

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 27 August

10.15 am – United service at St Rufus (Sunday Club)

Please stay for the teas and home bakes and to enjoy fellowship.

This is Rev David Whyte's last service with us and he will be greatly missed. We have been extremely fortunate having a locum in place for 2 years and Rev Whyte has worked hard for the congregations. We wish him well in his well-earned retirement.

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

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

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

THIS WEEK: -

THIS TUESDAY (29 August)

The Bible Study Group meets in the hall at 7.30 for 8 pm. The passages to be studied are Luke 7:28 and Matthew 11:11 - Who is greater than John the Baptist?

THIS THURSDAY (31 August)

The "Fly and Friendship Club" meets at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Sandra Webster, June Miller and Ann Hutton.

THIS THURSDAY (31 August)

There will be a meeting of the Welcome Committee at 7.30 pm followed by a meeting of the Picnic and Parties Committee at 8 pm. Both meetings in the hall.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) SUNDAY, 3 September

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Botriphnie

7 pm – Youth Group

(b) The Guild resumes on Monday, 4 September at 7.30 pm in the hall. This is an Open Meeting and all are welcome to attend. Entertainment will be provided by the Myrtle Scott Trio. If you want to know more about the Guild please feel free to come along and remember it is open to both men and women.

(c) The "Fly and Friendship Club" meets on Thursday, 7 September in the Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Agnes Riach, Cath Fell and Vera McLarren.

(d) There will be a Coffee Morning organised by the Picnic and Parties Committee on Saturday, 9 September in the hall starting at 10 am.

(e) SUNDAY, 10 September

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Grange

(f) The Bible Study Group meets on Tuesday, 12 September in the hall at 7.30 for 8 pm. The passages to be studied are Matthew 11:12 and Luke 16:16 - Violence and the Kingdom

(g) The "Fly and Friendship Club" meets on Thursday, 14 September in the Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Mary Simpson, Margaret Rutherford and Doreen Menzies.

(h) SUNDAY, 17 September

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Botriphnie

2.30 pm - Weston View Service with rota of Sandra and Jozef Gerrie, Barbara Robertson, Brian Webster, Kathleen Roy, Phyllis Bowman (or their deputies), faithful friends.

7 pm – Youth Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

1) PARISH NEWSLETTER

Material for the October newsletter should be with editor Esther Green no later than Friday, 29 September. Contact Esther on 880456 or email thegreens4@btinternet.com

2) It is now that time of year when we make an appeal for donations for the **CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**. Items can be left at the church, handed to Nicola Smith or dropped off at Peterkins in Mid Street. Please ensure that the use by date is at least 31 October. Thank you.

3) Several out of date and mouldy items have been found in the fridge in the hall. Can all groups please put their names on food and ensure that they remove food once it is no longer needed. Any out of date items will be disposed of.

4) The Heritage Group has kindly donated aprons for use at the hall and in the church. If you use one please wash and return.

5) Moray Supports Refugees are desperately seeking donations! They are looking for clothing and camping equipment for people trapped in refugee camps. The contact number is 07982161282

6) The Landscape paintings by local artist Ian Whittle will be on display during August and September in the Kirk Shop and Glenisla Frames in Keith and in the Still Life Studio in Aberlour. They

will also be displayed in the Pop Up Shop in Keith 2-7 October. Then there will be a final exhibition (with silent auction) in the North Church Hall 11-13 October with the conclusion of the auction on 13 October at 7.30 pm. A percentage of the funds raised will be used to support the Tuesday Table.

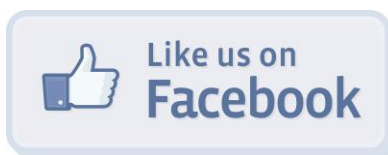
7) The Joint Prayer Group will not meet during July and August.

8) 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.

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

10) 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

Appeal for Donations - Moray Food Bank.

Please help those in need of emergency food by donating any long-life foods. The items must be non-perishable (dried or tinned), in date, and not high in salt, sugar, or saturated fat. Suggested items are long-life milk (UHT or powdered), soup, pasta sauces, cereals, tea, instant mashed potato, rice/pasta, tinned meat/fish, tinned fruit, jam, biscuits or snack bars. Toiletries for both men and women are also welcome.

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

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