

New Kilpatrick Bulletin 6 February 2025

Time Capsule

2025 morphed into 1934 for us at our morning service last Sunday as our newly discovered time capsule was opened.

Photos on the back page.

It was buried in the stonework of our Old Hall, demolished recently. There had been rumours there might have been a time capsule in the building, and amid the rubble, beside the stone with the date of the hall's construction, the lead box was found.

Inside there were a number of documents and some coins. Among the documents was the edition of the Church of Scotland magazine, **Life and Work** from September 1934. It was priced twopence and included an article from 100 years ago then. That's almost 200 years of history in the time capsule. It also included articles on the 'Order of Deaconesses', 'Holidays for City Mothers' and 'Our Anglican Conference' showing the same breadth of pastoral work, social care and ecumenism was empowering the church then as now.

There was a **Glasgow Herald** dated Saturday 7th September 1934 but no headlines. The front page showed to the left, Hatches, Matches and Dispatches, and, right down the middle, three long columns of church notices for the next day.

A copy of the **Milngavie and Bearsden Herald** was folded up in the box too.

There were **a number of coins** found in the time capsule, all dated 1934, or as close to that date as possible. A **crown, ha'penny, farthing, sixpence etc.** The children found these particularly interesting given our greater use of cards and phones to pay for things, especially the weight of coins that really would tear a hole in your pocket.

And the smallest of all was the **order of service for the laying of the foundation stone.** The minister of the congregation and parish at the time was The Rev James McCardel. **Lesley Macfarlane**, his granddaughter, is pictured on the back, holding the same order from all those years ago.

What to do with the contents?

The developer who now owns the site of the old building has suggested they display some of the coins in the new vestibule as well as use the date stone in the new construction.

The other documents may be **buried again in a new bigger time capsule** that will include newspapers and coins from today, along with some other ideas such as a letter, a mobile phone (with instructions!), photos, stories and suggestions from both children and adults about our life as a church today. We have a **heritage month in September** and, given that is the very month 91 years ago that the original time capsule was buried, we might do it all again, keeping the story of the church going, so that another generation can see in another 100 years' time over 200 years of Christian heritage in this place.

Let us have all your **time capsule suggestions** before September (0141 942 8827, mail@nkchurch.org.uk).

Anniversary of the Parish

Remember a year ago when we had breakfast with the Moderator?

This year we celebrate **376 years of being a parish** in a much lower key and you have to provide your own breakfast at home!

However, celebrate we shall and recognise the continuing story of New Kilpatrick, not just who we have been, but focused on who we are becoming. Always becoming.

Sunday 16th February at 10.30, which is the actual date 376 years ago when we became a parish. Let's tell our story and share our hopes.

NK Ramblers

The next NK Ramblers walk is on Saturday 15 February: Kilpatrick's Circular - a moderate walk that was postponed from last November.

Please contact the organiser if you wish to attend. Contact details are on the poster in the hall walkround. All who like to walk are welcome.

Glasgow City Mission

Special Pop-Up Appeal:

The Mission is looking for the following items for men: NEW boxer shorts, socks, and toiletries.

There is a box in the hall walkround, which will be there until Sunday 16 February. Thank you!

Discussion Nights: Think Again

We know a faith that is broad and wide. We stretch ourselves in how we tell our story trying to hear it in fresh ways that engage us and move us and help us engage with the world more as the kingdom of God.

We do that in our Bible story but there is space for a deeper conversation about faith and how we speak of the church, the kingdom and God. So, we relaunch 'Think Again' which will be a monthly space for us to jump into an idea and discuss it fully and openly.

It comes with a warning that we will possibly stray into areas that will make us question, that invite us to completely rethink, even question some of our core ideas to reinvent them.

We begin Think Again in the hall next Thursday, February 13th. We'll begin with short sections of a video to start the discussion and grow from there not knowing where we will end up and how deep we will go.

Thinking Allowed

A new series of Thinking Allowed talks starts at Cairns Church, Milngavie, on Thursday 20 February, 7.30pm for 8pm.

This is the first Thinking Allowed meeting being held in partnership with New Kilpatrick. The current suggestion is that sessions will be held alternately between Cairns and New Kilpatrick, developing and strengthening our Christian community.

On 20th February at Cairns, **David Wilbourne** will be asking if we can trust the Gospels.

In a few key passages, David, a prolific author and reviewer and Honorary Assistant Bishop of York, will discuss detecting the original gospel text from the clues later copies give us: an evolutionary process, shaped by contemporary fashions, sacred and secular.

The first Thinking Allowed at New Kilpatrick is on Tuesday 25th March. Details to follow.

Catterburn Concert

Kilmardinny Trefoil Guild and Girl Guiding Dunbartonshire are organising a concert by Bearsden Fiddlers in Clydebank Town Hall this Saturday, 8th February at 7pm.

