

NK Wee Bulletin

26 May 2022

Christian Aid Week 2022 – Thank You!

Thank you so much to everyone who last week either delivered and/or donated to Christian Aid Week. Your hard work and donations allowed us to share hope with those facing crisis around the world from Ukraine to Zimbabwe. As ever your generosity has been astounding. We don't have a final total as yet but we will update you in future bulletins.

Don't be dismayed, however, if you missed your opportunity to give last week because you still can!

- The Bearsden Area JustGiving page is still live (www.justgiving.com/Bearsden-Christian-Aid),

-The church account will still accept donations with the reference 'Christian Aid' (NAME: New Kilpatrick Parish Church, SORT CODE: 80-05-57, ACCOUNT NUMBER: 00701598),

- Or you can simply put your donation into an envelope and put it through the church or manse letterbox (cheques made out to 'Christian Aid').
THANK YOU!

Parish Communication

Over the last two years, NK has made a big effort to keep in touch with as many people as they could find would benefit from contact, especially under lockdown.

Now that contact is becoming easier and some people are again being visited face-to-face, we find that our expanded list has led to needing a few more people to help keep contact with those who may welcome a voice at the end of the phone, or a friendly face popping in to see them.

If you would be able to make one or two 3 or 4-weekly visits or might be willing to phone two or three people regularly, could you please contact either Catherine in the office (0141 942 8827) or Kirsteen Maclean (0141 942 7603).

Sunday Coffee

It's good to be getting together again after Sunday morning worship for coffee and fellowship. Thanks to all those who have already volunteered to let this happen, with a rota in place up to 17 July.

We will need a new rota when we return to services in the church on Sunday 21 August, following the four weeks of summer services at Bearsden Cross Church. If you would like to be on the rota, please let us know. It would be great to ring the changes and have some men volunteering too.

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Hope to hear from lots of folk ready to join our list of volunteers. 0141 942 8827, mail@nkchurch.org.uk

Something Different

The next meeting of Something Different is this Sunday, May 29th, at 7pm-8.15pm. We are inviting all those from primary 7 - secondary 2 to a BBQ in the manse garden, and a whole bundle of other things.

We're reinventing JF and looking forward to welcoming you to this group of madness. You're very welcome to bring others too.

The Return of Face-to-Face SingSong!

After more than two years on Zoom, **SingSong!** is very happy to say that we will meet again in the New Kilpatrick Church New Halls for three meetings before the end of June. These will be on Tuesday 31st May and Tuesdays 14th and 28th June at 1.30 – 3pm. **SingSong!** is open to anyone who likes a singalong of popular songs with a bit of fun, but also welcomes those who have a degree of memory loss. And, of course, we round it off with a cup of tea and chat.

Any more information can be had from Kirsteen Maclean, 0141 942 7603 or kirsteen7@btinternet.com

All necessary precautions will be taken to keep everyone safe and new and present members are very welcome.

Platinum Picnic

We're celebrating the Queens Platinum on Pentecost which is 5th June. We'll have a platinum Pentecost service which will be immediately followed by a platinum picnic.

The idea is to bring your own picnic for the Manse garden where we'll offer a whole bundle of activities from Create your Crown, to the Queens Quiz. In amongst all of that there will be Jubilee Juice and Royal Garden Games for everyone, with a special Celebration Cake to share, and a pipe band.

There is also the possibility (final arrangements are still being made) that we might have a special royal-ish guest. We have a throne being brought into the garden and we'll have the place covered in bunting and balloons.

There is no need to book. Just come along with your own picnic (including your cucumber sandwiches) and be ready to spend some time together celebrating. If it is wet (and we seriously doubt it will be) we will find our way to the halls. Bring a picnic blanket and a garden chair, and if you wish to dress appropriately for the occasion, there will be special prizes handed out by our special guest.

We're going to have a great day.

Summer Services

This year, the sessions of New Kilpatrick and Bearsden Cross church have agreed to share their summer services. Many will remember this happening in the past, but we will offer both 9.30 and 10.30 versions of worship.

From Sunday 26th June - 17th July we will be based in New Kilpatrick for both 9.30 and 10.30 services.

From 24th July - 14th August, both services will be at Bearsden Cross.

You'll see both ministers at most of the services too, either sharing or simply worshipping with the congregation.

Together we'll be travelling with Abraham over the summer, from star fields to sand grains, geriatric parenting to giggling mothers. It's going to be fun.

Masks in church

While mask-wearing in worship is no longer a requirement, we recognise that many wish to continue to wear masks to reduce risk to themselves and to others. We have designated the area on the pulpit side from the cross aisle to the chancel and upstairs in the North Gallery, as areas for those who wish to continue to wear masks. All other areas will be mask-free. We have also removed the requirement for social distancing in the mask-free areas and you will see we have removed all the green dots. The area for those wearing masks will maintain social distancing. This will continue to be updated and is likely to change in the next week or so.

Road closure and parking suspensions

Just to let you know, East Dunbartonshire Council have notified the following road closure and parking suspensions from 06.00 hours until 18.00 hours each day from Saturday 28 May 2022 until Sunday 29 May 2022:

CLOSURE: DOUGLAS PLACE (between Roman Road car park access and New Kirk Road).

PARKING SUSPENSION: Kirk Road, New Kirk Road and Douglas Place.

Reason for Restrictions: Line marking and parking bay marking painting works.

Access to Roman Road car park and St Andrew Church will be retained on both days from Roman Road.

Access to the Glebe car park and New Kilpatrick Parish Church will be retained from Kirk Road.

Diary

Thursday 26th

Daybreak in the church hall at 1.30pm

Sunday 29th

Morning Worship, 10.30, sanctuary.

Something Different (P7-S2) 7pm, hall.

Tuesday 31st

SingSong! In the hall at 1.30pm.

Wednesday 1st

Midweek Service, I Iam in the hall, followed by coffee and cake

Thursday 2nd

Daybreak in the church hall at 1.30pm