

**Episcopal Churches of  
St. James' Stonehaven.  
St. Philip's Catterline.  
May 2020**



**Services at St. James' & St Philip's during  
May 2020**

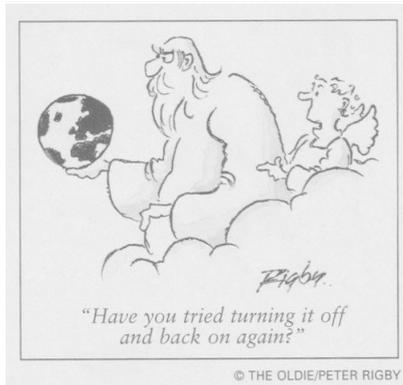
There will be no services at St James' and St Philip's until further notice.

As ordered by the government, both church buildings and the hall will be closed.



## DIARY NOTES May 2020

Day/Date	Event
3rd May 4th Sunday in Easter	There will be no services until further notice.
10th May 5th Sunday in Easter	
17th May 6th Sunday in Easter	
24th May Sunday after Ascension	
31st May Whitsunday	



From David

These are difficult times that we are living in, without a doubt. It is difficult to write this letter because I cannot know what the circumstances will be in a few weeks' time when you come to read it. Everything may have changed by then. We can only hope and pray that it will have changed for you for the better. However, in the interests of lifting your spirits, I thought it might be worthwhile giving you my take on some of the buzzwords that seem to be gripping our language.

Buzzword	Usage	Proper meaning	What they really mean is ..
Epicentre	'The epicentre of the outbreak'	The epicentre is the point on the surface of a sphere above a point within the sphere, used in describing the location of an earthquake.	The centre or the origin of the outbreak, but they want to make it much more dramatic.
Ramp Up	We're going to 'ramp up' production	A ramp is a sloping platform. It can be shallow or steep. Either way, it tells us nothing about how slow the earlier level or increase was, or when we will reach some reasonable target.	What they really mean is double or treble either the increase or the rate of increase. They don't know how much production is going to increase, or why it's not increasing, but will get there somehow, sometime. No comparative numbers of course. That would spoil the drama.
Tsunami	'A tsunami of patients'	A tsunami is a large sudden single wave, which overwhelms sea defences, after which the sea	The numbers (of patients) are going to rise, and might overwhelm our hospitals, but will they really leave devastation behind, and do we expect an equally sudden drop

		returns to normal, but leaves the coastal communities devastated.	back to normal? A tsunami sounds much more terrifying.
At pace	'We're developing this policy at pace'	A new use, not in the dictionary	What was the pace (i.e. speed) before this crisis? If they can do it quickly now, why couldn't they before?
Furlough	'If you put your workers on furlough, we will pay 80% of their pay'	Simply, leave of absence. Can be paid or unpaid. Usually used for the military or missionaries.	Just makes it sound more complicated, important and novel.
Stockpile	'We have a large stockpile'	Materials held in reserve for an emergency.	We have prepared for this event, which was unforeseen. And we will be eating tinned tomatoes, pasta and toilet rolls for the foreseeable future.
Partner	'We are working with our partner agencies'	A partner has to share a) the aims and b) the risks of the partnership, otherwise it is not a partnership, just some form of co-operation.	We are trying to work with other organisations, but finding it difficult because they will keep diverging from what we want them to do.

Lock down	The country is in lock down	The opposite of lock up.	We will tell you what you can't do and, whether or not it is the best thing, we will harangue you until you do it.
Social Distancing	'We have implemented social distancing'	Keeping at least 2 metres away from people not in our own household.	We can't be bothered defining it accurately (e.g. in the Peak District, on Brighton beach) so we'll use a new phrase.
Status update	I'm giving you today's status update'	A status is just the situation a one point in time. You can't update it.	Updating sounds more dynamic and important than 'the current/latest figures' or 'changes since yesterday'.

Why am I finding this difficult? Because of the poor use of words, and the over-dramatisation of events.

At the end of this month of May, we will be celebrating Whitsunday. The Gospel for that day describes how all the apostles and disciples starting to talk in many languages. It sounded chaotic. But the point was NOT to confuse, NOT to overdramatise (and they had something to dramatise, didn't they), but to speak so that everyone in the crowd could understand the message.

Perhaps we ought to follow their example, and change the words, the language, and make absolutely certain we understand the messages that are being given. Please don't take buzzwords as 'gospel'. They are not.

