

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 10 February
Services conducted by Rev Sonia Palmer
10.15 am – St Rufus (No Sunday Club)
11.45 am – Grange
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@yahoo.com

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

St Rufus 200 Celebrations

Sunday, March 10 at 10.15 am - Songs of Praise with Keith & District Silver Band

Monday, March 11 at 7 pm - Youth-led worship

Tuesday, March 12 at 7 pm - Organ recital with Iain Carr

Thursday, March 14 at 7 pm - Thanksgiving with special guests

Friday, March 15 - Service for local schools

Saturday, March 16 - 10am -noon - Coffee morning in St Rufus Hall

Sunday, March 17 at 10.15 am - Morning worship with Strathisla Pipe Band

St Rufus Church will be open from 10am-4pm Monday-Thursday when an exhibition of memorabilia will be on show. Light refreshments will be available. For more, visit www.strufus.org

THIS WEEK: -

THIS MONDAY (11 February)
The St Rufus 200 committee meets at 7.30 pm in the hall.

THIS WEDNESDAY (13 February)
Congregational Board meets at 7 pm
Kirk Session meets at 7.45 pm

THIS THURSDAY (14 February)
The Fly and Friendship Club meets at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Agnes Riach, Cath Fell and Vera McLarren.

THIS SATURDAY (16 February)
The Guild Coffee Morning is in the hall 10-12. Usual stalls. Setting up on Friday from 6.30 pm.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) SUNDAY, 17 February
Services conducted by Lay Reader Megan Cambridge
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.

(b) The Guild meets on Monday, 18 February at 7.30 pm in the hall when Rev Michael Last will be giving a talk on the Holy Land. Can Guild members please remember to bring a raffle prize.

(c) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 21 February at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Mary Simpson, Margaret Rutherford and Doreen Menzies

(d) The Family Ceilidh organised by the Youth Group is on Friday, 22 February in the Legion at 7:30 pm. The Strathspey Fiddlers will be playing and there will also be a raffle, refreshments and a few party games. Tickets cost £5, donations greatly appreciated. All are welcome! Tickets are

also available from Clark's Pharmacy or members of the Youth Group.

(e) SUNDAY, 24 February

Thinking Day Service

Services conducted by Rev Sonia Palmer

10.15 am – St Rufus (No Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Grange

7 pm – Youth Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

1) As part of the St Rufus 200 celebrations the church will be open Monday–Thursday (11-14 March) 10 am – 4 pm. If you are able to be part of a rota to man the church please see Nicola. There will be a display of memorabilia, an information sheet and tea/coffee and biscuits.

2) Planning for the St Rufus 200 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. Please look them out and let Caroline George, who is coordinating this, know. You can phone her on 888476 or email caroline545george@btinternet.com

3) Our Youth Group has been nominated in the National Youth Awards and not only that, they've made it to the finals! We wish them well.

4) There is a Presbyterian Pastoral Care course being run over 3 evenings by Rev Blair Robertson in St Geraldine's High Church Hall, Lossiemouth 7.30-9 pm on Thursdays 14, 21 and 28 February. This is open to all members of any congregation interested in developing their visiting skills, particularly to those who are bereaved or seriously ill. It is strongly recommended that you should NOT attend if you have been recently bereaved. For more information or to book a place please contact Margaret King on 01343 820937 or email at margaretking889@gmail.com

5) 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.

6) Being Together and Learning Together: Dementia-Friendly Developments in our Communities is a workshop being run on Friday, 22 March 10-4 in St Columba's Church Stirling. For more information contact B McDowell on 07704601983 or at bmcowell@churchofscotland.org.uk

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

Our new parish profile is now available to view

Moray Food Bank

Keith Foodstore no longer operates in Keith and all donations will go to Elgin for distribution. 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.

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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