

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

**TODAY, SUNDAY, 7 May**

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Communion at Grange

7.00 pm – Youth Group

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](mailto: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](mailto:whytedj@btinternet.com)

Eckhardt Bosch has been appointed as Pastoral Assistant jointly with the North Church.

**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 THURSDAY (11 May)**

The "Fly and Friendship Club" meets in the Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Mary Simpson, Margaret Rutherford and Doreen Menzies

**THIS SATURDAY (13 May)**

The Christian Aid Coffee Morning is on Saturday at 10 am. The hall will be open on Friday 6-7.30 pm for setting up.

***FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -***

**(a) SUNDAY, 14 May**

Rev David Whyte and Rev Alastair Gray will do a pulpit exchange. During the services at St Rufus and at Botriphnie, the Interim Moderator will introduce Mr Eckhardt Bosch, pastoral assistant, to the congregations.

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Botriphnie

**(b)** The "Fly and Friendship Club" meets on Thursday, 18 May in the Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Pat Winton, Eileen Leighton and Eleanor Leith.

**(c)** The Welcome Committee is holding a Family Beetle Drive on Friday, 19 May at 7 pm in the hall. Admission £1 to include teas and homebakes. There will also be Raffles and a Chocolate Stall. Setting up from 4 pm.

**(d)** The Guild's annual sponsored walk and silence is on Saturday, 20 May starting at 3 pm in the hall with everyone meeting afterwards at the Grampian Hotel at 5 pm for a meal. This event is aimed at raising money for the Guild projects – see the church web page for more details of these worthy causes. Guild members would be delighted if anyone would like to sponsor them.

**(e) SUNDAY, 21 May**

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Grange

2.30 pm – Weston View Service of Holy Communion with rota of Heather and Kevin Strathdee, Billy Stewart, Sheena Edwards, Bill Hardie, James Edward (or their deputies), faithful friends.

7.00 pm – Youth Group

**(f)** The "Fly and Friendship Club" meets on Thursday, 25 May in the Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Joan MacBeath, Anne Cameron and Allana

## ANNOUNCEMENTS...

1) There are quiz sheets at the door in aid of Christian Aid. Suggested donation of £1. Closing date for entries is Saturday, 27 May and they can be handed to Agnes Riach or Joan MacBeath or handed in to Keith Library. £5 prize for first correct entry picked after that date. SAE for correct answers.

2) We are looking for a Church Officer for Sunday Services, weddings and funerals and a Hallkeeper. No cleaning involved. If anyone is interested or knows of someone who might be interested then please contact the Clerk to the Board, Fiona Simpson, for more details. Fiona's email is [fiona\\_22@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:fiona_22@hotmail.co.uk)

3) Ann Hutton has very kindly volunteered to take on the role of Christian Aid Convenor.

4) A Joint Prayer Group has been set up and will meet every Tuesday 11-12 in the Garrow Chapel in the North Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

5) There will be no meetings of the Bible Study Group until after Michael's exams.

6) Max Siegrist and his engineering team will be giving a talk to the Youth Group about their winning submersible machine. They hope to be representing Britain in California if they raise the funds to go. The talk will be open to all and will be in the Longmore Hall on Sunday, 28 May at 7pm. This will be a very interesting talk and you are encouraged to attend.

7) Fiona Young has successfully completed the abseil at Peterhead Prison and would like to express her immense gratitude for the donations she has received from the members of the congregation. The money will go a long way in helping Fly Cup Catering Ltd train adults with learning difficulties to work in the catering industry. The total is still to be finalised.

8) "Surviving to Thriving Conversation Café

Event" – open to anyone who has a personal or professional interest in mental health, wellbeing and recovery. This event is on Thursday, 11 May in Elgin Town Hall 10.30am – 3.30 pm. There will be presentations, workshops, entertainment and refreshments. To register please e-mail [robert.stevenson@scottishrecovery.net](mailto:robert.stevenson@scottishrecovery.net)

9) 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.

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

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



Check out the Kirk webpage which can be found at [www.strufus.org](http://www.strufus.org)

### Appeal for Donations

#### Community Food Moray/Moray Food Bank.

Supplies at the food bank are dangerously low at the moment. Please help those in need of emergency food by donating long life foods. 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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