

# 6 April (Maundy Thursday)

### **Easter**

We find ourselves within the story this week, of table turners and cross carriers. You are invited to join us in the midst of it all, being part of the story on Thursday evening at the Cross Parish Church at 7.30 where we will share communion in the echo of the Last Supper. A time when bread and wine become something other than a light meal but the very gateway of the kingdom.

But then the cost of it all, found on Good Friday in New Kilpatrick at 7.30, sharing our evening service with the Cross. There will be an augmented choir from both congregations. It will be a service that draws us in, not through preaching and learning what this might mean, but by being there ourselves.

And we wait.

We long.

We find the space deep and lonely through Saturday.

And come together on Sunday and wonder if it might be true this rumour of resurrection, of a gardener being returned to the garden, as in Adam all were removed from Eden, but now in Christ, he returns to the garden.

The service will be intergenerational and if you like chocolate, then this is the service for you. 10.30 Easter Day.

#### "The Chosen" A weekly series each Tuesday night beginning Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> April.

We will focus solely on Series 2.

Each Tuesday, we will start at 7pm, where we will show the episode for that week (with some light refreshments). Then at 8pm we will have a group discussion until approximately 8.30pm.

Look forward to your company for Series 2.

#### **Easter Family Fun Event** Hop along to a FREE event for all the family tomorrow, Good Friday, 7 April, 10am-

**12.30pm.** Enjoy some Easter Bonnet-making, biscuit-icing, Easter competitions, and some family-friendly Easter crafts. Tea, coffee, and hot cross buns will be provided, and our NK bakers will be making chocolate nest cakes too.



#### **Easter 2023 Community Project** NK is spreading community happiness this Easter.

Thank you to all our busy crafters who have made beautiful daffodils and lilies to distribute to the local community for Easter cheer. Thanks also to our distributors.



# St Gregory's Food Bank

What a marvellous response ..... the Easter eggs have kept rolling in every week! A huge thanks to the many members of our congregation who have, yet again, contributed so generously with eggs, food, and money. All these donations will bring much joy to our friends in the community over Easter. St. Gregory's gave out 201 bags of food last week - a humbling thought! The need for help is still as great as ever - so please if you are able, keep filling our trug as you have been doing. All the usual non-perishable food items along with baby essentials are most welcome - as indeed are monetary donations.

The Halls are open Mon. to Fri. (9a.m. to 2.30p.m.) and Sunday mornings.



Helpers, Joanne Woollard and Pamela Paterson, with your Easter eggs

## **Kiltwalk for Christian Aid**

This year three members of New Kilpatrick Christian Aid Committee are doing the Kiltwalk 'Wee Wander' on 30th April in support of Christian Aid. This replaces the Erskine Bridge Cross of previous years. We would be delighted if you would be willing to donate to Christian Aid and support us in our endeavour. There is a JustGiving page set up for donations -<u>www.justgiving.com/NKChristianAidWalk</u> - or sponsor us through the sponsor form in the Walkround, or you can give directly into the church account -

### Account Name:

**New Kilpatrick Parish Church, Sort Code: 80-05-57, Account number: 00701598** - or just hand an envelope into the church office or the manse.

You are always very generous and can we take this opportunity to thank you in advance.



The church by Eilidh, complete with balcony, Bible, choir, organist, and minister (wearing a clerical baseball cap).

## **Al Service**

We've heard a lot about AI recently (Artificial Intelligence) and the way it is going to be as big a change as the internet, the phone or television.

What will its impact be on faith and religion, our ethics and how we understand ourselves? Who knows, but we are holding a service on the theme on 23 April with the opportunity for discussion afterwards.

We will be holding a number of services on particular themes from now on, themes that are significant to our society and impact us all in various ways. Watch out for more in due course.

## **Bearsden Festival**

Following on from our very successful Year of Stories Festival last year, the Bearsden Festival Association is hoping to create some events for the whole community in September. If you are interested in contributing ideas or volunteering, please get in touch with Jane Gordon (<u>iane@gordon1.eu</u>).

The Festival Committee is hoping to meet in the next couple of weeks and would love to welcome some new people.

**Coffee Pot The Coffee Pot needs more helpers.** Please contact the church office (mail@nkchurch.org.uk, 0141 942 8827).

# Diary

Thursday 6 April Holy Week Service 11am in church

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall

Maundy Thursday Communion 7.30pm at The Cross Church

Good Friday, 7 April Holy Week Service 11am in church

Easter Family Fun Event 10am in the hall.

**Good Friday Service at New Kilpatrick** 7.30pm in church.

**Easter Sunday, 9 April Intergenerational Easter Morning Worship** 10.30am in church

Tuesday 11 April SingSong! 2pm in the hall

Wednesday 12 April Midweek Service 11am in the hall followed by coffee and cake Thursday 13 April Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall

Friday 14 April Coffee Pot 10am in the hall

Sunday 16 April Morning Worship 10.30am in the church Evening Worship 6.30pm in the hall

Tuesday 18 April The Guild ABM 1.30pm in the hall Kirk Session meeting 7.30pm in the hall

Wednesday 19 April Midweek Service 11am in the hall followed by coffee and cake

Thursday 20 April Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall