

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 5 January

Service conducted by Eckhardt Bosch

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club on holiday)

11.45 am – Botriphnie

The decorations will be taken down after the service today. Volunteers to help would be appreciated.

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.

THIS WEEK: -

THIS MONDAY (6 January)

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

THIS THURSDAY (9 January)

The Fly and Friendship Club meets at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Pat Winton, Eileen Leighton and Eleanor Leith

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS: -

(a) SUNDAY, 12 January

Service conducted by Rev Sonia Palmer and Eckhardt Bosch

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Grange

7 pm – Youth Group

(b) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 16 January at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Joan MacBeath, Anne Cameron and Allana Wynne.

(c) SUNDAY, 19 January

Service conducted by Eckhardt Bosch

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Botriphnie

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

(d) The Guild meets on Monday, 20 January at 7.30 pm in the hall for the Scots night with entertainment by the Country Quines.

(e) The Fly and Friendship Club meets on Thursday, 23 January at 2 pm in the Scout Hall. Tea rota – Rachael Davidson, Isobel Gillies and Rita Mearns.

(f) SUNDAY, 26 January

Service conducted by Rev Sonia Palmer

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

11.45 am – Grange

6 pm – Healing Service

7 pm – Youth Group

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) The Mental Health & Wellness Centre, Elgin is running workshops in January to improve mental health and wellbeing.

Thursday 9th January 14.30-16.30 - Anxiety Matters - How anxiety affects you and how to overcome it. (Held at the Mental Health & Wellness Centre)

Thursday 16th January 14.30—16.30 - Self Esteem & Confidence - Explore ways to overcome critical thinking to help build your self-esteem and confidence. (Held at the Mental Health & Wellness Centre)

Thursday 23rd January 14.30– 16.30 - Winter Walk and Talk - Leaving from the Mental Health & Wellness Centre, a gentle walk around the local area whilst sharing hints and tips for good mental health.

Friday 31st January 14.30 -16.30 - Why does Everything Go Wrong - Explore how thoughts affect the way you feel. (Held at the Community Hub at Moray College)

To book a place or for more information telephone 01343 556191 or email moraywellnesscentre@penumbra.org.uk

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 this 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.



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

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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