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Remembrance Sunday
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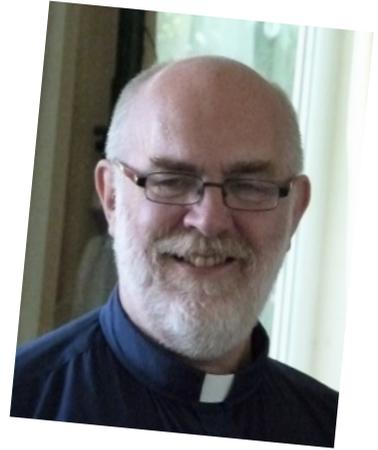
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From the Rector



Dear Friends,

Sometimes things seem to continue month to month with little seeming to happen and change. Then suddenly you have a couple of months when everything changes, everything seems to be in turmoil. The period since the last magazine at the beginning of September and now has been one of those periods of change and turmoil.

Clearly the most significant event for our country was the death of our Queen, Elizabeth the Second. It was very quick and, despite her age, unexpected. One day she is shaking hands with the new Prime Minister. A couple of days later and she is no longer with us.

Of course, mentioning the new Prime Minister, there was the expectation that things would not change that much as the previous Prime Minister and his replacement were from the same party. How wrong we were! There is a new attitude, and political philosophy at work, and a mini budget, and suddenly the economy is in a mess, and we are in period of change and turmoil and yet another new Prime Minister.

At the same time, things in the world seem to be changing – the war in Ukraine has reached a new phase with Ukraine seeming to

turn the tide in the war, and then Russia lashing out brutally following the attack on the Kerch Bridge. Equally, events in Iran could well have huge religious and political significance far beyond the boundaries of that country, far beyond the significance of the war in Ukraine; a significance which hasn't, as yet, been revealed.

Change of itself is not bad. Change can be inevitable. Needed. Painful. Hopeful. Longed for. Feared. Fought. Change can be terrifying. Change can seem to deny our own personal histories, as what we have experienced and what we have held dear are overthrown.

As Christians, we are people of change. God changes us. God transforms the world, transforms our lives. Transforms communities. Our worship changes – how we worship now is very different from how we may have worshipped thirty years ago – still the same God, still worship and praise and thanksgiving and prayer. Just a new way.

There is a song which started as something sung in schools – written by Sydney Carter in 1971:

One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go;
from the old things to the new
keep me travelling along with you:

Continued overleaf

Magazine & DNS Deadline

The next issue of *Cyprian Life* should be available on Sunday, 27th November 2022. The deadline for material is Sunday, 20th November 2022, though it would be good to get things earlier, if possible. The magazine will be for December 2022 and January 2023.

Please email notes, articles, photographs and anything else that may be of interest to other members of the congregation to me by the deadline in order to give time for typesetting and printing. Electronic format is strongly preferred.

Please let me know about what is important to you, especially how world events have affected you.

I sometimes incorporate items from the Glasgow & Galloway Diocesan News that I hope might interest members of the congregation. You can subscribe to receive the monthly news email from the diocese by going to glasgow.anglican.org, the diocesan home page, and entering your email address in the box at the bottom of the page. The email newsletter takes the form of brief paragraphs with links to fuller articles on the diocesan website and, where appropriate, other sites. The diocese is also on Facebook—search ‘Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway’.

We are encouraged to contribute by sending any items for the email newsletter to news@glasgow.anglican.org. There’s no stated deadline, but they need to be in a few days before the email comes out (usually on the second last Friday of the month).

The views expressed in *Cyprian Life* are not necessarily those of the Editor or of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

Paul Hindle
Magazine Editor

From the Rector

Chorus:

*And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.*

Perhaps instead of talking about change, we need to talk about travelling. History is about travelling. Life is about travelling. Our personal histories are a memorial of how we have travelled to get to this point today. Instead of seeing change as “an issue,” or a



Cover Picture

In the Remembrance season last year, the Lenzie Community Council established a Remembrance Garden in the green area next to the bus stop at Lenzie Station.

Local people were asked to add items to the garden to remember people who are special to them. The picture is of the garden after local organisations and many individuals had added their wreaths and crosses. It was a moving tribute to those who have died in conflicts.

