

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 3 March

Services conducted by Rev Sonia Palmer

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Botriphnie

6 pm – Bereavement Service at St Rufus

The congregation is asked to stay behind at the end of both morning services for a very short meeting.

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, 07597020707 or on email at ebosch@churchofscotland.org.uk

St Rufus 200 Celebrations

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

THIS WEEK: -

THIS MONDAY (4 March)

The Guild meets at 7.30 pm in the hall when Pastor Vic Cameron will be talking about orphans in India.

THIS WEDNESDAY (6 March)

The Guild Spring Rally is in Buckie North Church on at 2 pm. The bus will leave the hall at 1.15 pm. Please note change of venue.

THIS WEDNESDAY (6 March)

The Annual Stated Meeting takes place on at 7 pm in the hall. This is open to all members of the congregation so please feel free to go along.

THIS THURSDAY (7 March)

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

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) SUNDAY, 10 March

St Rufus 200 Songs of Praise conducted by Lay Reader Megan Cambridge with Keith & District Silver Band

10.15 am – United at St Rufus (Sunday Club)

7 pm – Youth Group

Teas and homebakes to follow the service

(b) Monday, 11 March at 7 pm

St Rufus 200 Youth-led Service followed by teas and homebakes

(c) Tuesday, 12 March at 7 pm - Organ recital with Iain Carr with a varied programme of Bach, Widor, Scottish and Rock. £5 to include teas and homebakes

(d) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 14 March at 2 pm in the Scout Hall.

(e) Thursday, 14 March at 7 pm – St Rufus 200 Thanksgiving Service led by Rev Stuart Duff with special guests

(f) Friday, 15 March at 10 am - Service for local schools

(g) Saturday, 16 March - 10am -noon - Coffee morning in St Rufus Hall (Setting up on Friday 6.30-7.30 pm and for dropping off donations) Cake and Candy, Bottle stall, raffles, etc.

(h) SUNDAY, 17 March

St Rufus 200 Service conducted by Rev Sonia Palmer with Strathisla Pipe Band

10.15 am – United at St Rufus (Sunday Club)

2.30 pm – Weston View Service with rota of Isobel Shanks, Ann Hutton, Nan Watson, John Clarke, William Dingwall, Ian Barbour (or their deputies), faithful friends.

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) ST RUFUS MEMORABILIA

We are still looking for any photos, newspaper cutting, etc relating to St Rufus so please have a look and see if you can find anything. They will be scanned and returned to you undamaged.

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) The Community Bus will be available for anyone without transport wanting to attend the Thanksgiving Service on the evening of Thursday, 14 March. If you wish to be picked up please contact Duncan on 888476.

4) Souvenirs for the St Rufus 200 are now available to buy.

5) 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.

6) 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.

7) 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 bmcdowell@churchofscotland.org.uk

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

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.

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