

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 9 September

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

Mr Eckhardt Bosch is our 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

Eckhardt will be in the Kirk Shop every Thursday afternoon 1-5 pm when he will be available for any pastoral assistance.

THIS WEEK: -

THIS THURSDAY (13 September)

The Fly and Friendship Club meets at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Isobel Shanks, Andi Ross and Loisa Duguid.

THIS SATURDAY (15 September)

The Picnic and Parties Committee is holding a Coffee Morning 10 am -12 noon in the hall. £2. Usual stalls. The hall will be open for setting up and donations 7-8 pm on the Friday.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) SUNDAY, 16 September

Services conducted by Megan Cambridge

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, 17 September at 7.30 pm in the hall when Rev Alastair Gray will be the guest speaker.

(c) Wednesday, 19 September

Congregational Board meets at 7 pm

Kirk Session meets at 7.45 pm

(d) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 20 September at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Karen Simpson, Norma Gray and Margaret Kerr.

(e) SUNDAY, 23 September

Services conducted by Rev Alastair Gray

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Grange

(f) There will be a meeting of the Welcome Committee on Wednesday, 26 September at 7.30 pm in the hall to discuss the Beetle Drive scheduled for Wednesday, 10 October.

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

1) It is now that time of year when we make an appeal for donations for the **CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**. Items can be left at the door of the church at the right hand side as you enter, handed to Nicola Smith or dropped off at Peterkins in Mid Street before 30 September. Please ensure that the use by date is at least 31 October. Thank you.

2) There will be a meeting on Thursday, 4 October at 7.30 pm in the small hall to discuss this year's Christmas Fayre. Please try to attend if you can help. This year the Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday, 27 October.

3) There is now a fourth blog available to view on the Kirk webpage. This one is from Michael Newlands about the Fun Week. Please take a minute to view it on www.strufus.org

4) PARISH NEWSLETTER

Material for the October newsletter should be with editor Esther Green no later than Monday, 1 October. Contact Esther on 880456 or email thegreens4@btinternet.com

5) Norma Gray is holding her annual Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support in the Scout hall, Fife-Keith on Friday, 28 September 10-12.

6) There will be a Service of Evensong in Holy Trinity Church, Keith on Sunday, 28 October at 5 pm when Megan Cambridge will be licenced as Lay Reader by The Most Reverend Mark Strange. All are warmly invited to attend. There will be refreshments served after the Evensong.

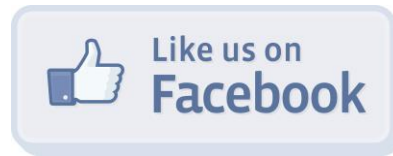
7) For the attention of members of the Kirk Session and Congregational Board

There will be a Stewardship Conference on Saturday, 10 November in St Rufus Church. It is hoped that as many people as possible can attend thus, hopefully, avoiding the need for a big stewardship campaign. More details will be available nearer the time, but in the meantime please try to keep the date free.

8) 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.

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. **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

If anyone is interested in being part of the team to help carry out the work of the Foodbank, please see Alastair, Eckhardt or Joan MacBeath for further details. The work mostly entails putting together a food bag and delivering it to a drop off point (usually the Resource Centre) for collection by the recipient.

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. At the moment there is a particular need for sauces for pasta, uht milk and cartons of fruit juice.

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

Intimation sheets are **edited** by Joan MacBeath, 13 Broomhill Court, Keith. 01542 882185

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