

New Kilpatrick Bulletin 8 May 2025

Coffee Pot Lunch

Tomorrow, Friday 9th May, Memory of Wartime lunch to commemorate **VE day**. **12noon to 2pm** in the hall. Soup and Rhubarb & Apple Crumble. Suggested donation of £3:00

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2025

Christian Aid Week this year will take place 11th - 17th May.

With your support Christian Aid can fund vital training so communities, in places like Guatemala, can fight the effects of the climate crisis. (<https://www.christianaid.org.uk>)

We will have envelopes in the pews on Sunday 11th and 18th of May to allow you to donate. There is also the opportunity to donate directly into the church account - Ref: *Christian Aid*, (Account Name: *New Kilpatrick Parish Church*, Sort code: *80-05-57*, Account number: *00701598*) or by simply handing your donation into the church office.

You can donate using the QR code:



Depending on where you stay you may get a leaflet through the door with details of how you can donate through the Bearsden Area Christian Aid Week Justgiving page at www.justgiving.com/page/bearsden-christian-aid-5

Many, many thanks for your ongoing support - we have **“Seven Days to Make a Difference”**.

NOTE - Coffee following worship this Sunday will be in aid of Christian Aid where you can enjoy the delights of some home baking!

A reminder to those delivering that your Christian Aid bag with leaflets can be picked up in The Walkround. Thank you once again.

Coffee Concert

An hour of opera pops, arias and ensembles from favourite operas, featuring students from the Royal Conservatoire Scotland.

Bearsden Cross Church, Sat 17 May, 11.30am. Minimum donation £12, payable at the door. All proceeds to Christian Aid.

Outreach Project

Calling all knitters, origamists and bakers - there is an exciting new Outreach project awaiting you!

Your distribution over these last years has been much appreciated and now is the time to reach out again.

If you can knit plain and purl, fold paper or bake, then you should join our latest venture. You can enjoy the crafting at home, or at Monday morning workshops on Mondays 19th and 26th May & 2nd June from 10am-12 - remember the chat, laughs, coffee, and cake! - in time for distribution during the week of 2nd June.

Please contact Kirsteen Maclean (942 7603/ kirsteen7@btinternet.com) for further information.

Sing-along at NK

Come along and sing the classics on Friday 30th May at 7.30.

The programme will include **Bach's Jesu, joy of man's desiring & Handel's Hallelujah Chorus (Messiah)**: so, if any of you sing in a church choir, or choral society, **please do bring along your copies of these two pieces and join in with the S.A.T.B. harmony!**

On **Friday 20th June, again at 7.30, we do it all again but to Classic Pop** from Dancing Queen to Yesterday and everything in between. All accompanied amazingly by Chris Nickol.

Tickets are a complete bargain at **£10 for the two concerts or £7 for one.**

Funds are for the church, and we invite you to bring as many friends and family along to both fabulous concerts.

Bearsden Parking

A wee reminder for those who are of a mind to write to the council about parking charges, you have until 16 May to do so. Please refer to the previous Bulletin for details.

New Members

We are pushing the New Members' classes forward to September and will be in touch before then with all those who have expressed an interest.

St Gregory's Food Bank

It was really encouraging to see so many nutritious foods in our trug this week - your generous donations mean so much to so many. Please continue to give canned tuna, meat, vegetables and fruit which are highly sought after. Rice, pasta and pasta sauce are also needed along with cereals, tea and coffee. Toiletries like shampoo and toothpaste are appreciated as well as baby wipes and large size nappies. As always, monetary donations are most gratefully received.

The Hall is open Monday to Friday (9 a.m. - 2.30 p.m.) and Sunday mornings.

Grow for St Gregory's

Last year Peter Spencer Davies, church member and keen vegetable grower, was able to donate excess vegetables to the donations in the walkaround for St Gregory's church foodbank. Peter would be delighted if other church members would like to join 'Grow for St Gregory's this year.

As Peter pointed out, one does not need a garden in order to grow vegetables. Many can be grown in compost in tubs or large pots on a patio or other outdoor space that is exposed to sunshine. Peter is willing to give help and guidance to anyone who would like to join 'Grow for St Gregory's. If you would like to see how Peter grows his veg or if you have any questions, please email him at psd@dmgovan.com.

