

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 29 December

We welcome members of the congregations of the North churches

Service conducted by Rev Sonia Palmer

10.15 am – Joint Churches Service at St Rufus (Sunday Club on holiday)

(Session to meet in the west porch at 10 am)

Rev Sonia Palmer (OLM) is our Interim Moderator. She can be contacted on 07748700929 or by email sonia.palmer@yahoo.com

Mr Eckhardt Bosch is available for pastoral care. He is happy to be contacted on 01542 882799, 07597020707 or on email at ebosch@churchofscotland.org.uk He will also be conducting services and funerals.

Notices of church services will no longer be placed in the Banffshire Herald. Please check Intimation Sheets and Facebook for details of services. Past Intimation Sheets are also on the web page.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) SUNDAY, 5 January

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club on holiday)

11.45 am – Botriphnie

(b) The Guild's members night is on Monday, 6 January at 7.30 pm in the hall. Members are reminded to bring with them, if possible, a poem, story, song, etc.

(c) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 9 January at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Pat Winton, Eileen Leighton and Eleanor Leith

(d) SUNDAY, 12 January

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Grange

7 pm – Youth Group

(e) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 16 January at 2 pm in the Scout Hall.

(f) SUNDAY, 19 January

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Botriphnie

2.30 pm - 2.30 pm – Weston View service with rota of Sandra and Jozef Gerrie, Elma and Stewart McKenzie, Wilma Robertson (or their deputies), faithful friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

- 1)** The amount donated at the Christingle and Watchnight Services was £281.60 and this has now been given to the Sunshine Playgroup.
- 2)** The amount raised at the lunch after the Nativity service was £180. Thanks to members of the Picnic and Parties committee and the tea ladies for providing the lunch.
- 3) Share/Think Faith**
An opportunity to explore questions around life and faith. Journey together to understand the meaning of the Gospel and the Bible. The meetings are weekly from Wednesday, 26 February 6.30pm for 7 until 8 pm at the Cottar Hoose, New Elgin. Entrance free with light refreshments available. More details can be had from the poster at the door, Eckhardt Bosch or at ebosch@churchofscotland.org.uk
- 4)** Well done to members of the Youth Group who have presented Ian Southgate, Social Worker with the Placement Services Team, with Christmas gifts for the care experienced young adults in Moray. Very generous and thoughtful.

5) Presbytery News

18-25 January – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

24 January – Prayers for Peace in Israel and the Occupied Territories at Spynie Kirk 4-4.30 pm

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) GIFT AID – If you are a tax payer and donate to the church but haven't completed a gift aid form please consider doing so. It doesn't cost you anything, but the church can claim from the government 25p in every £1 you donate. However, if your circumstances have changed and you no longer pay tax please remember to advise us so that we no longer claim for you. More information can be obtained from Charlie Cameron or Steve MacBeath.

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.

Moray Food Plus+

Please help those in need of emergency food by donating any long-life foods.

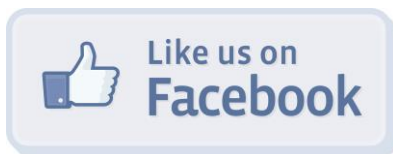
The items must be non-perishable (dried or tinned), in date, and not high in salt, sugar, or saturated fat.

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

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