

## 24 November

## **NK Heritage Forum**

The next meeting of the Heritage Forum is tonight, Thursday 24 November, at 7.30 pm in the hall.

There will be a PowerPoint presentation and talk on those men commemorated on the war memorial in the West Porch. All are welcome to attend.

#### The Guild

The Guild Christmas Craft Fair and Coffee Morning is this Saturday, 26 November, from 10am - 12noon.

Home-baking, crafts, bookstall and jigsaws. The craft tables are laden with a wide variety of goods.

Enjoy a nice cup of tea, coffee, or juice with home-baking.

This is the perfect opportunity to buy gifts for family and friends - or for yourself.

Then the Guild meets again on Tuesday, 29 November, at 1.30pm in the church hall.

**Rachel Rutherford will** be playing and talking about her clarsach.

All welcome: both members and those who would like to come along and keep warm on a Tuesday afternoon. We look forward to welcoming some men too.

#### **Bible for Duffers**

There are no experts and we're all learners. In fact, we have decided to call this Bible for Duffers just to prove the point. This Tuesday, 7.30pm in the hall: Christmas Bible Study.

# **Something Different for S1-S3**

We meet again on Sunday 4 December at 7.15pm in the church hall.

If you have any questions, please speak to Alex or Roddy.

## **Kelvingrove Organ Recitals**

Chris Nickol is playing the organ recitals at Kelvingrove Art Gallery on the following dates: Saturday December 3rd; Wednesday December 28th. They're all at 1pm.

For further information visit the website organrecitals.uk

#### **Christian Aid Coffee**

Coffee following worship on Sunday 4th December will be served by the Christian Aid Committee as part of our Christian Aid Christmas Appeal.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible there with the extra enticement of home baking!

## **Friendship Group**

The Friendship Group is a chance for those who have been bereaved to drop in for coffee/tea and a friendly chat with others in similar circumstances. The next meeting is Monday, 5 December.

# **Warm Spaces**

Now the weather is changing, we are opening up our warm spaces filled with activities to keep us connected.

We are offering knitting circles, singing, crafts, a book club. We're exploring art and keep fit too, all of which will be advertised here.

We are initially open on a Monday morning, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning through to early afternoon and a Friday morning through into the afternoon, all beginning next week.

We're just putting all the details in place, but everything will be on the website with events and times.

# Gardening Group Log Sale Locally grown air-dried logs for sale at £5 per bag.

phone or e-mail Tom McCubbin tom@mccubbin.org.uk

#### **Christmas Tree Decoration Outreach**

We know some of you have started knitting and crafting for the 350 decorations that we are hoping to send out within our parish, accompanied by a Christmas card from the Sunday School. To encourage more of you we are having a workshop, or knitter-crafternatter on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November at the New Halls between 10am and 12noon. Lots of materials will be there – wool, knitting

needles, fabric, scissors, lots of cones with spray glitter etc and patterns, plans, or bring your own. Tea, coffee and cake will also be provided but you will need to provide your own chat.

It is quite a big project to cover our own members and all the Care Homes in the area, so we will be very happy to have your help, either on Monday 28th, the following Monday, 5th December or in your own time at home. Please email kirsteen7@btinternet.com if you require patterns or materials to get started. We are aiming to have the decorations ready for the 12th - 15th December.

# Foodbank Donations GIFT SERVICE – 11th DECEMBER 2022

Christmas is fast approaching - a time to think about others and to show that we care by giving gifts to those in need.

'For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.' Matthew 25:35

This year our donations will go to **St. Gregory's Food Bank.** It would be wonderful if we could help bring some happiness and hope to others.

All <u>non-perishable</u> foods will be most welcome - e.g., tins of meat, tuna, spaghetti, baked beans, fruit, also jam, custard, cooking oil and pasta. Baby essentials. Pet foods.

As a special Christmas gift, St. Gregory's have suggested that they would be delighted if we also included boxes of chocolates, sweets and festive biscuits. (Please do not wrap). Monetary donations are also most acceptable.

The Halls are open for receiving donations from 9.00 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. (Mon to Fri) and Sunday mornings. If you are housebound and wish to donate, please contact Muriel Salmond (942 8484) and one of our team will be happy to collect from you.