Have you got a picture for the magazine? Please email it to the editor at: magazine@stcyprianslenzie.com.

move to something different, we need to see it as simply another step on our personal journeys through life, or the journey of history, or of the world. A journey we are invited to make with God. A journey we should make seeking God to be beside us. It is what that song represents. It is what our faith represents.

To quote something else: sometimes when Lucy and I pray together, we close with these words:

From where we are to where you need us
– Jesus now lead on.

From the security of what we know to the
adventure of what you will reveal
– Jesus now lead on.

To re-fashion the fabric of this world until
it resembles the shape of your kingdom
– Jesus now lead on.

Because good things have been prepared
for those who love God
– Jesus now lead on.

Change is difficult. Sometimes. Change is

threatening. Sometimes. Change is inevitable. Always. Change is part of our journey of life, the journey of the world. We can feel unsettled. But maybe the prayer of the hymn, or the prayer I've just quoted can show us what matters. If we journey through life, through change, through threat, and God is with us, if Jesus is beside us, and if we make the prayers our own, then it will be okay. The journey will be sure and certain, and into the hands and presence of God.

Best wishes,

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The Link

For the latest information about events at St Cyprian's, please check the *Link* each week in Church or on our web site:

www.stcyprianslenzie.com

The Link and the colour version of this magazine can be downloaded in PDF format by clicking on the links on the Publications page (older copies of the Link are in Word format).

If you would like to add an event to the Link and/or the website, please email the details to link@stcyprianslenzie.com or phone the Rector on 0141-776 3866.

Pastoral Care

One of the important purposes of Christ's church is to provide the love and care we all need.

In the current circumstances, we are having to change the way we work. Nonetheless, our Rector, the Revd. Les Ireland, is still available on the phone for a confidential chat and a prayer, please contact him. He will be happy to help in any way he can.

Other members of St. Cyprian's are also available to talk to if you wish. Les can put you in touch with an appropriate person that may be best qualified to help. Please telephone Les on 0141-776 3866.

Queen Elizabeth Tribute

It is now some weeks since the death of Queen Elizabeth II and the state funeral that was held on the 19th September. It feels like life has moved on – which it has. However, there are people whose wisdom feels timeless, and it is so for the Queen. In our magazine (because of publication dates), we have not been able to acknowledge her death before now, so quoting some of the things she said about faith is my way of marking the death and saying “Thank you” for all of us:

“Each day is a new beginning, I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God.” *Christmas 2002*

“If we resolve to be considerate and to help our neighbours; to make friends with people of different races and religions; and, as our Lord said, to look to our own faults before we criticise others, we will be keeping faith with those who landed in Normandy and fought so doggedly for their belief in freedom, peace and human decency.” *Christmas 1994*

“I know just how much I rely on my own faith to guide me through the good times and the bad.”

“At the heart of our faith stand not a preoccupation with our own welfare and comfort, but the concepts of service and of sacrifice as shown in the life and teachings of the one who made himself nothing, taking the very form of a servant.”

“I have been – and remain – very grateful to you for your prayers and to God for his steadfast love. I have indeed seen his faithfulness.”

“It is true that the world has had to confront moments of darkness this year, but the Gospel of John contains a verse of great hope, often



read at Christmas carol services: ‘The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it...’ Despite being displaced and persecuted throughout his short life, Christ’s unchanging message was not one of revenge or violence but simply that we should love one another.” *Christmas 2015*

“For me, the life of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, whose birth we celebrate today, is an inspiration and an anchor in my life. A role model of reconciliation and forgiveness, he stretched out his hands in love, acceptance and healing. Christ’s example has taught me to seek to respect and value all people, of whatever faith or none.” *Christmas 2014*

“One of the things that has not changed all that much for me is the celebration of Christmas. It remains a time when I try to put aside the anxieties of the moment and remember that Christ was born to bring peace and tolerance to a troubled world.” *Christmas 2006*

Remembrance Sunday

This year, it is on November 13th. At St. Cyprian's Church, we will mark this in our traditional way in our service at 10.30am. We will also play our part in the Remembrance Service at the Woodilee War Memorial at 2pm, as we have done in previous years. We will also have Poppy Appeal collection boxes and poppies in church before Remembrance Sunday.

