

# WELCOME TO KIRK OF KEITH: ST RUFUS, BOTRIPHNIE AND GRANGE

## **TODAY, SUNDAY, 27 September**

10.15 am – St Rufus

11.45 am – Botriphnie

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## ***FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:-***

### **(a) SUNDAY, 4 October**

10.15 am – St Rufus

Duty elders – Fiona Simpson and Isabel Russell

11.45 am – Grange

### **(b) SUNDAY, 11 October**

10.15 am – St Rufus

Duty elders – Linda Willox and Lorna Allison

11.45 am – Botriphnie

### **(c) SUNDAY, 18 October**

10.15 am – St Rufus

Duty elders – Mary Gray and Pat Winton

11.45 am – Grange

### **(d) SUNDAY, 25 October**

10.15 am – St Rufus

Duty elders – Norma Gray and Doreen Strathdee

11.45 am – Botriphnie

### **(e) SUNDAY, 1 November**

10.15 am – St Rufus

Duty elders – Adam Murray and Bill Hardie

11.45 am – Grange

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS...**

1) Although we are returning to our usual times and locations numbers are still restricted so please continue to contact Nicola if you wish to attend worship. If St Rufus is fully booked you may wish to attend church at Grange or Botriphnie.

Contact details for attending worship are

01542 488673

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## **2) CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**

Although there will be no Christmas Fayre this year due to the restrictions we aim to still do some fund raising so that the church won't miss out entirely. We still plan to have the Hamper Raffle and we now make an appeal for donations. Items can be left at the door of the church on Sundays or dropped off at the Kirk Shop in Mid Street.

Donations can also be handed to Sandra Gerrie or Joan MacBeath. Please ensure that the use by date is at least 31 October. Last date for donations is Sunday, 11 October. Monetary donations are also welcome as this would enable us to buy any items we are short of. Thank you to everyone who has already donated.

Raffle books are available from your elder, the Kirk Shop, Nicola Smith, Joan MacBeath or Barbara Robertson. Please return by 26 October.

## **3) VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

We welcome donations for the on- line Lucky Squares (we already have a cat hamper, a dog hamper, a gin hamper, an afternoon tea voucher and a couple more) and the ordinary raffle which, this year, will be part of the Hamper Raffle. Due to the tighter restrictions now in place the "TEA at 2" idea will of course have to be limited to only 2 households.

The Fun Walk round Keith route map will be available soon.

## **4) PARISH NEWSLETTER**

All contribution for the newsletter should be sent to Esther Green at [esther.g@btinternet.com](mailto:esther.g@btinternet.com) or telephone on 880456 please.

5) Flowers for September donated by:

6/9/20 – June Cairns

13/9/20 – Charlie Cameron

20/9/20 – Greta Cruickshank

27/9/20 – Barbara Robertson

6) Keith and Strathisla Covid-19 volunteers, supported by Moray Food Plus, operate a community larder on Wednesdays from 1-2pm at the Longmore Community Hall. They offer free, non-judgemental assistance. They are also looking for anyone willing to help even if it is just for an hour or two. For more information please contact Keith or Strathisla Community Councils.

7) The decision has been taken to cancel the Fun Week for this year. With current restrictions it would be very difficult to run safely. Hopefully it will be back next year.

8) GIFT AID – If you are a taxpayer 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.

9) Could any elders who know of someone who should receive church flowers please put their details in the book in the counting room or let Nicola know.

10) Due to restrictions imposed due to Covid-19 there will be no church transport at the moment. June Cairns co-ordinates the rota for church transport and she is looking for more volunteer drivers once the restrictions have been lifted. Her contact number is 01542 882336.



**Check out the Kirk webpage which can be found at [www.strufus.org](http://www.strufus.org)**

#### **Moray Food Plus+**

Please help those in need of emergency food by donating any long-life foods. There is an increased need now due to the effects of Covid-19.

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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