

New Kilpatrick

Bulletin 2nd October

Harvest

Our harvest festival is this Sunday October 5th. We'll give thanks for creation as the final Sunday in our Season of Creation but also seek ways to live together with integrity and justice in creation.

Among the celebration of this intergenerational service, we'll also be supporting two of the groups we partner: **G15 Youth Project and St Gregory's Foodbank.**

If you are able, we invite you to respond with any of the items below. Just to note that any offered ought to be new and not second hand.

Thanks again for the generosity you always bring to this festival and the connections we enrich because of the gifts we are able to offer.

The G15 Youth Project: **All goods for youths aged 12-18 years**

Fluffy pyjamas

Fluffy Blankets

Fluffy or soft cushions

Socks especially boys

Cuddly toys especially for girls

Toiletries for boys and girls – shampoo, conditioner, body wash, deodorant and, for older girls, make-up remover, moisturising lotion.

Knitted blankets from our knitters.

St Gregory's Foodbank

As always SGFB are very grateful for everything they receive but have said they would welcome the following items.

Non-perishable foods: tinned meat-based products like ham, spam, chilli con carne, and stew.

Toiletries etc.: Toilet rolls, washing powder, toothpaste and toothbrushes and roll on deodorants (male & female).

Monetary donations are always gratefully received.

Coffee Pot Harvest Lunch

CANCELLED

Please note that the **Coffee Pot Harvest Lunch tomorrow, Friday 3 October**, has been cancelled.

The Coffee Pot will take place as usual.

Bearsden Festival

CANCELLED

Sadly, due to the weather forecast for Saturday, the **Bearsden Festival Community Day** this Saturday, 4 October, has also been cancelled as numerous events and stalls were outdoors.

The family ceilidh on Saturday evening is also cancelled.

Many people will be disappointed but look out for future dates and events.

The Country Dance Group

Anyone with an interest in Scottish Country Dancing will be made very welcome at our weekly meetings.

No previous experience is necessary, so come along and enjoy a sociable Monday evening with live music and encouraging instruction, knowing that dancing is good for body, balance and mind.

The first meeting of the session is on Monday 6th October 7.30-9.30 in the church hall.

For more information contact Maureen Smith on 07799572341 or maureen smith750@gmail.com

NK Guild:

Our first meeting of the new season is on Tuesday 14th October at 2pm in the church hall.

Looking forward to your company. It will be lovely to meet up again and hopefully see some new faces.

All welcome.



Teddy Bears Picnic

Wednesday 15th October 9.30am to 11.30am.

An event for babies up to pre-school aged children.

To help offset the cost of this event, we are asking for donations of multi-pack Pom-Bear original-flavoured crisps, along with packs of small-sized Fruit Shoots and flavoured water.

Fun Morning at New Kilpatrick

Thursday 16th October 9.30am to 12.30pm.

An event for primary school aged children a day after the Teddy Bears Picnic.

To help offset the cost of this event, we are asking for donations of multi-pack crisps, e.g. Quavers, Wotsits, normal crisps, and packs of small-sized Fruit Shoots and flavoured water.

Please bring all donations to the church office. Many thanks!

Registration forms for both events from the church office or on the website:
www.nkchurch.org.uk

Christian Aid 80th

Thank you for supporting the recent coffee morning in aid of Christian Aid's 80th Anniversary. Photograph of the morning:



Hidden Gardens 2026

Saturday 30 May 2026 12.30-4.30pm.

Held in 2018 and 2019 but not since Covid, this open-gardens event is back, by popular quest.

If you would like to be involved this year or would like more information, please contact:
Eileen & Stewart Young eileenyoung1@gmail.com

NK Book Club

Here's the date and book for our next meeting in October:

28 Oct - *The Hotel on the Riviera*
by Carol Kirkwood. All welcome! 7.30pm, hall.

Family Walk

Family Walk around Kilmardinny on Saturday 1st November at 2pm.

This is open to families as well as any adults who enjoy a short walk. The children will be given sheets to search for various items on the walk and following the walk we meet at the church from 3.30pm onwards to enjoy homemade soup and sausage rolls.

You can turn up at Kilmardinny without notifying us, but we need an indication of those attending the tea in the church hall. You're welcome to join us just for the company and the food. **If you are joining us for food, just put a ticket in the box in the walkaround area for each person attending** so we know how many to cater for.

Big Breakfast

We invite you to breakfast in the hall on Sunday morning, 2 November, at 9.15am.

We have a great menu and a fabulous bundle of breakfasters who will make sure you have what you need.