Remembrance Sunday is about remembering. Remembering the horrors of war. Remembering the victims of war, both in the services and civilian population. It is about giving thanks for those who gave their lives, who suffered. It is about praying for peace where there is conflict.

This year, Remembrance Sunday is all the more poignant because of the war in Ukraine. Over history, wars are not uncommon. Today there are at least 27 armed conflicts happening in the world. I believe there is only one year since the second world war when no British Servicemen were killed in action. However, the war in Ukraine is much more significant as it has huge reverberations throughout the world. World fuel supplies are affected. World food supplies have been reduced. The war is in Ukraine. Many of the victims are in Africa and other parts of the world.

It is said that the first victim of war is truth.

► “To many of us our beliefs are of fundamental importance. For me the teachings of Christ and my own personal accountability before God provide a framework in which I try to lead my life. I, like so many of you, have drawn great comfort in difficult times from Christ's words and example.” *Christmas 2000*



SUPPORTING OUR HEROES

It is very difficult to work out death rates in any conflict, and particularly so in Ukraine. At the time of writing, 5718 civilians are known to have died (but probably many more have died). It is claimed 50,150 Russian soldiers have died. It is claimed that just under 9,000 Ukrainian soldiers have died. It is hard to prove any of these numbers – except to know that the figures are huge.

It is also hard to work out the cost of the destruction of buildings, infrastructure, but it will be billions of whatever currency you use.

There is no question – the War in Ukraine is terrible.

This year we will say thank you for those who gave their lives, and remember those who suffered because of war. But this year we will also pray for those still facing the horrors of war. And make the simple prayer – Lord, stop what's going on in Ukraine.

“It is better to walk alone than with a crowd walking in the wrong direction.”

Door Open Day and Car Boot Sale



*Thank you to Janet Lax
for the photos*

The church was open and we held our only Car Boot Sale of the year on Saturday 10th September.

We were blessed with good weather which meant that Kirkintilloch Kelvin Brass could play outside where they could be heard in both the church and the hall. There was a lovely atmosphere, though, unfortunately, Les went home with Covid. You can't win them all!!



I arrived early at a Restaurant last night. The manager said "do you mind waiting for a bit?" I said "Not at all." He said "Great – take these drinks to table 9."



I went to the library and asked them where the books on oils and lubricants were. They said they were in the non-friction section
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Did you know that the official name of the UK is the longest official name of any country in the world? It has 56 characters: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. However, this has only been the case since 2013. In that year, the longest became the "State of Libya." Before then it's official name had 63 characters: Al Jumahiriyah al Arabiyah al Libiyah ash Shabiyah al Ishtirakiyah al Uzma.



I met a magical genie and he said I would have one wish. I said "I wish I could be you." The Genue saud "weurd wash, but U wull grant ut!"

Annual General Meeting

of the Congregation

Sunday 4th December 2022

At approximately 12.15pm

All members of the congregation are invited to attend in person or on Zoom.

Music @ St Cyprian's

We were very pleased to welcome Lev Atlas (*below*) and Stephen Adam (*right*) for a concert of Eastern European and Klezmer music at the beginning of October. We are very grateful to them for a truly wonderful concert.

The next concert is on Saturday 5th November with Kirkintilloch Kelvin Brass (see below).

December will be busy. We have the McOpera Wind and the Douglas Academy Music School side by side in concert on the first Saturday (3rd) and then we have the long awaited concert with Ali Affleck on the 17th when she will be Singing the Blues for Christmas — more details about both next time and on the music at St Cyprian's website: <http://musicstcyprians.co.uk/>

The website is updated regularly as



information becomes available.

There are also regular updates on the Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/musicstcyprians/

Pictures: Ruth Ruddock/Janet Lax



Music at St. Cyprian's
Beech Road Lenzie G66 4HN

Kirkintilloch Kelvin Brass in Concert



Saturday 5th November 7.30pm

Tickets £12.50 Children free
Please reserve a seat at
concert@stcyprianlenzie.com
or call 07702 224458
www.facebook.com/musicstcyprians/



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Our October meeting was held as a joint evening with the Cumbernauld and Bishopbriggs Branches. We continued to explore the MU theme for 2022 – Transformation Now.

