



15 August 2024

Communion

Did you miss the heatwave? The days of ice cream and strawberries on the lawn? The picnics with friends? The garden parties and weekly barbecues? The ice cream Irn Bru floats?

Well, don't miss the coming together again of the congregation after said summer to share in the one meal that counts, round the table with every generation. We share communion on Sunday 25th August at 10.30 with a fresh sense of being together as a congregation. It is an open table. It is there for those who are certain and those who doubt, those who like answers and those who prefer questions, for those who have strong faith and those who have none. All belong. Just bring yourself. Love is already waiting.

Dedication Service

Following communion on the 25th, as part of our 375th parish anniversary activities, we have a special service of dedication on Sunday 1st September.

We celebrate the continuing story of New Kilpatrick over the last 375 years, and longer, adding our names and experiences and stories to the bigger story of faith in this place. It is just one day but a day where we connect lots of dots and turn ourselves from past to future and where that unknown land might take us.

From traditional hymns to contemporary, weel kent readings, to the same readings told in a new way, things learned and things still to learn, a day to be who we are, here and now, carrying the story of our faith for our parish and future.

And there is **special anniversary chocolate** to be had.

Coffee Pot:

A reminder for those who have reserved their places that the Coffee Pot Summer Lunch is from 12noon till 3pm in NK's hall tomorrow, Friday, 16 August.

There will still be coffee and biscuits at the usual Coffee Pot time from 10am.

East Dunbartonshire Doors Open Day

The Church will be open on Saturday 7 September from 10am - 12.30pm & 1.45pm -3.45pm with guided tours of the church and graveyard during the morning and afternoon.

Come and learn more about our rich history dating back to the 13th Century and about our stained-glass windows featuring masterpieces by acclaimed artists Stephen Adams, Alfred and Gordon Webster.

Macmillan Garden Coffee Day

We are again having an event, to tie in with the Macmillan World's Largest Coffee Day, at 25 Gartconnell Road on Saturday 31st August.

To support this good cause, please email kirsteen7@btinternet.com or telephone 0141 942 7603, to book one of the following slots:

11.30am -12.30pm,
1.30-2.30pm or 3-4pm

Or a donation can be made at www.justgiving.com/CM24017949.

NK Flower Delivery

We are indebted to all those who help arrange and distribute flowers each Sunday and thank those who are no longer able to help.

We are looking for distributors to help deliver 2 or 3 bunches on a Sunday after church. It's likely to be twice a year.

If you can help or wish more information, please contact Eileen Young on 07762899127 or eileenyoung1@gmail.com

Crossreach

The national church is looking for congregations to appoint a Crossreach Champion.

If you would like to help promote the work of **Crossreach** in our congregation and community and help to keep their work in our thoughts, please contact the office (0141 942 8827, mail@nkchurch.org.uk).

The Late Rikki Fulton

We have been approached by Hopscotch Films who are producing a tribute to the late Rikki Fulton to mark his birth centenary.

It is planned to show this on BBC TV in January. They have been told that Rikki Fulton greatly appreciated the welcome he had received from everyone at NK and have asked if anyone has any stories about him and his attendance at NK, and that we put you in touch with them. If you have anything suitable, please let the office know (0141 942 8827, mail@nkchurch.org.uk).

They have also asked to film a service at NK to provide further background. This is planned for Sunday 8 September. The film crew will be here early to get some external shots, and to film members as they arrive for worship. They will then also film during the service. Your attendance that Sunday will be taken as consent to appear in the film, and if you do not wish to appear please sit in the King Memorial, or in the gallery. If they film you on your way into church, please simply ask them to edit you out again! They have promised to be unobtrusive, and there will be no rehearsals, nor will you need to arrive early - it will simply be an ordinary Sunday with a baptism and a film crew in attendance!

Glasgow City Mission Fundraiser

On Friday 6th September, **Eileen Young** will be launching off from a crane down a zip wire alongside the river Clyde! She is hoping to raise £500 to support the work of The Mission.

If you are able to donate, please use this link. <https://glasgowcitymission.enthuse.com/pf/eileen-young>

Summer Services

It's the last of our shared summer services at Bearsden Cross Parish Church this Sunday, 18 August.

All services are at 10.30am. If you are needing permission for parking at the Cross Church, please contact the church directly.

New Kilpatrick Ramblers

The next NK Ramblers walk is this Saturday 17 August. This is a moderate walk starting at Bridge of Allan station and following the Darn Walk along the River Allan to Dunblane: an ancient path with some interesting features. Please contact the organiser (Peter Knapman) directly should you wish to attend: 0141 942 0818 pknapman@btinternet.com

Further information, including meeting place, time and cost is on a poster on the church hall noticeboard. All who like to walk are welcome.

St Gregory's Food Bank

St. Gregory's are really grateful to those who have continued to donate throughout the school holidays.

Please keep filling our trug. Tins of meat, fish and vegetables are most welcome, along with the usual non-perishable foods and baby essentials. As before, monetary gifts are very acceptable. We shall be delivering donations weekly again from Tuesday 20th August.

"Grow for St. Gregory's" - If you wish to donate freshly harvested vegetables, please put them in the labelled box beside the trug on a Monday.

The halls are open Monday to Friday (9.00 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.) and Sunday mornings

Orchard Cafe, St Mark's Drumchapel

St Marks church in Drumchapel run a community cafe from the church. They are hoping to develop and expand their opening hours but need some extra volunteers as there is only a very small pool at the moment.

If this is something you might be interested in supporting (it is not a long term commitment but an invitation to be involved as much or as little as you choose) then please contact the office here (0141 942 8827, mail@nkchurch.org.uk) and we will pass on your name.

They would be particularly delighted to recruit volunteers who have completed the REHIS Food Hygiene course, but essentially, they'd welcome anyone who would be willing to help out in any way.

Diary

Thursday 15 August

Baby & Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround.

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall.

Friday 16 August

Coffee Pot 10am in the hall, followed by

Coffee Pot Summer Lunch 12noon-3pm for those who have reserved places.

Sunday 18 August

Morning Worship 10.30am

The last of our shared summer services at Bearsden Cross Parish Church

Monday 19 August

Monday Club 2pm in the hall.

Tuesday 20 August

Baby & Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround.

SingSong! 2pm in the hall.

Wednesday 21 August

Baby & Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround.

Midweek Service 11am in the hall, followed by coffee and cake.

Thursday 22 August

Baby & Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround.

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall.

Friday 23 August

Coffee Pot 10am in the hall.

Sunday 25 August

Morning Worship 10.30am

All-Age Family Communion at New Kilpatrick

Tuesday 27 August

Baby and Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround

Wednesday 28 August

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Midweek Service 11am in the hall, followed by coffee and cake.

Thursday 29 August

Baby and Toddlers 9.15am in the walkround

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall

Heritage Forum 7.30pm in the hall

Those we have lost:

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

Morag Bishop, Douglas Gardens (30.07.24)

Thought for the Week

What's a man's first duty?

The answer's brief: To be himself

(Henrik Ibsen, from Peer Gynt)