Milk Bottle Tops

Put your milk bottle tops in the box provided in the hall walkround. The Bearsden & Milngavie Macular Support Group will send them on to Pathfinder Dogs, who sell them to a factory that makes useful objects from them. Please note, **ONLY MILK BOTTLE TOPS ARE ELIGIBLE.** No other plastic tops please.

NK Book Club

Here are the dates and books going forward. Looking forward to our discussions. All are welcome to come along to the hall and join in. Happy reading!

May - 'The Covenant of Water' by Abraham Verghese.
Meeting Tuesday 27th May at 7.30pm.

June - 'Black Roses' by Jane Thynne.
Meeting Tuesday 24th June at 7.30pm.

Glasgow Presbytery Knitting Challenge

Glasgow Close Knit is an initiative launched by the Presbytery of Glasgow and homeless charity, the Lodging House Mission, as part of the anniversary celebrations marking **850 years since Glasgow became a Bishop's Burgh.** Churchgoers and friends are enthusiastically knitting and crocheting **eight-inch squares to create single-bed-sized blankets**, which will be displayed in several locations in the city before being distributed to those in our community in need of comfort and warmth. **The target is 850 blankets!**

At New Kilpatrick, we are using **DK yarn in shades of blue and green for our squares**, and we are already well on the way to our first blanket. We would love you to join this exciting project if you can. There is **a box in the walkround for collecting squares, and you are welcome to take some wool from there.** Any pattern at all is wonderful. Hopefully, we'll be able to start sewing up at the beginning of June.

There will be a Knitting Together event in the hall on Tuesday 20th May, at 2pm until the chat runs out. Bring your yarn and your needles, and tea and cake will be provided. Everybody most welcome. Many thanks!

Coffee Pot

The Coffee Pot on Friday mornings in the hall is very popular. We could do with some more helpers to prepare, serve, socialise and add to the friendly atmosphere. With the rota, you'd only be on duty once every eight weeks. If you'd like to help, please contact the church office (0141 942 8827, mail@nkchurch.org.uk).

If Coffee Pot volunteers are unable to print off the rota, there are hard copies in the Coffee Pot pigeon hole in the halls vestry.

NK Communication

New Kilpatrick is hoping to develop more communication through our social media sites.

If you're not already a **friend** on **YouTube, Facebook or Instagram**, please go on and click '**follow**' and let all your friends know.

Flower Donations

Thank you to all those who help with the flowers in the sanctuary every Sunday, those who place them and those who support through a donation.

If you would like to sustain this ministry, we would be very grateful. It can be done in a couple of ways, **either by sponsoring a particular week in memory of someone or a one-off donation into the fund.** If you would like to do so the bank details are:

Account Name: New Kilpatrick Parish Church,
Sort code: 80-05-57,

Account number: 00701598

Reference: Church Flowers.

or a cheque with a note saying it is to go to the flower fund.

Thank you for your ongoing support in shaping our worship, creating community and expressing our love and care towards each other.

Those we have lost:

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

Winnie Johnstone, Hermitage House,
Helensburgh (02.05.25)

The Diary

Thursday 8 May

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall.

Friday 9 May

Coffee Pot 10am - 12noon, hall.

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Sunday 11 May

Morning Worship 10.30am.

Short Communion 11.30am

Desert Island Hymns 6.30pm in the hall.

Our castaway is Wilma Macdonald.

NK Youth Club 7.15pm. P7 - S2.

Tuesday 13 May

SingSong! 2pm, hall. Songs for all, especially those with memory loss.

Bible for Duffers 7.30pm in the hall.

(Genesis 40: 1-23).

Wednesday 14 May

Midweek Service 11am in the hall

Thursday 15 May

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall.

Friday 16 May

Coffee Pot from 10am in the hall.

Sunday 18 May

Morning Worship 10.30am

Words and Music 6.30pm in the hall

NK Youth Club 7.15pm. P7 - S2

Monday 19 May

Outreach Workshop 10am-12noon

The Monday Club 2pm in the hall.

Tea and Entertainment for Senior.

Tuesday 20 May

Close Knitting Group 2pm in the hall.

Wednesday 21 May:

Midweek Service 11am in the hall.

Thursday 22 May:

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall.

Think Again Group 7.30pm in the hall

Thought for the Week

"It is better to wear out than to rust out".

Richard Cumberland (1631 - 1718),
philosopher and Anglican Bishop of
Peterborough.