We each had a butterfly which had been coloured by the children at Aileen's nursery, and had to think of a reason to thank God for something which had happened in our lives that we had attributed to Him. These included grandchildren, enriched family life, true friendships, finding peace, and finding time in our busy lives to name but a few. Did you know that a group of butterflies is called a kaleidoscope? Our kaleidoscope was displayed on a flipchart.

During his address, Les asked us to think beyond the word 'transformation', which we usually think of as 'a change into something

with an improved appearance or usefulness'. How apt that is when you think of how a caterpillar becomes a pupa and then becomes a beautiful butterfly, and this can be like our own journey of faith – which stage are you at?



The intercessions asked us to pray from adversity into blessing, from sadness into joy and from despair into hope in our own lives, in our families and into our communities and the wider world. The picture here shows Les with the three symbols from the intercessions:

Lord you have promised to give us:

a crown of beauty instead of ashes (a crown)

the oil of joy instead of mourning, (a container of fragrant oil)

a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. (a colourful scarf)

All in all, a very enjoyable service, which was enjoyed by everyone who was there on the night.

The November meeting will take place ►

So where are we with Covid-19 and the pandemic?

Well, I had it – back in September! I got home from the Car Boot Sale and Doors Open Day and within a couple of hours felt terrible – I just thought I had an autumn cold for a couple of days. Took the test which says wait for 20 minutes to see the result. It took less than thirty seconds for the dreaded bright red line to appear!

I was at home for the whole period of national mourning for Queen Elizabeth the Second – it took a couple of weeks to feel like normal, and the cough lingers! Covid can be a nasty illness – and you need the personal experience to realise how bad it can feel, and how the vaccine is only partially helpful. I've also known people have it three times – it is not a one off which subsequently gives long term immunity.

Generally, at the moment, numbers are not going down, and numbers are expected to rise through the winter.

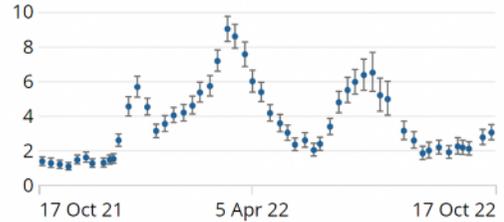
Our precautions at St. Cyprian's are



► on Wednesday 9th November at 7.30pm, and will be very different. Angela Amato, who is an experienced First Aid trainer with the St Andrew's Ambulance organisation, will be along to tell us a bit about her experiences and will bring along resuscitation mannequins and defibrillators so we can all 'have a go' and learn how to give CPR post Covid – things have definitely changed and you never know

Scotland

Percentage testing positive for COVID-19



ONS COVID-19 Infection Survey

appropriate and minimal. We encourage people to gel hands when they arrive in church. We try to encourage people to spread out in church by putting service and hymn books on every other pew. Those who distribute communion wear a mask – it is a “close encounter” - and gel hands. This will continue for the time being.

We welcome people having choice. Some only take the bread. Some wear masks. That is fine – everyone is welcome, and welcome to take any precautions they want to. We discourage people from intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) as there is the danger of putting fingers in the wine itself. We also stream the service at 10.30am on a Sunday for those who find getting to church difficult.

As I say – at the moment we don't plan any changes, and I suspect how we do things is the new “normal” for some time to come.

when you might be called on to use these skills.

December will see us at the Broadcroft for a Christmas meal out – but more of that at a later date. As always, you are invited to any or all of our monthly meetings – we would love to see you with us.

Maxine Gow
Branch Leader

Blessing of the Pets



**We will be holding our Annual Pet Blessing Service on
Saturday 5th November at 11am.**

After the service there will be refreshments for both people and pets!

Please come along (even if you don't have a pet); Please invite your families and friends, especially if they have pets. Would love to see everyone!!!



True facts:

Did you know there is a village in Perthshire called “Dull.” In 2012, it was twinned with the town of “Boring” in Oregon. In 2013, it formed a three-way partnership with the town of “Bland” in New South Wales, Australia. Apparently they are known as the “Trinity of Tedium!”

Disaster in Eastside

Sometimes a “wander” around Google on the internet can throw up an interesting story. I found this one, and asked a couple of people if they had heard of it. They hadn't. The story – the Kirkintilloch Fire Disaster.

