



**12 September 2024**

# BEARSDEN FESTIVAL

**The Bearsden Festival is delighted to announce that on 5<sup>th</sup> October there will be a Community Day for all the family being held in the BB Hall, NK Halls and the Stables from 11am to 3pm.**

There will be a **Societies Fair** for anyone wanting to try a new hobby or sport this winter, **craft stalls, a jazz band, face painting, hot rolls** served by the Boys Brigade and a **Cake Stall** from Café Crème. Children can **play** all day in the Manse Garden with the experts from **Operation Play Outdoors**, create **Lego** masterpieces with Creatovators and come along to the **Toy Swap**.

If you would like to contribute to the Toy Swap, please bring along clean toys and games with all parts intact. These can be delivered in advance to the Walkround from 5pm to 6pm on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October, but families can also come along on the day to swap a toy on a one- in one-out basis.

There will be another of our popular early evening **all-age ceilidhs** in the Hall from 6pm to 8pm. This is free of charge and can be booked on Bookitbee. [Bearsden Festival Family ceilidh \(bookitbee.com\)](http://Bearsden Festival Family ceilidh (bookitbee.com))

We do need some **volunteers** to make the day a success. There are sign-up sheets in the Walkround, or email Jane or Katie to find out more on [info@bearsdenfestival.org](mailto:info@bearsdenfestival.org).

See you there!

## Harvest

**Harvest is always a unique time of year for us and this year is no different.**

As it is the last big event of our 375<sup>th</sup> anniversary we are doing it in style. This bulletin will give you all the details, but **we begin on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October with a harvest lunch** organised by the Coffee Pot. You'll need tickets for that as there is a limited number of spaces, but you'll be served soup and crumble, and it will be fabulous.

While that is happening, the **Country Dance Festival** is happening in Milngavie which is for local primary schools. It is not a public event as such, but it is good to be aware that is going on, with the chance to bring these primary schools together, and all the massive work the country dance team do with that.

Saturday is **Bearsden Festival's Community Day** with a bundle of things happening for everyone. Have a good read because there will definitely be something there for you to enjoy, from a societies fair to crafts, a toy swap to garden play, a burger from the BB to coffee with Café Crème, (as well as, perhaps, volunteer for a few hours if you can!).

Sunday is the **Harvest Festival service** itself with breakfast beforehand in the same style as the one we had in February with the moderator. (It feels like a weekend of eating!) We'll have lots of singing and colour and thanksgiving at the service at 10.30, along with a few farmers with tractors in the churchyard too. Who doesn't want to play on a tractor?! We'll also have the Boys' Brigade with us in the morning for their enrollment parade.

Then we start our **evening services** that evening with a calm and gentle Iona style communion in the chapel.

Exhausted? You will be!

## Coffee Pot Harvest Lunch:

If anybody has **spare cooking apples from their garden**, the next Coffee Pot lunch is on Friday 4 October and will feature apple crumbles. Please bring your spare garden apples to the office.

## Guild - Bearsden Festival

**The Guild have been invited to have a craft table on Saturday 5 October for the Bearsden Festival Clubs and Societies Fair.**

**Calling all crafters!** If you have any donations, please contact Linda Jolly (0141 563 8869, [lindajolly2@outlook.com](mailto:lindajolly2@outlook.com))

## Drive to Church:

**The way we do church is always changing but one of the things we do best is meet together on a Sunday and be a living community.**

There are a number of people who are unable to make it by themselves, and we have received a few requests to bring back the drive to church scheme.

It would be a good thing if we were able to do this and, thus, we are looking for volunteers who might be able to add their name to a list of drivers. You may not be able to offer every week, or you may be coming anyway and, if you don't already (because we know a good number already share cars and offer lifts), you may be able to offer a seat for someone who would like to attend but can't because of lack of transport.

If you are able to help, please contact the office (0141 942 8827, [mail@kchurch.org.uk](mailto:mail@kchurch.org.uk)) and we will create a **list of possible drivers** and match that list with a growing one of folk who would appreciate a lift.

## Outreach Autumn 2024

**We are planning our next Outreach project to go out on 1<sup>st</sup> October.**

For this there is straightforward knitting and/or baking, and workshops planned for September 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> September from 10am - 12noon in the halls.

