



Cend Mile Fàilte ~ A Warm Welcome

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL SERVICES AND EVENTS

Every Sunday	10.15am	Cathedral Sung Eucharist
2nd & 4th Sundays	5pm	Fellowship @ 5 Informal café worship in the Narthex
3rd Sundays	5.15pm	Traditional Evensong
Wednesdays	11am	Shorter Cathedral Eucharist
Thursdays	10am	Morning Prayer

ST JAMES ARDBRECKNISH Harvest Eucharist	OCTOBER 11 @ 11am	Canon Tony Sparham
EPISCOPAL EUCHARIST IN KILBRANDON	OCTOBER 4 @ 3.30pm	Provost Margi
ST COLUMBA'S, GRULINE, MULL Service of the Word	OCTOBER 4 @ 11am	Ian Sandell

SUNDAY OCTOBER 4 WILD HARVEST & ST FRANCIS

10.15am Sung Harvest Eucharist: Provost Margi

Children's activities / refreshments

Harvest Gifts to Hope ~ please see page 2 for list

3.30pm Kilbrandon Eucharist

Wed Oct 7 11am Shorter Eucharist with coffee with Provost Margi

12.45pm Mens Lunch @ Wetherspoons (see p 2)

7pm Cathedral Vestry — Macfarlane Room

Thu Oct 8 10am Morning Prayer

10.30-11.30am Coffee, Cake and Chat

2—3pm Oban Ministers meet in the Narthex

7pm Cathedral Choir practice

Sat Oct 10 9.30am Dad's & Toddlers (see p2)

10.30am Provincial Youth Pilgrims in Cathedral with Margi

SUNDAY OCTOBER 11

10.15am Sung Eucharist marking Prisons Sunday

Preacher: Rev'd Beki Wakeling (Prison Chaplain)

Children's activities / refreshments

2.30pm OMS Concert (see p4)

5pm Fellowship @ 5 ~ The shoes of peace

CELEBRATING OUR

WILD HARVEST

FESTIVAL & ST FRANCIS



PRaise BE YOU, MY LORD, THROUGH OUR SISTER,
MOTHER EARTH WHO SUSTAINS AND GOVERNS US
ST FRANCIS



GIFTS FOR HOPE KITCHEN

ST JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

Fellowship @ 5



Every 2nd and 4th Sundays
5pm
St John's Narthex, George Street

Faith Music Prayer Refreshments

DATES

Mon Oct 12	1pm	Interring Ashes of Canon Ian Walter at Pennyfuir.
Wed 14	12.45	Provincial Youth Pilgrims in Cathedral with Margi
Thu Oct 22	1.30pm	Trefoil Guild Service with tea
Fri 23rd—Nov 28		Provost Margi on Short Sabbatical
Mon Nov 30	6pm	St Andrews Meal in Narthex (sign up sheet soon)
Sat Dec 5	tbc	Gallery Carols Workshop (sign up sheet soon)

GOING DEEPER IN FAITH

Soul Keeping **CANCELLED**

Sadly, due to Canon Paul being unwell—these two dates **Tues Oct 6th** at Balnakeil & **Thurs Oct 8th** in the Narthex **are cancelled**.

We hope to rearrange them soon but send Canon Paul every blessing and our best wishes for a swift recovery.

REACHING OUT



Hope Kitchen
New Hope & Green Shoots

HARVEST CELEBRATION

in support of Hope Kitchen

Donate items to help feed people in Oban this Autumn and Winter

- Fresh veg for soup: onions, carrots, parsnips, squashes, potatoes
- Festive treats: Boxes of Biscuits & Chocolates, Mini Christmas puds, Socks, Toiletry Gift Sets,
- Other handy bits: Coffee, Diluting Juice, Tinned Veg, Tinned Meals, Toothpaste, Shower Gel, UHT milk

Harvest Festival
St John's Cathedral
October 4
St James Ardbrecknish
October 11

hopekitchen.org.uk Charity Number SC041770

CATHEDRAL LIFE



St John's Cathedral

Coffee, Cake and Chat

Every Thursday
10.30am - 11.30am
Everyone Welcome



SHOE BOX APPEAL 2026

A simple shoebox packed with love and care can mean so much. Leaflets with labels and further

information are ready to collect in the narthex. Some empty shoeboxes available...

Please BRING COMPLETED BOXES TO THE CATHEDRAL from October 4th until October 25th



Wednesday
October 7th
@ 12.45pm at Wetherspoons for **Chat** **Ciabattas & Company...**

Come and enjoy and bring a pal too if you want.
Contact Paul Watson:
07943026773
if you need more info
.....otherwise just turn up!
Now on 1st Wed of every month



ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

Dads & Toddlers

anyone can be cool, but awesome takes practice.