Before the second world war, many Irish people travelled from Ireland to dig potatoes in Scotland. They were known as “Tattie Howkers.” Many travelled in family / friends / community groups. This story is about a group from the village of Achill Sound on Achill Island in County Mayo, the largest Island in the Republic of Ireland. The group had been working in Edinburgh, but arrived in Kirkintilloch on September 15th, 1937 to dig potatoes for W&A Graham.

The group of 26 included 14 girls and 10 lads aged from 13 – 23. There was also the foreman of the group Patrick Duggan and his 12 year old son Tom.

Accommodation on East High Street was basic. The 14 girls, plus foreman and his son were housed in a basic farm house. The young men were housed in a Bothy – like a barn, attached to the house. Their accommodation was basic – upturned potato boxes with straw on top, in a building with windows 8ft off the ground (covered in wire netting) and a door with

a bolt on the outside. It was what was expected at the time.

In the early hours of the 16th September, Tom – the foreman's son – noticed there was a fire. He roused everyone else who tried to break into the bothy, as did the firemen when they arrived. It took two hours to get in. Sadly it was too late – all ten sleeping in the bothy were dead, huddled together in the far corner opposite the door. Their bodies were so badly burnt that they were unrecognisable.

The women and girls were put up in St. Ninian's Church Hall, and there was a memorial service at St. Ninian's before all the bodies were taken back to Ireland.

The event was a terrible tragedy, and left the people of Achill Island desolate. One of the girls – Mary Mangan – lost three brothers aged 13, 15 and 17. Another of the girls lost two brothers.

Today there is a memorial near the site. The plaque is on the wall of Plumbase that faces the roundabout on Kilsyth Road. There is a seat facing it and flowers are placed regularly.

Simply a terrible tragedy in the history of our community.

Memorial plaque and its location



Christmas Fair Transmuted

At the meeting of the vestry at the beginning of October, we discussed at length the Christmas Fair for this year. Sadly, the vestry made the decision to cancel the fair and consider some alternative form of special event for this Christmas.

We cancelled the Fair for a number of reasons:

Firstly, while normally there is no point worrying about clashing with other fairs, this year we would have clashed with the Kirkintilloch and Lenzie Christian Aid Christmas Fair, and that was of major concern.

Secondly, we felt we do not have the "manpower" to run a successful fair. As well as being low in numbers of people, particularly people to do the "heavy lifting," a number of members are not available who would normally be stalwarts of the Fair.

Thirdly, the Fair causes at least some church members considerable stress, which we cannot justify in the period when we are coming out of the Pandemic.

I know many people will be hugely disappointed, as the fair has continued for many years, and has been a major event in the life of St. Cyprian's. We felt it was important to let people know as early as possible.

We have talked about an alternative special event, and have developed the "kernel" of an idea. We plan to use Sunday 18th December as a church open day, ending the day with our Carol Service. We plan to create special crib scenes, displays, as well as having refreshments and maybe some "last minute" stalls. It is not a fair. We are in the very early stages of developing this idea. We welcome all ideas, suggestions, questions.

I hope everyone will support this decision, and help with the new vision we are developing.

Concordia
The Local Ecumenical Choir
presents
Advent Praise
Sunday 4th December 2022
7pm
St David's Memorial Park
Church
Kirkintilloch
(May also be at the Carmelite
Convent Waterside Road on
Monday 5th at 7pm – see the Link
nearer the time)

Action of Churches together in Scotland
Kirkintilloch and Lenzie Group

PEACE IN
OUR TIME?

Guest Speaker
Revd Neil Galbraith
A Service of reflection

St. Cyprian's Scottish Episcopal Church
Beech Road
Lenzie G66 4RN

Thursday 3rd November
7.30pm

Scottish Charity No. SC035944

150th Anniversary Update

The Flower Festival

A flower festival is planned for Thursday 7th September to Saturday 9th September 2023, one of the many events taking place next year to celebrate St. Cyprian's 150th Anniversary.

The flower festival is exciting, but somewhat daunting, to organise, but we have already had two very successful meetings and plans are advancing well.

The theme for the festival is: 'The Life and Work of St Cyprian's Church'.

We have agreed on 16 themes so far but further suggestions would be most welcome.

