

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 11 November

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)
11.40 am – Botriphnie War Memorial followed by the service in the church at 11.45 am.
7 pm – Youth Group

Rev Sonia Palmer (Ordained Local Minister) has been appointed as our Interim Moderator. She can be contacted on 07748700929 or by email Sonia.palmer@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 MONDAY (12 November)

The Guild meets on at 7.30 pm in the hall when Martina Munro will be the guest speaker.

THIS WEDNESDAY (14 November)

Weekly rehearsal of the United Churches Choir at 6 pm in St Rufus Church.

THIS THURSDAY (15 November)

The Fly and Friendship Club meets at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Joan MacBeath, Eileen Leighton and Allana Wynne.

THIS SATURDAY (17 November)

The Fly & Friendship Coffee Morning is in the Scout Hall starting at 10 am. Usual stalls.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) SUNDAY 18 November

10.15 am – St Rufus with Guild Dedication (Sunday Club)
11.45 am – Grange
2.30 pm – Weston View with rota of Sheila Fettes, George Anthony, Duncan and Caroline George, Esther Green (or their deputies), faithful friends.

(b) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 22 November at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Rachael Davidson, Isobel Gillies and Colin Winton.

(c) SUNDAY 25 November

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)
11.45 am – Botriphnie
7 pm – Youth Group

(d) The Guild meets on Monday, 26 November at 7.30 pm when the ladies from Harmony/Simply Therapies will be the guest speakers. Can Guild members please remember to bring a raffle prize.

(e) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 29 November at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Mary Sinclair, Peggy Sievwright and Elsie Cruickshank.

(f) The decoration of St Rufus Church for Christmas will take place on Friday, 30 November. If anyone is able to help please meet at the church at 7 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

1) The provisional total for the Christmas Fayre is £8,021.44 which now includes a contribution from the Traidcraft sales. Congratulations to everyone who helped to make the Fayre such a success. Preparations started months ago and culminated in a well organised day with everyone pulling together and working hard to achieve a fantastic result. Thanks to all who donated and in particular

Barbara would like to say how grateful she is to everyone who gave towards the Youth Group stalls. Thanks to the helpers on the day and to everyone who turned up to show their support and spend their money! Roll on next year!

2) The amount raised from the retiral collection at communion is now £181.13. This will go to the Sunshine Playgroup.

3) NEWSLETTER

Material for the Christmas newsletter should be with editor Esther Green no later than 5 pm on Friday, 23 November by email at jessco96@icloud.com

4) Planning for the Bicentennial celebrations is well underway. One of the things we will be doing is creating an exhibition of paintings, photographs, newspaper cuttings, or any type of memorabilia relating to St Rufus Church. We don't require them now but you could start looking and have them ready for next year.

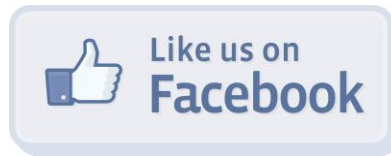
5) There will be a Traidcraft stall at St Rufus Church on Sunday, 2 December for your last minute Christmas purchases. Traidcraft has been given a reprieve for a year so try to support them while you can.

6) Two members of the Youth Group gave a very articulate and informative talk to Board and Session members on Wednesday night about Transgender Inclusion. Thanks go to them for sharing their knowledge on this topic.

7) 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.

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

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, and uht milk.

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

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