

KIRK OF KEITH: ST RUFUS, BOTRIPHNIE AND GRANGE

Dear All,



We hope this newsletter finds you well. In this time of uncertainty, we decided to avoid door contact and therefore posted this through your letterbox. Please be assured that we have your best interest at heart and are concerned about your wellbeing.

It is a sad time when we have to put our life on hold, to cancel Sunday services, to stop attending clubs and social gatherings and in some cases even isolate ourselves within our homes. As a congregation we continue to pray for a conclusion to this virus. Sonia has included a prayer to help us through the worst, together.

Prayer for Our World

Heavenly father, we come to you as individuals, community, your people here on your earth asking for your comfort, guidance and strength, to face the Covid Virus which is causing so much pain for your children.

We ask you to be the comfort to those who are suffering with the Virus, help them to be strong and fight with faith, please comfort those who have lost loved ones heal their heavy hearts, keep safe all those care for the sick and vulnerable, giving them strength to keep going when tiredness starts to take its toll.



Help all those in medical research to find a vaccine, those in our community who are isolated to find that we are caring for them and may they find the courage to pick up the phone when needing help.

Thank you, Lord, for teaching us to love thy neighbour as thy self.

Amen

If anyone is concerned about their WFO envelopes, then feel free to pop them through the Kirk shop letterbox, I'll be in there at some point every day.

We have compiled a list of contacts that are willing to fetch some shopping, prescriptions etc or even just to have a chat to. Please do not hesitate to get in touch.



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We may not be able to meet together as a congregation, but we can continue to worship. Video and audio recordings of services can be found on the Church of Scotland website.

Keep an eye on our own church facebook page for regular updates, words of encouragement and clips of specially recorded services by Sonia and Eckhardt.

If you do not have internet access, we are working on printing several services. If you'd like a copy of these please contact Sonia or Nicola and it can be arranged.

KCR are working on broadcasting a service at 10am on a Sunday.

*When you call on me,
when you come and pray to me,
I'll listen. Jeremiah 29:12*

St Rufus church will be open between 10 a.m. and noon every Sunday and between 2pm and 4 p.m. every Wednesday for anyone wishing to use the space for some quiet prayer or reflection. This may be subject to change depending on government regulations.

Please stay safe,

Nicola Smith

Session Clerk

Happy times - praise God
Quiet times - worship God
Difficult times - talk to God
Tough times - seek God
Fearful times - trust God
All the time - thank God