The themes are:

1. The History of St Cyprian's Church
2. St Cyprian
3. Baptism.
4. Confirmation.
5. Eucharist.
6. Marriage.
7. Death. Depicted as sympathy and reflection.
8. Easter.
9. Harvest
10. Christmas
11. The Mothers' Union
12. The Music
13. Outreach into the community—brownies, guides, groups using the hall, etc.
14. For the wider world—with Ukraine in mind this year
15. The Bible Society
16. War memorials/Remembrance



Each theme will be depicted in the flower arrangement with a card beside it relating to the topic and flowers. Volunteers are needed to write a small 'piece' for each topic — approximately 70-100 words. A list has been put at the back of the church.

Local businesses and florists have been approached and we have had a good response.

If anyone would like to sponsor one or part of an arrangement in memory of a loved one or an anniversary, please let me know.

I have the minutes of our two meetings. If you would like a copy, please ask.

To make the event a happy and successful occasion, we will need lots of support and help, not only beforehand, but during the three days—please put the dates in your diary now!

Thank you for everyone's help

Anne Carswell

Paraphrase of a famous prayer by Teresa of Avila:

God has no online presence, but yours.
No blog, no Facebook, but yours.

Yours are the tweets through which love touches the online world.

Yours are the posts through which hope is revealed.

Yours are the updates through which hope is revealed.

Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

We are asked to pray for our Bishop, Kevin, every day.

NOVEMBER 2022

Daily Prayers

- 1st The Saints of the whole church
- 2nd The faithful departed
- 3rd Those who mourn
- 4th Deceased Clergy and Lay Readers
- 5th Diocesan Centre Staff (Christine Hughes, Iolanthe Stack, Marion Noble)

Sunday 6th November Pentecost 22

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Good Shepherd & Ascension, Hillington;
Holy Trinity & St Barnabas, Paisley (Deborah Davison)

Daily Prayers

- 7th Our pets and those who attended our Pet Blessing Service last Saturday
- 8th Porvoo Link: The Spanish Episcopal Reformed Church
- 9th The families of those who have died in armed conflicts
- 10th Erskine Hospital and nursing home
- 11th The Scottish Poppy Appeal
- 12th Pastoral Assistants, Eucharistic Assistants, Worship Leaders and Spiritual Companions in the Diocese

Sunday 13th November Pentecost 23 (Remembrance Sunday)

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Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

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St John's, Johnstone; St Margaret's, Renfrew (Reuben Preston).

Daily Prayers

- 14th Our Governments as they struggle to meet the demands of the current situation
- 15th Staff and patients in hospitals, hospices and nursing homes
- 16th SEC Diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness (Bishop Mark Strange).
- 17th Diocesan Protection of Vulnerable Groups Co-ordinator (Anne Jones)
- 18th Those struggling with poverty
- 19th Fuel Bank Foundation

Sunday 20th November Last Sunday after Pentecost (Christ the King)

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The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

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St John the Evangelist, Greenock (Wilhelmina Nesbitt, Lisa Curtice)

Daily Prayers

- 21st The Trussell Trust and our local Food Banks
- 22nd Those in training for ordained and lay ministries.
- 23rd Porvoo Link: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Denmark
- 24th The work of the Mission Aviation Fellowship
- 25th SEC Diocese of St Andrew's, Dunkeld and Dunblane (Bishop Ian Paton)
- 26th Canon Missioner (Audrey Stewart); Digital Engagement Officer (Petko Marinov)

& Daily Intentions

Sunday 27th November Advent Sunday

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The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

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Heartland Group: St Mary's, Bridge of Weir;
St Fillan's, Kilmacolm; St Mary the Virgin,
Port Glasgow (Vacant, Robert Chambers,
Gerard McKeown)

Daily Prayers

- 28th The rejection of discrimination and stigmatisation
- 29th Key workers who provide our essential services
- 30th The people of Scotland

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- 1st MND Scotland and those suffering from Motor Neurone Disease
- 2nd For all those living with HIV and AIDS
- 3rd Thanksgiving for living fellowship

Sunday 4th December Second Sunday of Advent

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The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

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Holy Trinity, Motherwell; St Andrew's,
Wishaw (Richard Kilgour, Charles Sargent)