Only by understanding the messages accurately can we be disciples, people with discipline, following the message of our Lord Jesus Christ about hope and resurrection.

Watching the news now might never be the same. It wasn't for the disciples on that first Whitsunday. It shouldn't be for us.

## **Diocesan People News**

In the present time of church closure due to the coronavirus crisis, almost every aspect of church life has changed. It is a very hard and difficult time for all congregations, to be unable to gather and meet and worship. The church continues in very different forms: we are praying in our homes, connecting pastorally using telephones and some share worship by online methods. In the middle of all this difficult change, there continue to be changes in jobs, clergy posts and the people who make up the Diocese of Brechin.

### ***Clergy Appointments***

The Rev David Gordon, was licensed at the priest in charge of All Souls' Invergowrie and the interim priest of St Paul's Cathedral, Dundee, at a vestry meeting at St Paul's on Tuesday 17th March, just as restrictions on church activities were applied in Scotland. As the churches are now closed to the public and no worship is possible, David is leading on the pastoral care activities within the church communities and communication within those communities. A full service to celebrate the start of his ministries will be held once the church closures are reversed and the church communities can once again meet for worship.

The Rev Canon Kenneth Gibson, priest in charge of Holy Trinity Monifieth, will be licensed in June 2020 as the full time interim Rector of St Mary Magdalene's Dundee, following Rev David Shepherd's retirement on Easter Day 2020. Kenneth will leave Holy Trinity Monifieth vacant after six years of ministry in that charge. He will continue to serve as the Synod Clerk for the Diocese of Brechin. A service of licensing and celebration will take place once the lockdown restrictions have been lifted.

The Rev Roxanne Campbell, serving at St Ninian's Dundee as the Diocesan Curate, will move for her second year of curacy to St Mary Magdalene's Dundee. Her supervisor will be Kenneth Gibson. This move will take place in the autumn, once she has

been ordained priest.

Gary Clink, ordinand with St Mellitus College, based remotely out of the Diocese of London, will (subject to satisfactory reports) serve his self-supporting ministry curacy at St Mary's Arbroath, with the Rev Pete Mead as his training incumbent. Gary, who lives in Montrose, will be ordained deacon at Michaelmas (late Sep-early Oct).

### *New Bishop's PA*

Mr Elliott Scarfe has started as the PA to the Bishop and Diocesan administrator. In the current coronavirus lockdown he will be operating from home by receiving emails, answering phone calls remotely and accessing the cloud-based filing system. Elliott, who is a member of St Ninian's Dundee, will be getting to know the wider Diocese and Province over the next few weeks and months.

Please keep all these people and the charges and networks they serve in your prayers in the present time of loss and uncertainty. We trust in God, as disciples of Jesus Christ, that we will pass through this time and be able to gather once more in all of our church communities.

+Andrew

### **St James in 1949 - continued**

**5<sup>th</sup> August 1949:** Applications for the post of Rector were read from the Rev W A Stephens (Stranraer), Rev W N C Renner (Good Shepherd, Murrayfield, Edinburgh). The Secretary informed the Vestry that Rev J Gait (vicar of St Martin's Leeds) would consider the post if offered. At this point Mr Gait left the meeting. After some discussion it was decided not to take action in the meantime and the Secretary was asked to get in touch with the Bishop as to who he had in mind.

**19<sup>th</sup> August 1949:** It was decided that the Secretary should get in touch with the Rev K Dodds, at present taking duty at Broughty Ferry, to take duty at St James during October and possibly longer if he proved suitable. It was also agreed that the Rev W A Stephens of Stranraer should be asked to come and meet the Vestry. A letter from the Bishop was read out. He had been asked for his nomination but he did not give this in his letter. The Vestry decided to go ahead by themselves to fill the vacancy as soon as possible. Mr Dalgarno proposed that Mr C Grant be elected Secretary to the Vestry. Mr Grant accepted but did not want to take hold as long as the present secretary was in town (NB: Rev Jefferson had been acting as secretary for some time.). This was agreed.

**22<sup>nd</sup> Aug 1949:** The Vestry had an interview with the Rev W A Stephen, Stranraer.

**29<sup>th</sup> Aug 1949:** A letter was read from Rev Kenneth Dodds in which he stated that he would possibly be able to come to Stonehaven in October. His fees were £7 per week plus all expenses. It was decided that the Secretary should write to him and state that they could not afford his high fees. The decision of the new rector came before the Vestry. The Secretary read a letter from the Bishop in which he stated that the man he had in mind he did not know whether he would be free to come or willing to come. It was however the unanimous wish of the Vestry that the charge should be offered to Rev W A Stephens, at present priest in charge of St John's Stranraer. The Secretary was instructed to write to the Bishop with this wish as soon as possible as the matter was urgent.

