

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, 2 May
Celebration of Holy Communion
10.15 am – St Rufus
11.45 am – Grange

Wiekus van Straaten is our minister, and he can be contacted on
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Booking for Services

Although we are returning to our usual times and locations numbers are still restricted due to social distancing, 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 07507234423
strufuschurch@gmail.com

Wiekus's Weekly Words

If you would like Wiekus to send messages to your phone you can send him your mobile number (which he will not share with anyone else and it will not be visible to anyone else) and he will send short messages on WhatsApp to you on a regular basis. This will all be done confidentially. His dedicated mobile number is **07341 370133**.

RETIRING COLLECTIONS IN AID OF REV CHRISTO WOODING – COMMUNION SERVICES

Meet Rev Christo Wooding of the Uniting Reformed Church in Southern Africa who is based in Kokstad, South Africa.

He is in his final year of ministry as he will be retiring at the end of February 2022. His ministry stretches over 30 years in a vast impoverished area on the eastern side of South Africa in the KwaZulu-Natal and the Eastern Cape Provinces. Under his competent leadership, a couple of nursery schools have been established at the outposts where he ministers, and where no other schools exist. Rev Wooding's ministry is completely financed by means of voluntary donations from individuals and churches.

The Retiring Collections on 25 April and 2 May are

in aid of Rev Wooding's ministry and paid to the *Kokstad Sendingfonds* (Kokstad Mission Fund) from which his ministry is financed. Please help Rev Wooding to complete his ministry gracefully by contributing toward this worthy cause. Many thanks.



FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:-

(a) SUNDAY, 9 May

10.15 am – St Rufus

Duty elders – Doreen Strathdee and Norma Gray

11.45 am – Botriphnie

(b) SUNDAY, 16 May

10.15 am – St Rufus

Duty elders – Adam Murray and Bill Hardie

11.45 am – Grange

(c) SUNDAY, 23 May

10.15 am – St Rufus

Duty elders – Sandra Gerrie and Malcolm Morrison

11.45 am – Botriphnie

(d) SUNDAY, 30 May

10.15 am – St Rufus

Duty elders – Caroline and Duncan George

11.45 am – Grange

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

1) CHRISTIAN AID WEEK – 10-16 May

We have lucky number draws for 3 big prizes. Cost will be £1 a square. There will also be a raffle with other donated items including whisky, wine, chocolates etc. Cost for the raffle will be £1 a strip or 6 strips for £5. We are partnering with Keith: North, Newmill, Boharm and Rothiemay Church on this fundraiser. Numbers for the squares will be listed on Facebook and available via the Kirk Shop or Nicola. To donate a prize contact Christian Aid convener Ann Hutton on 01542 882187 or annhutt051@googlemail.com

2) Flowers for May donated by:

2/5/21 – Margaret Rutherford

9/5/21 – Loveina Clarke

16/5/21 – Mary Sinclair

23/5/21 – Sheila Donald

30/5/21 – Nancy Whyte

Flower Fund – a few spaces have become available in the flower calendar. If anyone wishes to donate flowers, give money on an annual basis or take turns to arrange flowers please contact Norma on 882019.

3) 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.

4) 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.

5) 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

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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