All proceeds go towards refurbishment of the Brownie house at Catterburn. Tickets £10 available from Liz James jamesfamily6@btinternet.com

NK Book Group

Thank you to those who came along last week to the first meeting of the book club and to those who spoke to Barbara Ann or emailed with their views on the book.

The next meeting should have been on Tuesday 25th February; however, the Kirk Session meet that evening, so the date has been changed to MONDAY 3RD MARCH at 7.30pm in the hall walkround when the book to be discussed is *The Girl in the White Kimono* by Ana Johns.

St Gregory's Food Bank

It was a joy to see the NK trug overflowing with donations this week! Our congregation's kindness is a lifeline to so many in the community.

However, the need for donations is still great. Last year, the St Gregory's volunteers gave out 15,326 bags to service users - each bag valued at about £10.75. Please continue to help—the following items are most needed:

Basic non-perishable nutritional foods, e.g. canned chicken, meat, beans, fish & fruit, peanut butter (liked by both kids and adults and high in protein), pasta and pasta sauce, rice, coffee and tea. Baby essentials. Also, monetary donations are greatly appreciated. The Halls are open from Monday to Friday (9.00 am to 2.30 pm) and Sunday mornings.

Prayer Diary

New Kilpatrick has a weekly prayer diary that is written each week to remind us of events, people, and concerns that we might pray for in our own prayer life.

If you would like to send a prayer request to the prayer diary to be included (someone in your family needing support, a concern, a hope) then please simply write that request on a slip of paper and pop it in the prayer box in the hall Walkround. Or don't hesitate to contact mail@nkchurch.org.uk No one is mentioned by name; we use initials to keep confidences. The halls are open Monday - Friday, 9am - 2.30pm and Sunday mornings, and slips of paper and pens are left by the prayer box.

If you would like to be part of the prayer team and take a turn writing simple bullet points of prayer, please let the office know (0141 942 8827, mail@nkchurch.org.uk). We'd be very grateful to anyone who can support and encourage this significant ministry.

Glebe Car Park Charges:

You may have noticed that the council are intending to charge for using the Glebe Car Park.

As a congregation we are making a response to this, but you may wish to write individually to the council. The proposal is to charge from 8am-6pm Monday to Saturday. The payments will be:

0-2 hours - £2
2-3 hours - £3
3-4 hours - £4
4+ hours - £6

Perhaps the first hour ought to be free.

Perhaps the traders and staff ought to have free parking.

Perhaps school drop-off and pick-up should be thought about as the area of parking in front to the church hall will be constantly blocked.

If you would like to make comment to the council this has to be done by 28th February 2025 and sent to Legal Services, 12 Strathkelvin Place, Kirkintilloch, G66 1TJ

Those we have lost:

We record their names here and celebrate what they have been to us.

William M Freeman, Queensberry Avenue (17.01.21)

Thought for the Week

"Study the past, if you would divine the future"

(Confucius, (551 - 479 BCE)
Chinese philosopher)

Lost Property: From this Sunday, a table of lost property will be found in the church hall walkround and will remain there until Sunday 23 February, when any remaining items will go to a local charity shop.

The Diary

Thursday 6 February

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall

Bible for Duffers 7.30pm, hall.
Matthew 5: 38-48

Friday 7 February

Coffee Pot 10am in the hall.

Sunday 9 February

Morning Worship 10.30am.

Short Communion after morning worship

Desert Island Hymns 6.30pm in the hall.

Our castaway is Sandy Orrock.

NK Youth Club 7.15pm in the hall.

Monday 10 February

NK Country Dance Club 7.30pm in the hall.

Tuesday 11 February

Baby and Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround

The Guild 2pm, hall. War Graves Commission

Faith Team meeting 7.30pm in the hall.

Wednesday 12 February

Baby and Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround

Midweek Service 11am in the hall

Business Committee meeting 7.30pm, hall.

Thursday 13 February

Baby and Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall.

Think Again 7.30pm in the hall.

Friday 14 February

Coffee Pot from 10am in the hall.

Sunday 16 February

Morning Worship for the 376th Anniversary of the Parish 10.30am

Healing Service in the chapel 11.30am

Words and Music 6.30pm in the hall

NK Youth Club 7.15pm in the hall

Monday 17 February:

The Monday Club for seniors 2pm in the hall.

NK Country Dance Club 7.30pm in the hall.

Tuesday 18 February:

Baby and Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround

SingSong! 2pm in the hall.

Bible for Duffers 7.30pm, hall. Matthew 6:5-15

Wednesday 19 February:

Baby and Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround

Midweek Service 11am in the hall

Finance Committee meeting 7.30pm, hall

Thursday 20 February:

Baby and Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall.



Lesley with the order of service from 1934

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