It was agreed to pay the sum of 10/- to Mr John Archibald for his services as bugler in church at the war memorial unveiling on Sunday evening.

It was proposed by Mr J Dalgarno and seconded by Mr C Mutch that the Union Bank of Scotland be informed that Mr Charles

Grant had been appointed Secretary to the Vestry of St James and should be given authority to sign cheques in connection with the funds of the said church along with the Rector and Treasurer, any two signatories being valid.

(PS On a purely personal note I am pleased with the change in Secretary – Rev Jefferson’s notes are particularly hard to read – I read the note of 29<sup>th</sup> August about the Bugler as ‘Burglar’ which gives a whole new meaning to these particular minutes. DJF)

**22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 1949:** The Secretary read a letter from the Bishop in which he stated that he would not consent to the appointment of Rev W A Stephens to St James. A letter was drafted and sent in reply in which the Vestry requested the Bishop to send any names of likely candidates. The Secretary was also instructed to write to Rev Stephens informing him of the Bishop’s decision, It was also agreed that the Harvest Thanksgiving service should be held on Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October and that the services of the Rev E Sharpe should be procured for a further period.

**4<sup>th</sup> Oct 1949:** The Secretary read a letter from the Bishop in which he forwarded the names of 3 possible candidates. A letter was also received from the Very Rev J Sprott, Provost of St Paul’s Dundee, speaking very highly of the Rev E Hayes, meantime Rector of St John’s, Ballachulish. After careful consideration the Secretary was instructed to write to Rev Hayes to see if it would be possible to interview him at an early date.

**11<sup>th</sup> Oct 1949:** The meeting was called for the purpose of interviewing Rev E Hayes. The meeting was a most successful one and it was unanimously agreed by the Vestry that Rev Hayes be offered the charge of St James. The Bishop was telephoned with this result and was very satisfied. It was suggested by Major Innes that some funds be found whereby the Vestry could help to defray the cost of removal of Mr Hayes’ household effects from Ballachulish to Stonehaven. This was unanimously agreed.

**28<sup>th</sup> Nov 1949:** It was proposed by Mr A Christie and seconded by Mr W Christie that the trees at the south side of the church be removed. This work is to be done by a local wood merchant at no cost provided he is allowed to get the trees. The Secretary was instructed to get this in writing from the wood merchant. It was agreed that the Choir's Christmas treat be postponed until the arrival of the new Rector so that a social evening for choir and congregation would be held. The Secretary was instructed to write to the Bishop to find out if a definite date could be arranged for the institution. The Secretary was also asked to write to Rev Hayes to see if he would be in favour of the three Presbyterian Parsons being present at his institution. It was proposed that a Christmas Eve service be held again this year, commencing at 11.45 pm. Mr Dalgarno intimated that he had hopes of selling the table tennis table and, as it was serving no useful purpose meantime, it was agreed to sell. Mr Dalgarno was instructed to get in touch with the purchaser and to try and secure £15 for it but not less than £12-10-0. It was agreed that another appeal be made in the magazine for contributions to defray the amount still to be collected for payment of the war memorial.

**8<sup>th</sup> Dec 1949:** A letter from the Bishop was read by the Secretary. He intimated that the proposed Christmas Eve service be cancelled. In accordance with his lordship's wishes this the Vestry agreed to do. The Bishop also gave several dates when he would be free to institute Rev Hayes to the charge of St James. It was agreed that, subject to the approval of Mr Hayes, Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 1950 would be the most suitable date for the ceremony, held during the morning service. Mr A Christie and Mr W Christie agreed to go over the Rectory and report to the Vestry anything in the way of repairs.

Diane

## **Diocese of Brechin: Lockdown News Bulletin – 13th April 2020**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Alleluia, Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia! We have arrived at an Easter Day like no other, as we enter another week of 'lockdown' in Scotland. The unprecedented situation with the Covid-19 virus has changed all of our lives beyond recognition: and we need to be so, so mindful of those who are ill, those who care for them and all who work to allow us to be fed, cared for medically and cared for pastorally. We enter the Easter season with the joy of the resurrection, but after a Holy Week unlike any other in modern Christian history: unable to leave our homes, unable to gather and worship, but trying to be safe and protect the NHS.

