

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

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TODAY, SUNDAY, 17 April

10.15 am – United at St Rufus (Sunday Club on holiday)

11 am – Stated Annual Meeting

Please stay for tea/coffee and homebakes

COVID INFORMATION

It is no longer a legal requirement to wear face coverings in church. It is now down to individual choice as to whether to wear a mask or not.

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**.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:-

(a) SUNDAY, 24 April

10.15 am – Communion at St Rufus (Sunday Club)

Duty elders – Eric McWilliam, Steve Shorten and Philip Davidson

11.45 am – Communion at Botriphnie

(b) The Kirk Session will meet on Wednesday, 27 April at 7 pm in St Rufus Hall.

(c) The Fly & Friendship Club will meet on Thursday, 28 April at 2 pm in the Scout Hall for Bingo. Face coverings should still be worn except during tea time (price £1.50). Tea will now be served in the small hall, going in one door and out the other as it used to be. Please remember to bring a cup.

(d) SUNDAY, 1 May

10.15 am – St Rufus (Sunday Club)

Duty elders – Ian Barbour, Isabel Russell and Esther Green

11.45 am – Communion at Grange

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

- 1) The newsletters and communion cards are available for uplifting and distributing by elders.

- 2) The Guild will be doing a sponsored walk on Saturday, 7 May starting from St Rufus Hall at 3 pm. There will also be a sponsored silence in the Church Hall from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm for those who would prefer. Guild members will then meet at the Grampian Hotel for a meal at 5 pm. If anyone hasn't chosen their meal please contact Norma Gray or Joan MacBeath. All monies raised will be for Projects sponsored by the Church of Scotland Guild. These are:
The Vine Trust – the Kazunzu Village of Hope in Tanzania
Beat – 'Blether with Beat', Scotland
Home for Good, Scotland
Pioneers – Chocolate heaven, South East Asia
UNIDA – 'Hear our voice!', Brazil
Starchild, Uganda
If anyone would like to sponsor a Guild member or donate to support the projects it would be very much appreciated.

- 3) The Christian Aid Coffee Morning will be on Saturday, 14 May. Donations welcome.

- 4) Thank you to everyone who supported the Beetle Drive. It was a great evening and fun was had by all. Thanks go to the Welcome Committee for organising it.

- 5) **REHIS Introduction to Food Hygiene level 1 by e-Learning**
This course will take approximately 2 hours to complete, is interactive and participants will be encouraged to reflect on their food safety knowledge and skills. There are no tests or exams during or after this course.
This course is delivered through a third party training partner and is entirely online so you will need access to a computer or tablet with a suitable internet connection. At the end of the course you will receive an approved REHIS Introduction to Food Hygiene certificate.
If you wish to register for the course there is an on line form
<https://forms.office.com/r/SQncvKdWus>

6) Flowers for March and April kindly donated by:

6/3/22 – Gladys Green

13/3/22 – Elsie Kennedy

20/3/22 – Elizabeth Murray

27/3/22 – Isobel Shanks

3/4/22 – Ann Hutton

10/4/22 – Mary Gray

17/4/22 – Rosie Watt

24/4/22 – Communion

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.

7) 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.

8) June Cairns co-ordinates the rota for church transport and her contact number is 01542 882336.



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

Moray Fresh Start

MFS aims to assist the resettlement of homeless in Moray by providing a pack of basic household items that help them to make a new beginning.

Please see our website - <http://www.morayfreshstart.org.uk/> for the type of items we needed.

For more information, and/or to arrange a donation, please contact us on 01343 550566 or email contact@morayfreshstart.org.uk

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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