

WELCOME TO KIRK OF KEITH: ST. RUFUS, BOTRIPHNE, AND GRANGE

TODAY, SUNDAY, 5 February
10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)
11.45 am – Botriphnie

Rev Alastair Gray has been appointed as our Interim Moderator and he can be contacted on 886840 or on email at agray@ChurchofScotland.org.uk

Rev David Whyte has been appointed as our locum and he can be contacted on (01343) 870667 or email whytedj@btinternet.com

PASTORAL VISITING

As Locum Minister, I am happy to visit folk of the congregations who are ill in Hospital or at home. However, as I don't live in the parishes I do need to be kept informed as to those who are in need of a visit. So please let me know. There is a book at the door for recording details or you can phone (01343) 870667 David Whyte

TODAY'S ORDER OF SERVICE - Is to be found on additional sheet.

THIS WEEK: -

THIS MONDAY (6 February)

The Guild meets at 7.30 pm in the Hall when Mrs Janet Benson will be giving a slide show and talk on China. Can Guild members please remember to bring a raffle prize.

THIS TUESDAY (7 February)

The Bible Study Group meets in the Hall at 7.30 for 8 pm. The passage to be studied is Mark 2:1-11 - The Son of Man Forgiving Sins.

THIS THURSDAY (9 February)

The "Fly and Friendship Club" meets in the Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Pat Winton, Eileen Leighton and Eleanor Leith.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) SUNDAY, 12 February

10.15 am – Family Service at St Rufus (Sunday Club on holiday but encouraged to come to church with their parents)
11.45 am – Grange
7.00 pm – Youth Group

(b) "Fly and Friendship Club" – Thursday, 16 February - Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Joan MacBeath, Anne Cameron and Allana

(c) The Guild will hold a Coffee Morning on Saturday, 18 February in the Hall. The Hall will be open on Friday 6.30 pm -7.30 pm for setting up.

(d) SUNDAY, 19 February

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)
11.45 am – Botriphnie
2.30 pm - Weston View Service with rota of Steve and Joan MacBeath, Isabel Russell, Heather Streeter, Colin and Pat Winton (or their deputies), faithful friends.

(e) The Guild meets on Monday, 20 February in the Hall when Jackie Kersley will be talking about Linus Quilts for Girls.

(f) The Bible Study Group meets on Tuesday, 21 February in the Hall at 7.30 for 8 pm. The passage to be studied is Mark 2:13-17 (Not the Righteous but Sinners)

(g) "Fly and Friendship Club" – Thursday, 23 February - Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Rachael Davidson, Isobel Gillies and Colin Winton

(h) The Annual Stated Meeting is on Wednesday, 1 March at 7 pm in the Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

1) Bible Study meetings take place in the Hall and start with a cuppa and a blether at 7.30 pm with the discussion starting at 8 pm. The dates are as follows (all on Tuesdays):

7/3/17 - Mark 2: 24-28 (The Sabbath for Man)

21/3/17 - Mark 6:35-43 (Not dead but sleeping)

4/4/17 - Luke 5: 33-39 (The Old is Better)

18/4/17 - Matthew 19:12 (Eunuchs for the Kingdom's Sake)

2) World Mission Stamp Project

During 2017, used stamps will be collected to raise funds for Church of South India's (CSI) eco-spirituality centre, Othara, near Kerala. Stamps can be dropped into the box at the door.

3) 27 February - 11 March - Fairtrade Fortnight - Theme "It's time to put Fairtrade in your break"

4) Eileen Leighton has resigned from the post of Christian Aid convenor. Many thanks to her for all her hard work and commitment. Unfortunately, this now means that we are looking for a new convenor. If any member of the congregation is willing to take on this roll please contact Nicola Smith.

5) Refugee Catastrophe

Scottish Faiths Action for Refugees is a joint faiths initiative, involving a number of Scottish Churches and the main representative Ecumenical, Jewish, Muslim and Interfaith groups. Their website www.sfar.org.uk links to useful information about the UK immigration & asylum process, and information what specific local authorities are doing to assist refugees and how you can get involved. Also see Moray Supports Refugees www.morayrefugees.org.uk or find them on Facebook.

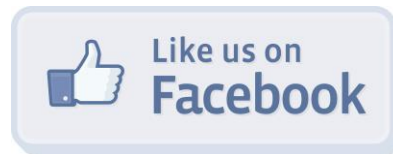
6) Fiona Young would like to thank everyone who has kindly donated towards her abseil in aid of a charity that has done a great deal for her son Thomas. Fly Cup Catering Ltd is based in Inverurie and trains adults with learning

difficulties to work in the catering industry. The abseil has had to be postponed due to the weather. It will take place in March.

7) Barbara is forward planning to the Christmas Fayre! She is appealing to everyone to save any gift bags they may receive and have no use for. They can be any size – small or large and can be for any occasion. Please hand them to Barbara or into Clark's Pharmacy.

8) Could any elders who know of someone who should receive church flowers please put their details in the book in the counting room.

9) June Cairns co-ordinates the rota for **church transport**. Her contact number is 01542 882336.



Kirk webpage can be found at www.strufus.org

Community Food Moray/Moray Food Bank.

Please help those in need of emergency food by donating long life foods from the range suggested. The items must be non-perishable (dried or tinned), in date, and not high in salt, sugar, or saturated fat.

The blue box inside the main door at St. Rufus has been supplied for donated items.”

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