Sadly, our other charity, Birth, Baby and Beyond, has closed down with immediate effect. All Baby Essentials will now be gratefully received by St. Gregory's. Baby essentials - formula, food pouches, nappies, cream.

## Can you help?

The Communications Task Group are looking for volunteers to help with our Warm Spaces programme over the Winter months and possibly beyond.

### **Photographer**

Are you a strong digital photographer who has an eye for taking and editing photographs during church events? We are looking for volunteers who are competent in using digital tools such as Photoshop, Video, etc, so that we can use the images in our different printed and social media platforms.

#### **Microsoft Publisher**

Would you be able to lend some of your time in creating communications using the above Microsoft App? Looking for volunteers with experience and knowledge of the Publisher tool.

#### **Warm Spaces**

In the run up to Christmas and beyond, we will be opening NK as a Warm Space. If you could volunteer some hours to engage with those coming in, make teas, coffees, etc, then we would be very grateful. This is one way we can welcome our parish into the church community and show a generous friendship to all.

We will begin offering warm spaces on Monday morning, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning and into the afternoon, and Friday morning up to 1pm. We may be able to extend these depending on the help we get.

If you can help, please email geraldinedonnan@yahoo.co.uk

## **Abbeyfield**

Our local Abbeyfield is a large Victorian sandstone villa situated in Grange Road Bearsden offering supported living accommodation for those over 60 years.

There are 10 ensuite rooms which can all be furnished by the occupant. High quality meals are served twice a day, along with cleaning and laundry provision. The gardens, with a Summer House and seating area, are for the use of residents.

Abbeyfield is a charitable organisation run by a Board of Trustees, all of whom are volunteers. They have overall responsibility for the finance, maintenance of the property and most importantly the care and wellbeing of the residents. The latter ably supported by excellent staff.

Viewing is by arrangement with the House Supervisor. Tel. 0141 942 8014

## **Glasgow City Mission**

Once more, we are seeking volunteers to help with those who are homeless over the winter.

Every year for the last number of years, we have had a group of volunteers from New Kilpatrick who have taken a week to help the Mission care for those who sleep on the streets.

This year we are once more seeking volunteers, but the pattern is different. It only runs from a Monday to a Friday and from 6pm - 8.30pm each evening of the week, and it is based at Crimea Street, where Glasgow City Mission have their headquarters.

If you feel able to volunteer some of your time to help with this, please contact Margaret Johnston (0141 563 9899, maj@ntlworld.com) There are weeks in December, January, and February available. Margaret has all the details.

# YouTube Worship

The video is still being produced each week. So, if you can't come along to the service in the church, the video is still waiting for you, along with the podcast and phone line service. Indeed, even if you are at the service in church, you can enjoy it all over again online. Just click on the link on our website, or search for New Kilpatrick on YouTube.



In a couple of weeks



Welcome to a new season of Advent

### **Diary**

Thursday 24 November
Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall
Heritage Forum 7.30pm in the hall

Friday 25 November Coffee Pot 10.30am in the hall

Saturday 26 November
Guild Christmas Craft and Coffee Morning
10am-12noon in the hall.

Sunday 27 November Morning Worship (Advent 1)

10.30am in the church

**Evening Worship** 6.30pm in the hall Life Stories 'Where do we belong?', led by Alex MacCallum.

Monday 28 November Christmas Crafting Workshop to spread cheer to local care homes and others. 10am-12noon in the hall

**Tuesday 29 November** 

**Guild:** 1.30pm in the hall **Bible for Duffers:** 7.30pm in the hall

Wednesday 30 November Midweek Service 11am in the hall

Thursday 1 December Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall

Friday 2 December
Coffee Pot 10.30am in the hall

Sunday 4 December Morning Worship (Advent 2)

10.30am in the church

**Christian Aid Coffee** after morning worship **A Healing Service** 6.30pm in the hall **Something Different** 7.15pm in the hall

Monday 5 December
Friendship Group 10.30am in the hall
Christmas Crafting Workshop to spread
cheer to local care homes and others.
10am-12noon in the hall

Tuesday 6 December SingSong! 1.30pm in the hall

Wednesday 7 December Midweek Service 11am in the hall

Thursday 8 December
Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall
Kirk Session meeting 7.30pm in the hall