



SPICe Fact Sheet

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Contributors to Time for Reflection: Session 6

This Fact Sheet lists all contributors to Time for Reflection from the beginning of Session 6. It is arranged by date with the most recent date first and includes the name and religious affiliation of the contributor, additional information about the contributor and a link to the Official Report.

Time for Reflection is normally the first item of business at a meeting of the Parliament each week, on a Tuesday afternoon. A speaker addresses the meeting for up to 4 minutes. Invitations to address the Parliament at Time for Reflection are issued by the Presiding Officer on advice from the Parliamentary Bureau. The pattern of speakers reflects the balance of beliefs in Scotland (based on the Census). In general, nominations for contributors are proposed to the Presiding Officer by MSPs or by the religions or faiths directly. There have been occasions when individuals have written to the Presiding Officer with nominations for contributors.

14 March 2023

[Rev Father Gregory Umunna](#) (Roman Catholic)
Parish Priest, St Stephen's Church, Blairgowrie

7 March 2023

[Mollie Hughes](#) (Non-Faith)

28 February 2023

[Rev Mike Gargrave](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister, Thornliebank Parish Church

21 February 2023

[Dr Rose Reilly MBE](#) (Non-Faith)

7 February 2023

[Carol Wilde](#) (Mormon)
Communication Director Scotland, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

31 January 2023

[Rev Fr Matthew Carlin](#) (Roman Catholic)
Parish Priest of the St Francis of Assisi Church, Port Glasgow

24 January 2023

[Holly Cameron and Aidan Coleman](#) (Non-Faith)
Holocaust Educational Trust Ambassadors

17 January 2023

[Rev Tom Kisitu](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister, Church of Scotland

10 January 2023

[The Rev Susan Henderson](#) (United Reform Church)
Minister, Inverclyde United Reform Churches

20 December 2022

[The Rev Dr Bruce Ritchie](#) (Church of Scotland)
Church of Scotland Minister and Tutor in Scottish Church History, Highland Theological College, University of the Highlands and Islands

13 December 2022

[Rev Neil Gardner](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister, Canongate Kirk

6 December 2022

[Gareth Edwards](#) (Christian)
Perth Gospel Hall

29 November 2022

[Rev Anikó Schütz Bradwell](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister of Humbie linked with Yester, Bolton and Saltoun Church

22 November 2022

[Mgr. John A. Hughes](#) (Roman Catholic)
Parish Priest, St. Joseph's, Helensburgh
Former Rector of the Pontifical Scots College, Rome

15 November 2022

[Lucy McKee](#) (Non-Faith)
Membership Ambassador for ENABLE

8 November 2022

[Dr Maureen Sier](#) (Interfaith)
Director, Interfaith Scotland

1 November 2022

[Sophie Reid](#) (Non-Faith)
Member and Chair, Scottish Youth Parliament

25 October 2022

[Rev David J Nixon](#) (Christian)
Associate Pastor, Carrubers Christian Centre

4 October 2022

[Dr Mary Njoki](#) (Non-Faith)
Research Fellow, University of Stirling

27 September 2022

[Chris Jewell](#) (Christian)
Chief Executive Officer, Ascension Trust (Scotland)

20 September 2022

[The Rev Neil Gardner](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister, Canongate Kirk

6 September 2022

[The Rev. Andrew Agnew](#) (Christian)
Pastor, The Livingroom Church

28 June 2022

[Theo Ogbhemhe](#) (Non-Faith)
Teacher of Religious Moral and Philosophical Studies at Kirkwall Grammar School

21 June 2022

[Angela Johnson](#) (Humanist)
Celebrant of the Humanist Society Scotland

14 June 2022

[Elaine Duncan](#) (Christian)
Chief Executive of Scottish Bible Society

7 June 2022

[John Loughton BEM](#) (Non-Faith)
CEO of Dare2Lead and Founder of Scrان Academy

31 May 2022

[Mike Pilavachi MBE](#) (Church of England)
Senior Pastor, Soul Survivor, Watford Church

24 May 2022

[Lorraine McMahon](#) (Roman Catholic)
Head of Community Outreach England, Scotland and Wales, Aid to the Church in Need

17 May 2022

[Rev Sarah Brown](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister at Saint Machar's Cathedral

10 May 2022

[Rev Alan Kimmitt](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister at St Columba's Parish Church of Scotland, Glenrothes

3 May 2022

[Rev Canon Sarah Shaw](#) (Episcopal)
Rector of Christ Church, Falkirk

26 April 2022

[Billy Kay](#) (Non-Faith)
Writer and Broadcaster

19 April 2022

[The Rt Hon Lord Wallace of Tankerness QC](#) (Church of Scotland)
Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland

