

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 28 January

The services will mark the launch of The Church of Scotland's Year of Young People. They will be led by Eckhardt and will have participation of young people

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Grange

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

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THIS WEEK: -

THIS TUESDAY (30 January)

The weekly joint churches' prayer group resumes in the North Church Garrow Chapel, 11.15-11.45 am prior to the Tuesday Table lunch.

THIS WEDNESDAY (31 January)

Eckhardt is starting a weekly vestry hour 6-7 pm at the St Rufus Manse when he will be available for any pastoral assistance. Please feel free to come to the manse where he has prepared a separate accessible room especially for meeting with folk. (Does anyone have a spare Coffee Table that could be used in his pastoral care room?)

THURSDAY (1 February)

Fly & Friendship Club meets at 2pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Maty Sinclair, Peggy Sievwright and Elsie Cruickshank.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) SUNDAY, 4 February

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Botriphnie

7 pm – Youth Group

(b) The Guild meets on Monday, 5 February at 7.30 pm in the hall when Jackie Kersley will be giving a talk on Linus Quilts for Girls. Members are kindly reminded to bring a raffle prize.

(c) The Bible Study group meets on Tuesday, 6 February at 7.45 pm in the Hall. The topic to be studied is "For or Against". Texts are Matthew 12:30/ Luke 9:50/ Like 11:23/ Mark 9:40

(d) Wednesday, 7 February

Congregational Board meets at 7 pm

Kirk Session meets at 8 pm

(e) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 8 February at 2pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Agnes Paterson and Sheila McIntosh.

(f) SUNDAY, 11 February

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Grange

(g) The Guild Coffee Morning is on Saturday, 17 February 10-12.

(h) SUNDAY, 18 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

7 pm – Youth Group

(i) The Guild meets at 7.30 pm on Monday, 19 February when the speaker will be Jacqueline Kemp talking about Christians in Borneo.

(j) The Bible Study group meets on Tuesday, 6 February at 7.45 pm in the Hall. The topic to be studied is "Hell"

(k) There will be a meeting of the Welcome Committee on Wednesday, 21 February at 7.30 pm in the hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

1) To all users of St Rufus Hall.

The work on the heating system in the hall will start on Wednesday and should last for 2 days.

2) The annual Men's Breakfast is on Saturday, 17 February 8.30–10 am in Elgin Free Church, South Street, Elgin. The speaker will be Nick Hanover, Padre at RAF Lossiemouth. To book a place please contact Colin Morison on 01343 542196 or Neil Sutherland on 01343 549357. The cost is £5.

3) Dr Paul Whittaker OBE introduces Singing in British Sign Language – a 2-day event in Lossiemouth. Friday, 2 March 17.15-18.45 pm at St James Church Hall, Prospect Terrace and on Saturday, 3 March at 16.30-18.00 pm at Sfear Kickboxing, Baker Street. Advance Purchase is £15 for both days or £10 at the door (numbers permitting). For more details or to book a place please email heather@moraybsslservices.co.uk or phone 07867531862.

4) 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. This will be on Saturday, 3 March 9 am -12. The hall will be open on the Friday evening 7-8 pm for the people to set up their tables. Tables will cost £5 and if anyone would like to book a table please phone Margaret Henderson on 01542 8887104 or email mhenderson3@hotmail.co.uk before Wednesday, 21 February. Admission will be £1 which includes refreshments.

5) The weekly joint churches' prayer group meets on Tuesdays 11.15-11.45 am in the North Church Garrow Chapel, prior to the Tuesday Table lunch.

6) On Friday, 2 February at 7 pm Keith Grammar School is holding a Burn's Supper. Tickets are available from the school office.

7) Barbara is, once again, forward planning to next year's 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. She is looking for more volunteer drivers.** Her contact number is 01542 882336.



Check out the Kirk webpage which can be found at www.strufus.org

Moray Food Bank/Keith Foodstore

Our local Keith Foodstore organiser, Tanya Dunlop, will be moving from Keith in the next few months, and is looking for a team of volunteers in the local churches to hand over this work. If anyone is interested in being part of a team to help carry on what she has started, please see Alastair or Eckhardt for further details.

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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