Our church communities have prayed and worshipped apart (and online) – and we have travelled through Holy Week and to Easter Day. On that day, a very significant ministry has come to an end, with the retirement of the Rev David Shepherd from St Mary Magdalene, Dundee. A tribute to his ministry is included in this bulletin.

May I wish you every blessing this lockdown Easter Season: and as you know the love and grace of God in this joyous season, please pray for all those who suffer and are anxious: Stay at Home and Stay Safe!

### ***Online worship***

Many churches are continuing to offer online worship for congregation members and I would encourage you to find something that works for you. Watch out for Canon Kenneth Gibson's compline on Facebook (and tell me about things you find so we can share them).

The Scottish Episcopal Church continues to offer 'national'

worship, with details at:

<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/>

A good way to see the services in on YouTube – search for ‘Scottish Episcopal Church’ - <https://www.youtube.com/user/scottishepiscopal>. Copies of the liturgy are also posted.

### ***Diocesan renewal of ministry vows by “Zoom” - Maundy Thursday***

Over 40 of the clergy, lay readers and lay ministers of the Diocese gathered by ‘Zoom’ to renew their ministry vows in a special Diocesan service with Bishop Andrew at 11am on

Maundy Thursday.



The picture shows some of those taking part in the service as they appeared on the computer screen.

The ordained and lay leaders of the diocese are doing pastoral work and leading the spiritual life of our charges, so they renewed their commitment to this work, even at this strange and worrying time.

### ***The Rev David Shepherd – retirement from ministry at St Mary Magdalene, Dundee***

Easter Day 2020: the Rev David Shepherd retires after over 40 years as the Rector of St Mary Magdalene’s Scottish Episcopal Church, Dundee. Patricia and David start this new phase of life with the prayers and thanks of his charge and the diocese. The lockdown means celebrations in person will be delayed for a little while!

David started his ordained ministry as a curate at St Paul’s Cathedral, Dundee, in 1968, and his ministry at St Mary Magdalene started in 1979. After his retirement on Easter Day, Bishop Ted Luscombe (who was Provost for some of David’s

curacy and the bishop who instituted him to St Mary Magdalene's) wrote the following tribute:

Bishop Ted writes:

I can remember clearly the day of David Shepherd's Institution in June 1979. The church was dark and dismal, and many of the lights were not working. Neither he nor I could have imagined that it was the beginning of a ministry that would last more than forty years. It really was an act of faith.

The great pity is that we are not meeting in Saint Mary Magdalene's to mark his retirement. Otherwise, we could have seen for ourselves the miracle that, under his guidance, has transformed it into the place of beauty that it now is. But – of great importance though that is – the building is not the Church. The Church is people. And it was to their care that David was instituted all those years ago. Saint Peter was never licensed as Rector of a Scottish Episcopal Church, but he did receive from the Lord the same commission that is given to every minister of God's word and sacrament – "feed my lambs; tend my shearlings; feed my sheep."

So many christenings in Saint Mary Magdalene's! – The Baptismal Register shows no less than eight hundred and sixty lambs nourished and in their baptisms given the grace to lead Christian lives. And even in these recent months there has been more nourishment, in the shape of a splendidly produced volume of Bible stories for children.

And then the shearlings, those young and sometimes wayward, members of the flock. In those halcyon days in Saint Paul's Cathedral in the seventies. who could ever forget David's Sixty-Nine Club, with a hundred and fifty young people meeting in the hall every week! His six years as Chaplain to Anglican Students in the University of Dundee, some of whom have remained in touch.

"Feed my sheep." – The ordinary day-to-day of the flock. Visiting, teaching, preaching, comforting and ministering to

them to the end. Nearly thirteen hundred funerals, nearly all of them loved by their Shepherd, and loving in return.

Beyond Saint Mary Magdalene's, David's Hospital Chaplaincy has been exemplary. You knew that if he was asked to visit, it would be done. And then, Saint Serf's Retirement Home in Newport. His sixteen years Convenorship saw a major extension built, the books balanced, and a home of which the Church was proud.

A great Anglican priest of the nineteenth century, a contemporary of Bishop Forbes, memorably described the work of parish ministry in three words – Prayer, Grind, Love. That has been the mainstay of David Shepherd's ministry, immensely supported by the love and faith of his wife, Patricia.

Now he is retiring from the active (sometimes, perhaps, too active) ministry, we can echo the words of the Psalmist, "He fed them also with a faithful and a true heart, and ruled them prudently with all his power." – A good reason for thanksgiving, a cause for a *Te Deum laudamus*.