NEXT Oct 10th

Bairns...banter...and bacon rolls.
Second Saturday of every month
9.30am-11am
St John's Cathedral Hall (behind Coasters)
Contact: Paul 07943026773 for more information



Sharing Faith - Telling our Stories— Save the dates....

Two relaxed sessions to explore some of the ways we can tell our stories of faith more confidently and discover how God has moved in our lives.

Thursday Nov 12th —12noon in the Cathedral—bring a packed lunch

Thursday November 19th - 12noon in the Cathedral—bring a packed lunch.



An Cuilidh Cathair-eaglaise THE CATHEDRAL RETREAT

NOURISHING OUR SOULS AND HELPING NATURE FLOURISH

Thank you so much to those who have volunteered—Ness has your details and will be in touch in a few weeks to start this work and lay out a plan for the coming years.

EUCCHARIST READINGS

Joel 2: 21-27 Matthew 6: 25-33

HYMNS

NEH 259 Come ye thankful people come
Sheet Lord you created
SP 109 Fill your hearts
NEH 262 We plough the fields
Communion: Sheet Praise and Thanksgiving

COLLECT

God, in whom all things are possible, You crown the year with your goodness and give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, so that none may hunger, none may thirst, and all may cherish the gifts of your creation, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

ST FRANCIS

CANTICLE OF CREATION

O Most High, all-powerful, good Lord God, to you belong praise, glory, honour and all blessing.

Be praised, my Lord, for all your creation and especially for our Brother Sun, who brings us the day and the light; he is strong and shines magnificently.
O Lord, we think of you when we look at him.

Be praised, my Lord, for Sister Moon, and for the stars which you have set shining and lovely in the heavens.

Be praised, my Lord, for our Brothers Wind and Air and every kind of weather by which you, Lord, uphold life in all your creatures.

Be praised, my Lord, for Sister Water, who is very useful to us, and humble and precious and pure.

Be praised, my Lord, for Brother Fire, through whom you give us light in the darkness: he is bright and lively and strong.

Be praised, my Lord, for Sister Earth, our Mother, who nourishes us and sustains us, bringing forth fruits and vegetables of many kinds and flowers of many colours.....

'TO SEE A WORLD IN A GRAIN OF SAND AND A HEAVEN IN A WILD FLOWER,
HOLD INFINITY IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND AND ETERNITY IN AN HOUR.'

William Blake



DIOCESAN PILGRIM PRAYER

God of the pilgrim path, you have walked with your people through the ages: across sea and mountain, through silence and song.

Bless the Diocese of Argyll and The Isles

its islands and shores, its churches and people.

Renew in us the spirit of pilgrimage:

courage to set out, faith to keep walking,

and joy in the encounters along the way.

May our journey together reveal your Kingdom

and our life together reflect your love,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

TO FOLLOW OUR PATTERN OF DAILY PRAYER:

MORNING, EVENING OR NIGHT—go to

<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/daily-offices/> and open the link. This offers the full service to read, daily readings etc.

FOR DETAILS OF SAINTS DAYS/ CELEBRATIONS go to :

<https://www.seccalendar.org.uk/> open link on the day

PRAYERS

Province: Primus Mark. Diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness

Diocese: Bishop David; Provost Margi; Canon Paul—Canon Missioner and Canon Pastor; Emily D'Silva—Cathedral Ordinand in Training
Rev'd Tom Ebbens - Chaplain R.N. St Columba, Isle of Gruline

Anglican Communion: Zanzibar, our companion diocese: Bp Michael Hafidh; Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Porvoo Church of England: Diocese of Liverpool, vacancy – Bishop of Warrington, Bp Ruth Worsley (interim bishop)

Church in Wales: Diocese of Monmouth, Archbp Cherry Vann
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of

Haderslev, Bp Marianne Christiansen

World and local community

We pray for wise governance here and around the world, integrity and honesty, care and respect for all people.....

We pray for all who are fearful of threats to our future and stresses in our present...that we may know peace & hope in God

We pray for all who are unwell: for those we know awaiting diagnosis or undergoing treatment... for healing and restoration

We pray for those who have lost hope in life and feel troubled or distressed...for trust in God to strengthen and calm our souls...

We pray with all who mourn, that they may know comfort and hope: and we pray that all who have passed into your eternal Kingdom may rest in peace and rise in glory.

DAILY REFLECTING using the Pilgrim Prayer Card

In this Season of Creation until October 4th, the Feast of St Francis and our Harvest Festival, we explore **how we can listen better to God's voice in how we care for creation** amidst the complexities and challenges of the world. How can the Cathedral, how can we in our daily lives, tell of the difference faith makes to our care for the world of which we are a part.