For those who have been before, but also for those who would like to try it out, there will be a bit of simple crafting - you don't need to knit or bake - and filling of bags, together with plenty of tea, coffee and chat.

Anyone new to the group, please give your name to the office for further details (0141 942 8827, [mail@nkchurch.org.uk](mailto:mail@nkchurch.org.uk))

## The Bible for Duffers

**Come and explore the Bible with us as we consider the passages that we will meet on Sunday mornings.** Every fortnight (Tuesday or Thursday) at 7.30pm in the hall. The next meeting is tonight, 12 September. Colossians 3: 12-17.

## New Kilpatrick Ramblers

**The next NK Ramblers walk is on Saturday 28 September.** Portnacross circular, including Goldenberry Hill - a moderate walk. Further information, including meeting place, time and cost is on a poster on the church hall noticeboard.

All who like to walk are welcome.

Here is a photo of a recent walk to Duncolm in the Kilpatrick Hills.



## Lavender bags for the Textile cabinet.

**Donations sought to create a moth deterrent. Please bring lavender flower heads from your garden to the church office. We need enough to fill about 18 small cotton bags.**

Cotton bags with a ball of seeds were recently given to the congregation. If you have empty ones, please contact [crissiewhite@ntlworld.com](mailto:crissiewhite@ntlworld.com) or phone 0141 943 1151. These could be filled with lavender to make a moth deterrent for our linens and falls. Thank you.

## Those we have lost:

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

**Jimmy Dinsmore**, West Chapelton Crescent (29.08.24)

**Elizabeth MacMillan**, Campsie Drive (31.08.24)

## Thought for the Week

**"The man who makes no mistakes does not usually make anything".**

(Edward Phelps, lawyer and U.S. Ambassador to the U.K. 1885 - 1889)

## St Gregory's Food Bank

*"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: v.35).*

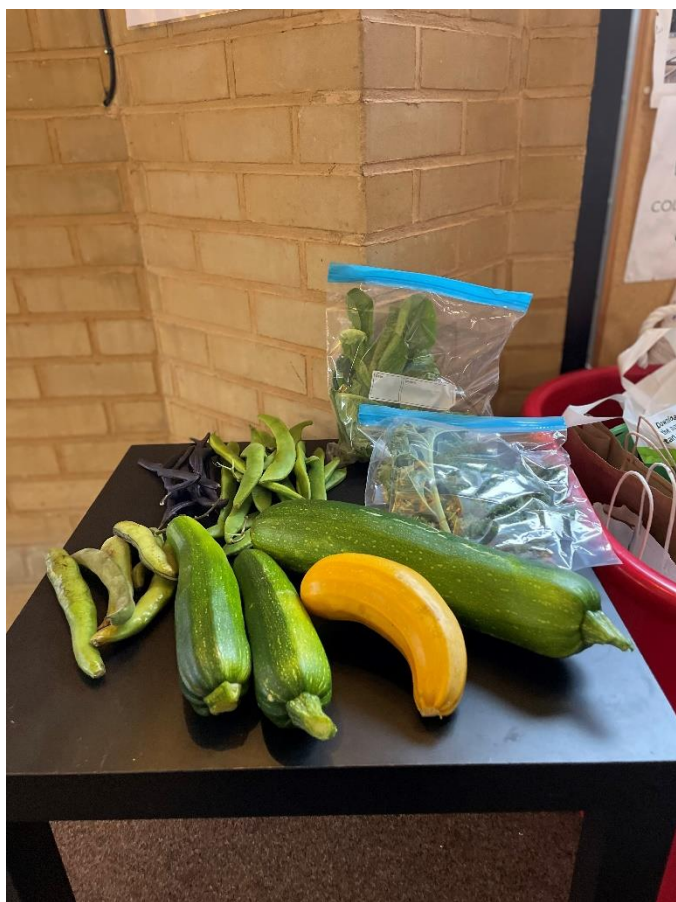
### HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE - 6th OCTOBER.

Harvest is a wonderful opportunity to be reminded of the many things we can take for granted. It is a time for us to think of others and to fill our trug with an abundance of tinned and dried produce. There are many in need who are just a short distance away from New Kilpatrick.

All non-perishable foods are very welcome - e.g. high-protein tinned foods, pasta, rice, coffee, tea, biscuits, tinned fruit and peanut butter. Also, baby essentials. As always, monetary donations are most acceptable.