29 March 2022

[Rev Sheila Moir](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister at Dryburgh District Churches, Scottish Borders

22 March 2022

[Mr Antoni Pia](#) (Non-Faith)
Youth Development Worker at Tulloch

15 March 2022

[Rev John Murdoch](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister at St John's Kirk of Perth and St Leonard's in the Fields, Perth

8 March 2022

[Joanna Butterfield MBE](#) (Non-Faith)
Parasport Athlete

1 March 2022

[Father Jim Duggan](#) (Roman Catholic)
Parish Priest at St Charles Roman Catholic Church, Paisley

22 February 2022

[Pall Singh](#) (Non-Faith)
Project Director of Building Bridges

8 February 2022

[Hazel Peters](#) (Non-Faith)
College Student in Greenock

1 February 2022

[Rev Ronald Matandakufa](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister at Kirk of the Holy Rood, Grangemouth

25 January 2022

[Sarah Bateman and Andrei Martin](#) (Non-Faith)
Holocaust Educational Trust Ambassadors

18 January 2022

[Josh Kennedy MSYP](#) (Non-Faith)
Outgoing Chair of The Scottish Youth Parliament

11 January 2022

[Rev Mairi Perkins](#) (Church of Scotland)

Minister at Ardoch linked with Blackford Parish Church, Perthshire

21 December 2021

[Rev David Burt](#) (Church of Scotland)

Minister at Old Gourrock and Ashton Church

14 December 2021

[Canon Gerard Tartaglia](#) (Roman Catholic)

Parish Priest at Our Holy Redeemer's and St Margaret's Church, Whitecrock, Clydebank

7 December 2021

[Lee Mcleman](#) (Mormon)

President of the Aberdeen Scotland Stake of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

30 November 2021

[Sally Fraser](#) (Christian)

Edinburgh City Centre Chaplain for Workplace Chaplaincy Scotland

23 November 2021

[Rev Raheel Arif](#) (Church of Scotland)

Minister at Denny Old and Haggs Parishes, Falkirk

16 November 2021

[Rev Dr James Connolly](#) (Church of Scotland)

Minister at Dundee West Parish Church of Scotland

9 November 2021

[Aparna Ramesh](#) (Interfaith)

Interfaith Scotland Development Officer and Secretary of the Hindu Temple of Scotland, Rutherglen

2 November 2021

[Rev David Coleman](#) (Church of Scotland)

Eco-Chaplain at Eco-Congregation Scotland

26 October 2021

[Rev Kipchumba Too](#) (Church of Scotland)

Minister at Denny Westpark Church of Scotland

5 October 2021

[Ani Rinchen Khandro](#) (Buddhist)

Director of Kagyu Samye Dzong Edinburgh Meditation Centre and Honorary Buddhist Chaplain at the University of Edinburgh Chaplaincy Service

28 September 2021

[Rev Elsie Macrae](#) (Church of Scotland)

Minister of St Andrew's Parish Church (linked with Kirkpatrick Juxta and Wamphray Parish Churches), Moffat

21 September 2021

[Prof Sir Geoff Palmer](#) (Non-Faith)
Chancellor of Heriot-Watt University

14 September 2021

[Linda Britton](#) (Humanist)
Celebrant of the Humanist Society Scotland

7 September 2021

[Rev Hayley Cohen](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister of Northesk Parish Church, Musselburgh

31 August 2021

[Morven Lyon](#) (Humanist)
Trustee of the Humanist Society Scotland

22 June 2021

[Rev Dr Jenny Wright](#) (Episcopal)
Convenor of the Church in Society Committee and Associate Priest of the Christ Church, Morningside

15 June 2021

[Rev Andy Philip](#) (Episcopal)
Chaplain of St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Edinburgh

8 June 2021

[Rev Anna Rodwell](#) (Church of Scotland)
Minister of Kelso North and Ednam Parish Church, Scottish Borders

1 June 2021

[Rev Canon David Richards](#) (Episcopal)
Rector of St Paul's and St George's Church, Edinburgh

Summary of contributors to Time for Reflection

Please note that there can be more than one contributor at Time for Reflection so the totals may not match.

Religion/Faith/Belief	2021-22	2022-23	Total
Buddhist	1	0	1
Christian	1	5	6
Church of England	0	1	1
Church of Scotland	14	7	21
Episcopal	4	0	4
Humanist	2	1	3
Interfaith	1	1	2
Mormon	1	1	2
Non-Faith	8	8	16
Roman Catholic	2	4	6
United Reform	0	1	1
Total	34	29	63

Gender	2021-22	2022-23	Total
Female	15	13	28
Male	20	16	36
Total	35	29	64

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