

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 10 September

We welcome Rev Rozelle Bosch, an ordained minister of the Dutch Reformed Church of South Africa who will be conducting the services today. She will be assisted by Megan Cambridge, a Lay Reader in training from the Scottish Episcopal Church, supervised by our Interim Moderator.
10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)
11.45 am – Grange

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. His role also includes pastoral care. He is happy to be contacted on 01542882799, 07871959996 or on email at ebosch@churchofscotland.org.uk

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

THIS WEEK: -

THIS TUESDAY (12 September)

The Bible Study Group meets 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

THIS THURSDAY (14 September)

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

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) 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

(b) The Guild meets on Monday, 18 September at 7.30 pm in the hall. The speakers will be Mt Eckhardt Bosch and the ImpROVise team.

(c) Wednesday, 20 September

Congregational Board meets at 7.15 pm
Kirk Session meets at 8 pm

(d) The "Fly and Friendship Club" meets on Thursday, 21 September in the Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Pat Winton, Eileen Leighton and Eleanor Leith.

(e) SUNDAY, 24 September

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)
11.45 am – Grange

(f) The "Fly and Friendship Club" meets on Thursday, 28 September in the Scout Hall - 2 pm - 3.30 pm. Tea rota – Joan MacBeath, Anne Cameron and Allana

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) Message from Rev David Whyte

Along with my wife Janet, I would like to express our sincere appreciation of your kind words and encouragement on my departure after being your Locum Minister for the past 2 years. It has been a

real privilege to serve you and to be encouraged by your support and friendship.

The cards, gifts and thanks we have received are cherished and the exceptional generosity of the congregation is much appreciated and will be put to good use, I can assure you.

With Kind Regards and Prayers for all of you and your future as the Church and Body of Christ in your parish areas.

Message from Mrs Janet Whyte

Thank you for the lovely flowers I received on David's "Retirement". You have all be very welcoming any time I have managed to be with you at services or coffee mornings, etc. It has been much appreciated.

3) 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.

4) Coffee Mornings in the North Church Hall:
16/9/17 – North Church Fund Raising Committee
23/9/17 – Deveron Pony Club
30/9/17 – Botriphnie School

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 Whittley 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 Welcome Committee is holding a Family Beetle Drive on Friday, 10 November starting at 7 pm. Setting up at 3 pm. Raffles and £1 stall.

8) Forward planning to next year! The Welcome Committee will be hosting a Table Top Carbooter in the hall so you will get a chance to sell all your items which are no longer required. More details to follow.

9) The Joint Prayer Group meets every Tuesday 11-12 in the Garrow Chapel in the North Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

10) 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.

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

12) 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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