Bishop Andrew

### **In View**

In these somewhat strange days we have all been confined to our own homes and perhaps watching the news more often than usual, sometimes we have been driven to watching various things online and on YouTube. But how many of us have been entranced by the television news reporters and politicians recording from their own homes.

This has provided a fascinating insight into their lives because of the backgrounds to their reporting, usually bookshelves but occasionally curtains of surprising variety. I have spotted Jo Nesbo on one bookshelf, amongst the dictionaries, Shakespeare shoved unceremoniously on another. I forget what grim news they are reporting as I try and work out whose photograph is on the bookshelf and what is that book just by their left ear. You can sometimes assume they have small

children by an accumulation of plastic toys/children's art work and one showed several different workboxes piled somewhat haphazardly on the shelves – were they his or his wife's. I fear we will never know. In my house we have discussed which cookery books were on the televised shelf, and what was the fruit in the bowl in the kitchen – a lively discussion about whether we could see an apricot (politically incorrect as not in season) or an orange. Some bookshelves are tidy, the books filed strictly by size or colour, others are muddled, the books pushed sideways or anyhow. Does this point to particular traits in the owners?

Watching YouTube is not for me. It is something I would only do if I had already cleaned the oven, trimmed my toenails and rearranged the potatoes in the vegetable rack. YouTube is, for me, something to do with dancing kittens or people standing on their heads in a bucket of ice. I have watched one or two – people often get the angle wrong and then you can see up their nostrils – not a good look and not conducive to understanding their words although it does concentrate the mind on viral activities in these uncertain times.

I will stick to reading a book, or watching the news and trying to work out whether I agree with the décor, or their choices of reading matter, or whether the shelves look tidy, welcoming or haphazard.

I hope you all keep well, and if anyone can work out what is on Norman Smith's or Robert Peston's bookshelves, or the colour of Norman Smith's wall, please let me know.

Diane

## **Birthday Greetings**

I have already celebrated 4 family birthdays on FaceTime since the lockdown, my grand-daughter's, brother in law's, son's and sister's and I know of at least 5 members of the church family who have celebrated birthdays in April. Technology is wonderful and I

am so grateful to have been able to use it to speak to my family on their birthdays but not all of us have the technology or are able to use it so I would like to wish (in writing) to all lockdown birthday folk either a BELATED HAPPY BIRTHDAY or HAPPY BIRTHDAY if you are to celebrate yours soon.

Best wishes, Val

## **Diocese of Brechin: Lockdown News Bulletin - 20th April 2020**

Message from Dean Fay:

Dear Friends, Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

I saw a cartoon this week of a conversation between God and the devil. The devil said to God: *"Well, through Covid-19 I have managed to shut all of your churches. On the contrary said God: "I have managed to open one in every home."*

We have the rare opportunity to be blessed with an amazing selection of online worship, free and of every liturgical shade if we desire to do so. I have noticed that by the comments on Facebook many people who would not normally come to church have been tuning in. That is mission!

I recall a woman who had not long moved to Dundee being stopped at a set of traffic lights and commenting on a beautiful church. Sadly, she died very suddenly not long afterwards, and her family came to the church for her funeral. That is mission!

During this time of lockdown, we may be afraid that we are not "working" as we would normally "work" especially some Priests who may feel guilty. However, thinking back to last week where Bishop Ted wrote:

*"A great Anglican priest of the nineteenth century, a contemporary of Bishop Forbes, memorably described the work of parish ministry in three words – Prayer, Grind, Love."*

All of us, priests and people can pray during lockdown and as someone once famously said “Prayer is work and work is prayer.” That is mission!

Grind is the continual day to day work of living. All the boring jobs that we have been putting off, looking after family and the constant care for one another by phone, text, email and a myriad of other social media. That is mission!

The greatest love of all is that one lays down his life for his friends. Jesus’ resurrection is the most awe-inspiring event in the history of the world. It is not just that Jesus came back from the dead there are other occasions in Scripture where that happened but the unique thing about Jesus’ resurrection is that it is permanent— Jesus is still alive! Jesus overcame death forever to give us real hope. Death no longer has the finality it once had. Like Jesus, we will all die but because of Jesus, all who follow him will one day be raised back to life. That is mission!

Be encouraged to do mission – pray, grind and love. Stay at Home and Stay Safe!