Giving thanks for creation, focusing on all that is around us....all those we have encountered in the day

Reflecting on how God's light shines through creation—where we gave seen God at work in our everyday life

Pausing to think how we might have impeded God's creative work and where we can enhance it

What can we do tomorrow to celebrate and nurture creation.

OBAN MUSIC
@ ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL
GEORGE STREET
WELCOMES

Gabriele Sutkutė
Piano

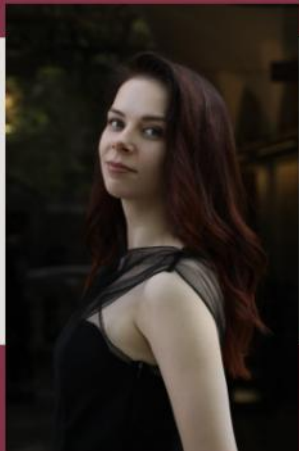
Music by:
J.P. Rameau C. Debussy F. Liszt
J. Brahms F. Poulenc K. Szymanowski

**SUNDAY
OCT 11TH @ 2.30 PM**

Tickets £15 on the door (Card or cash)
No charge is made for children and young people attending our concerts

Chamber Music Scotland Refreshments during interval
<https://www.obanmusicsociety.com/concerts/>

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ORGAN APPEAL FUNDRAISING

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, OBAN

ORGAN FUND-APPEAL
THE LAST £10,000

INCREDIBLE TOTAL...
Adding together all the recitals and events over 12 months of fundraising—with some incredible support and remarkable donations (many anonymous) we have reached the spectacular total of—**£54,762.62**
We have a concert (details to come) and Canon Ian's 2027 calendar which he prepared before he died...plus Christmas cards, Recipe Books and Cathedral garments etc...we hope to top the mark before Christmas! Thank you so much to all who have contributed in any way!

UNIQUE CATHEDRAL LOGO
T-shirts... Polos... sweatshirts... micro-fleece
Ordered through Ness Anderson

Tee's £20	Polo shirts £20
Sweatshirt £28	Fleeces £30




CONTACTS AND CATHEDRAL INFORMATION

CATHEDRAL VESTRY MEMBERS 2026 OSCR: SC016664 EX-OFFICIO

Provost as Chair
Rectors Warden—Ken Oxland—*plus Assisting Finance*
Peoples Warden & Synod Lay Rep—Colum Scott
Alt Synod Lay Rep—Daniel Stollard
Lead Property—Ken and Colum
Secretary—Margaret Sime
Observing Ordinand: Emily D'Silva
Observing Clergy staff: Canon Paul Watson

CONSTITUENT MEMBERS

Members: Mark Evetts, Jenny McEvoy, Joy Blakeney,
John Murphy, Catriona Petit
Safeguarding: Catriona Petit
Assisting: Mel Crossley (not vestry)

WAYS of GIVING to the CATHEDRAL

We are so grateful to all who give to the Cathedral to enable our ministry

BANK: RBS, George St, Oban Sort Code: 83-26-04
Acc: 00178722 St John's Cathedral Oban

For overseas donations

IBAN is: GB46RBOS83260400178722
IBAN BIC (SWIFT) RBOSGB2L

For BACS gifts please enter name or 'anonymous donation' to help with book-keeping.

CAF—Charities Aid Foundation

We are now registered for direct payments through CAF—as 'Cathedral of St John the Divine' find under that title or at
<https://www.cafonline.org/system/donate?dbid=84ae628419dd4585a209b68bfbcb8f5ac>

STEWARDSHIP / GIFT AID contact Susannah Hughes
Via website contact page

The Cathedral can now take **CARD PAYMENTS**

Our Card Reader can take Weekly collection, donations or donate to Coffee by card. Please do give it a go! It will be available on arrival and at coffee.

CONTACT DETAILS & INFORMATION

CATHEDRAL PROVOST & DIOCESAN DEAN

The Very Rev'd Canon Margi Campbell *Non work day Friday*

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Cathedral Priest Pastor and Diocesan Canon Missioner

The Rev'd Canon Paul Watson

Please contact Paul if you would like a visit or home communion

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Assisting Priest: (NSM) The Rev'd Tom Ebbens Chapn RN (Active)

Cathedral Ordinand: Emily D'Silva— contact at

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Cathedral Director of Music: James Campbell contact via

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For information of services and church life at ST COLUMBA'S,
GRULINE—please see our webpage....

<http://www.grulinechurch.org.uk/services.html>

For information of services and church life at ST JAMES

ARDBRECKNISH —

<https://orchyandawe.co.uk/st-james-church-ardbrecknish-pa33>