**Grow for St. Gregory's:** Freshly harvested vegetables are welcome; please put them in the labelled box beside the Trug on a Monday. Anyone who would like information about fresh, homegrown produce, please contact Peter Davies (email: [psd@dmgovan.com](mailto:psd@dmgovan.com)).

A photo of recent garden donations:



The halls are open Monday to Friday (9 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.) and Sunday mornings.

## Glasgow City Mission Zip Slide and Open Day

**Very many thanks to all who donated towards this fundraiser.**

It was a fantastic experience. Currently, I have raised an amazing £1880. There's still time to donate - it would be great to get to £2000!  
<https://glasgowcitymission.enthuse.com/profile>

The GCM building at **20 Crimea Street** will be open **on Saturday 21 September** as part of the Glasgow Doors Open Days Festival. You are very welcome to pop in **between 10:00 and 17:00** to learn of the breadth of their work

Eileen Young

## Thinking Allowed

**Rev Dr Norman Shanks will share insights about church, society and faith - from his experience of working in the Civil Service, as a university chaplain, a university lecturer, a Church of Scotland parish minister, and in the voluntary sector.**

A revised edition of his book - *God's energy: the vision and spirituality of the Iona Community* - was published in 2009 by Wild Goose Publications.

Tonight, Thursday 12 September 2024 at Cairns Church, Milngavie. 7.30 for 8pm.

## Bearsden & Milngavie Macular Support Group

**A friendly group of people who meet once a month in Bearsden Cross Church.**

All have vision problems but get support from each other.

Advice, information and social interaction. Anyone with macular degeneration or any other sight problem is welcome. A family member or friend is also welcome.

Meetings are the last Wednesday of each month (with the exception of July, August and December). Doors open at 12.30 with a welcoming coffee/tea and biscuits. Meetings 1-2.30pm.

Speakers range from a police officer giving safety advice and providers of appropriate equipment to a university professor deeply involved in macular degeneration research.

For more information, contact Aoife Mooney on 07586 128808 or [aoife.mooney@macularsociety.org](mailto:aoife.mooney@macularsociety.org)

Or just come along on the day.



## NK Heritage Forum

Many thanks to the NK Heritage Forum for organising our recent Open Day.

The Forum is open to all with an interest in the history of the parish. The next meeting is in the church hall on Thursday 26 September at 7.30pm.



New Kilpatrick's pulpit falls on display at our recent Open Day.

## Difficulty Reading Local News

The Bearsden and Milngavie Talking Newspaper Association - BEAM - provides recordings each week to the blind and visually impaired in the local community of the Milngavie & Bearsden Herald and extracts from the Community News. Stories from the likes of the Scottish Book Trust are added to give a bit of lighthearted interest.

Free easy to use boom boxes are supplied and the Post Office's free postal service for the blind allows BEAM to provide this service to all listeners at no cost to them

BEAM needs your help to reach those members of the community who might be interested in having BEAM's service. There is no need for anyone to be registered blind or visually impaired to have the service. Please let people know about this opportunity. Contact Alisdair Meldrum, BEAM Chair, on 07597 519791 or [BEAMrecordings@outlook.com](mailto:BEAMrecordings@outlook.com)

## Diary

**Thursday 12 September**

**Baby and Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall

**Bible for Duffers** 7.30pm in the hall

**Friday 13 September**

**Coffee Pot** 10am in the hall.

**Sunday 15 September**

**Morning Worship** 10.30am

There will be a Cradle Roll Ceremony and Tea Party for those recently baptised at NK in the hall with the Sunday School.

**Monday 16 September**

**Outreach Workshop** 10am-12noon, hall.

**The Monday Club** 2pm in the hall.

**Tuesday 17 September**

**Baby & Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround.

**SingSong!** 2pm in the hall.

**Wednesday 18 September**

**Baby & Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround.

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

**Thursday 19 September**

**Baby & Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround.

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall

**Friday 20 September**

**Coffee Pot** 10am in the hall.

**Sunday 22 September**

**Morning Worship** 10.30am

**Monday 23 September**

**Outreach Workshop** 10am-12noon, hall.

**Tuesday 24 September**

**Baby and Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround

**Bible for Duffers** 7.30pm in the hall.

**Wednesday 25 September**

**Baby and Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround

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

**Thursday 26 September**

**Baby and Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall

**Heritage Forum** 7.30pm in the hall