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Many churches are continuing to offer online worship for congregation members and all are encouraged to find something that works for you. Please tell us about things you find so we can share them. The Scottish Episcopal Church continues to offer ‘national’ worship each Sunday at 11am, with details at: <https://www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/> A good way to see the services in on YouTube – search for ‘Scottish Episcopal Church’ - <https://www.youtube.com/user/scottishepiscopal>. Copies of the liturgy are also posted.

## ***David Gordon – Remote Chaplain Support to Louisa Jordan Hospital***

David Gordon been asked by the newly appointed Lead Chaplain at the Louisa Jordan Covid-19 hospital at the SECC to provide remote Pastoral Supervision for the Chaplains who will be working there. With Bishop Andrew’s permission he has accepted.

## ***Lockdown Food Projects – for self-isolation and ongoing food poverty***

There are many Dundee projects to help with food poverty and food access issues during lockdown. Faith in Community Dundee are collating a list of projects that can help. From their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/FaithinCommunityDundee> : To hopefully make things easier, information on all food provision in Dundee can now be found at the link below. It covers every ward - Lochee, West End, Strathmartine, Coldsides, Maryfield and City Centre, East End, North East, The Ferry, and Foodbanks and projects which operate city wide.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zluOXDpGyq7wZ2L3r83qXmy4\\_xVg550BTaFNJQVGWjk/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zluOXDpGyq7wZ2L3r83qXmy4_xVg550BTaFNJQVGWjk/edit?usp=sharing)

SEC involvement: Canon Kerry Dixon is looking after one of these projects from St Luke’s Church – Rev Roxanne Campbell is helping Neil Campbell and the Rock Solid team on their project. Please share and/or use the information at the link above.

Angus, Kincardineshire, Perthshire: do you have any information about similar help available in those areas? If you know, please pass this on so it can be shared.

## ***Dee Gates RIP – Member of the Cathedral & Former Diocesan Architect***

Long-time member of the Cathedral community Dee Gates died suddenly at the end of March. Dee was very active in the Cathedral community and much loved. Before transition, she originally trained

as an architect and had been both a community architect in Dundee and Diocesan Architect. As such, she had worked on many projects in the Church and in the community over the years. Her funeral took place on Friday 17th April in Perth Crematorium. It was led by the Very Revd. Hunter Farquarson, Provost of St. Ninian's Cathedral in Perth. It was live streamed, so some of us were able to participate remotely. Our thoughts are with Dee's son, Phillip, and his family. We pray for them and, of course, for Dee. We will have a memorial Service for Dee in the Cathedral when we are able.

### *Obituary: The Rev Canon John Rogan RIP*

Canon John Rogan, formerly Provost of St Paul's Cathedral, Dundee, has died in Bristol (April 2020). News of funeral/memorial arrangements will be shared once received.

Canon Rogan was born in 1928. He served curacies in Manchester and Sheffield Diocese, serving as an industrial chaplain during the latter. He then served as the secretary of the Church of England Industrial Commission from 1961 to 1966. In 1966 he was appointed Vicar of Leigh in the Diocese of Manchester, then Rural Dean in 1971 and an honorary Canon of Manchester Cathedral in 1975. In 1978 he was appointed to be Provost of St Paul's Cathedral Dundee, following the departure to the USA of Donald Guthrie (who has been Bishop Ted's successor as Provost). John led the cathedral for five years, working with the team of curates (including at various times David Shepherd, Hugh Magee, Iain Hardie, Jonathan Eades, Joe Morrow and Kathleen Dall (as a deaconess)). A major appeal for restoration of the cathedral fabric was launched in his time and he was also the Provost who launched in the cathedral the 'Orange Book' Experimental Liturgy in Modern English, subsequently revised to become the 1982 'Blue Book'. John left Dundee in 1983 to be residentiary canon at Bristol Cathedral and Social Responsibility Advisor for Bristol Diocese. He remained in that post for ten years until retirement in 1993.

Please keep John and his family and friends in your prayers. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

St James', Stonehaven and St Philip's, Catterline  
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## GROUP CONVENORS

<b>GROUP CONVENORS</b>	
Property	David Fleming
Communication	Peter Sharp
Music	David Fleming
Social	Val Cadd
Lay Reader emeritus	Arma Iles
Weekly Pew Sheet	Diana Peters
Hall Management	David Fleming
Protection of Vulnerable Groups Officer	Irene Paterson
Vestry	Peter Sharp

**The copy deadline for the May Newsletter is Sunday 25th May 2020**

**Reminders will not be sent out.**

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