Sunday Readings

Pentecost 22

6th November 2022

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

Psalm 98

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Luke 20:27-38

Christ the King

20th November 2022

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Psalm 46

Colossians 1:11-20

Luke 23:33-43

Second Sunday of Advent

4th December 2022

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Romans 15:4-13

Matthew 3:1-12

Pentecost 23 - Remembrance Sunday

13th November 2022

Malachi 4:1-2a

Psalm 98

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Luke 21:5-19

Advent Sunday

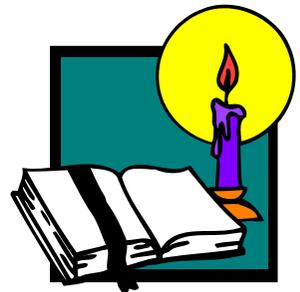
27th November 2022

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:36-44



DECEMBER 2022

Thu 1st 10am Eucharist in Choir Vestry
Sat 3rd 7.30pm **Concert:** McOpera Winds/Douglas Academy

Sun 4th **Second Sunday of Advent**

10.30am **Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)
 12.15pm (approx) **Annual General Meeting** of the congregation
 7pm Concordia Advent Praise at St David's Memorial Park
(more details later)

The Province is still providing online services at 11am on Sundays and at various other times. The details and links are at www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/
 Les is also continuing to produce online worship services for special occasions in the church year on YouTube. Les will let everyone who receives the weekly Link email know when new ones become available and how to get them. Sign up for the email on our website if you haven't already.

<h1>Altar Guild</h1>	
6 th November	Eileen Ferry & Judith Beastall
13 th & 20 th November	Maxine Gow (13 th is Remembrance Sunday)
27 th November & 4 th December	Aileen Mundy (Advent- Brasses only)

Fair Trade

St Cyprian's is a Fair Trade Church and is therefore committed to using Fair Trade products.

We also run a fair trade stall, but because so much Fair Trade produce can be purchased in our local shops and supermarkets, we have now reduced the frequency. The next stall will be held at the run up to Christmas.

Please buy Fair Trade at the local shops when you can. Thank you.

Where are we???

On page 11, Les has given his review of where we are and his own experience of the virus. So where we are is living with a virus that isn't as deadly as it once was, but one that can still be very harmful to a significant minority.

We seem to be just past the latest peak at around 3% of the population infected and there are some concerns about a new variant, Omicron BQ.1.

This means that we continue to exercise some caution in order to make people comfortable with attending church. The option to attend online for those who can't make it to church for whatever reason will continue indefinitely. The instructions for joining are emailed out with the Link each week and are also available on the home page of our

website. You can also sign up there for the email. One of the cameras is movable so it can be used to stream from the Choir Vestry and the Hall when there is a need (e.g. for the AGM).

Now that coffee is back, we are still looking for more volunteers for the coffee rota. Please let Pat or Paul Hindle know if you can help.

Home Communions

With the easing of restrictions for Covid, the Rector is now taking communion to people at home who are unable to get to church. He already has people he visits, but if there is anyone you know of that you think would like communion at home, please let our Rector know.

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Date	Server	Reader	Intercessor	Coffee	Counting
6 Nov 2022	Mary Haigh	Kevin Wilbraham	Glennis Tavener	Anne Carswell	Sally Hadden & Gavin Boyd
13 Nov 2022	Sally Hadden	Janet Faughey	Aileen Mundy	Jill Taylor	David Taylor & Diana Farnell
20 Nov 2022	Mary Haigh	Jill Taylor	Mary Haigh	Mary & Gavin Boyd	Paul Hindle & Sally Hadden
27 Nov 2022	Aileen Mundy	Sally Hadden	Gavin Boyd	Maxine Gow	Gavin Boyd & Aileen Mundy
4 Dec 2022	Mary Haigh	Eileen Ferry	Maxine Gow	Aileen Mundy	Judith Beastall & Tony Farnell
11 Dec 2022	Aileen Mundy	Anne Carswell	Glennis Tavener	Judith Beastall	Maxine Gow & Janet Faughey
18 Dec 2022	Mary Haigh	Judith Beastall	Mary Haigh	Sally Hadden	Aileen Mundy & Paul Hindle
25 Dec 2022	Aileen Mundy	Diana Farnell	Gavin Boyd	No coffee	Tony Farnell & Gavin Boyd
1 Jan 2023	Sally Hadden	Maxine Gow	Aileen Mundy	Janet Faughey	Janet Faughey & Sally Hadden