

## **Dunblane Cathedral's congregation welcomes new minister Rev Colin Renwick**

Mr Renwick takes over from Rev Colin McIntosh, who retired after 25 years in Dunblane last year, and comes to the cathedral after almost 18 years as minister at Jordanhill Parish Church in Glasgow. Born in Aberfeldy in Perthshire, he studied music at Glasgow University and divinity at Aberdeen. Before becoming minister at Jordanhill, he was assistant minister at Trinity Church in Rothesay from 1988-89 and minister at Maybole Old Church in Ayrshire from 1989-96.

"I'm very sorry to leave Jordanhill but I'm looking forward to starting at Dunblane," said Mr Renwick. "It's a big challenge and I'm looking forward to getting to know the people."

Away from the church, Mr Renwick is a keen musician and plays the organ - but says that Dunblane Cathedral isn't getting a "two-for-one deal. "I don't think the cathedral's organist Matthew Beetschen has anything to worry about," he laughed.

Mr Renwick was formally inducted as minister of Dunblane Cathedral on Thursday 3 April. The induction was followed by a social to welcome him and his wife Eilidh, a GP in Glasgow.

He was "preached in" on Sunday, April 6 by Rev Robert Johnston, a retired minister from Temple Anniesland Parish Church in Glasgow and now a member of Jordanhill Parish Church.

In the recent issue of the cathedral's magazine, Session Clerk Beth Hamilton said: "What better time for Colin and Eilidh to come to join us than just before Easter - Easter when the church rejoices, a time of new beginnings, new growth, new life. "A time when we feel ready, invigorated, to face new challenges, to step out in faith on the journey ahead."