

**SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
DIOCESE OF GLASGOW AND GALLOWAY  
ST NINIAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, CASTLE DOUGLAS**

**Summary of Minutes of a Vestry Meeting held in the Rectory on 20th January 2012**

• **Rector's report**

- Increased attendances for Advent/Christmas services also reflected nationwide.
- Larger organisation required for **transport to church** - possibility of minibus to be considered.
- The Rector is working with the Bishop and **Wigtownshire** congregations with a view to regenerating ministry. **Please pray for a new Rector there.**

• **Treasurer's report**

- The treasurer reported on the accounts - all is well.

• **Secretary's report**

- We have permission under canon 35 for the new stained glass windows either side of the chancel.

• **Property convenor's report**

- '**Smartwater**' has been purchased to mark roof lead to discourage thieves. (Insurance requirement).
- Possibility of **photovoltaic cells** to save on heating costs and generate income. (Diocesan request) to be explored.
- **Problems with hall heating** -
  - leak has been rectified,
  - heating imbalance - cause identified, soon to be rectified.

• **Charitable Giving 2012**

Ten charities from sixteen considered have been chosen; each will receive £350.

1. Family Holiday Association
2. Mercy Ships
3. ORBIS (Blindness prevention in developing countries)
4. Dumfries and Galloway Mental Health
5. South of Scotland Wildlife Hospital (based in Barony college)
6. Lymphoma Association
7. Alzheimers Scotland
8. USPG (Anglicans in world mission)
9. RnR (Rest and Respite for armed forces, based in Galloway)
10. Lung UK

• **Pilgrimage to the Cathedral in Glasgow**

**See poster** - a coach may be laid on for the region if there is enough interest. Please fill in attached list if interested by the 12th March.

• **Queen's Jubilee**

This will be marked in a fashion yet to be determined.

• **Authorised Lay Ministry**

Jenny Wright will be added to the list of Chalice Bearers.