To give us an idea of how many will be attending, there will be tickets and a box in the hall walkround from Sunday 12 October. **Jack Geddes from GCM** will be speaking at morning worship that Sunday.

Please count how many tickets you will need and pop them into the box (please don't take them away with you).

Donations will go to Glasgow City Mission.

Big Sing for Remembrance

Friday 7th November at 7.30pm

A great night awaits you in the church with a Big Sing for Remembrance. There will be string and brass groups from East Dunbartonshire Schools as well as a piper. The Westerton Male Voice Choir will be singing and also leading us in some community singing, poetry, interviews with some of our members as well as hearing from Donald McLean who served abroad. There will be an Act of Remembrance and donations on the evening will be sent to Erskine Home and Poppy Scotland. Please come along on the evening and support our veterans.

Thought for the Week

"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm".

Ralph Waldo Emerson, (1803- 1882) American minister philosopher and poet.

NK QR Code

It's cool to use your phone in church.

We've been linked to the internet for a while now so you can watch your favourite film while the service is going on. But we've now also got online payments. If you wish to make a donation to the work of the church, then you simply need to scan the QR code shown, which will be on the order of service every week and you can make an immediate donation.



We also have a tap machine where we can take electronic payments with your card or phone. And if you are on the website (nkchurch.org.uk) you can make a donation from the DONATE button at the top of the page.

And if none of that makes sense, then we still take the usual traditional ways of donating.

But behind all this is a simple acknowledgement of your generosity towards all we do. However we give of ourselves, it is hugely appreciated and a true mark of faith. Thank you.

St Gregory's Foodbank

As we approach Harvest it is always good to remember those less fortunate than ourselves.

We recently received an email from St Gregory's saying how indebted they are to everyone at NK and how the support we continue to give them, in spite of the gloomy economy, gives them strength and hope that they can continue to support those in need. They regularly hand out between 300-350 bags of basic food each week helping about 850 adults and children in food poverty. Recently, and reluctantly, they have had to reduce what goes into their basic bags due to a downturn in donations received online, in order for them still to provide for the growing numbers turning up each weekday.

I would like to thank the members of the congregation who have very generously donated food and money and a special thanks to those who have donated home-grown apples (a bumper year I am told) and fresh vegetables. Harvest requirements listed above.

Those we have lost:

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

Maureen McLay, Roman Court (17.09.25)

Anne Edward, Kennilworth Crescent (21.09.25)

The Diary

Thursday 2 October

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall

Friday 3 October:

Coffee Pot 10am - 12pm in the hall.

Sunday 5 October

Harvest Festival 10.30am in church

Round Table Communion 6.30pm in church

Monday 6 October

The Monday Club 2pm in the hall

Tea and Entertainment for seniors

NK Country Dance Group 7pm in the hall.

Tuesday 7 October

Up for Discussion: Bible Study 7.30pm, hall

Wednesday 8 October

Midweek Service 11am in the hall

Thursday 9 October

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall

Friday 10 October

Coffee Pot from 10am in the hall.

Saturday 11 October

NK Ramblers: Limekilns Circular

Sunday 12 October

Morning Worship 10.30am in church

Short Communion Service 11.30am in church

Evening Worship 6.30pm in the hall

Monday 13 October:

NK Country Dance Club 7pm in the hall.

Tuesday 14 October:

The Guild 2pm in the hall.

Wednesday 15 October:

Teddy Bear's Picnic 9.30-11.30am

Midweek Service 11am in the hall.

Business Committee 7.30pm in the hall.

Thursday 16 October:

Funday 9.30am - 12.30pm in the hall.

Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall.

Friday 17 October:

Coffee Pot from 10am in the hall.

Sunday 19 October:

Morning Worship 10.30am in the church

Evening Worship 6.30pm in the hall

New Kilpatrick's bell

Photograph by Patrick Buchanan

Thank you, Patrick!



Dates for your diary

OCTOBER

Sunday 26th Communion

NOVEMBER

Saturday 1st Kilmardinny Walk with Soup and Sausage Rolls

Sunday 2nd Glasgow City Mission Speaker

Friday 7th Big Sing for Remembrance

Sunday 9th Remembrance

Thursday 13th Thinking Allowed

Friday 21st Quiz Night

Saturday 29th Guild Fair

Sunday 30th Words & Music Service

Lunch and Sound of Music Sing-a-long

DECEMBER

Sunday 7th Solar Aid Launch

Soup and Sandwich Lunch

Sunday 14th Red Sock Sunday

Gift Service

Sunday 21st Nativity Sunday

Carol Service

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