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From Our Interim Priest-in-Charge



Dear Friends,

On Ascension Day, we remember the physical departure of Jesus from this earth. In the words of the Nicene Creed: *On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. A couple of sentences before this we are told that by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary and was made man.*

In church we say words like this Sunday after Sunday, but can sometimes miss their import – sometimes great truths can be hidden in plain sight. One of the Christians claims about the Ascension is that now there is humanity in the heart of the Trinity. The Jesus that was made man is the same Jesus that returns to heaven and God will never be the same again because of this. I do believe God can change in

some ways, not in his character, but in his experience, which now includes being human. He now knows what it is like to be us. As we read the gospel stories, we can connect with Jesus's humanity, but we can forget that this same humanity is now in heaven. Indeed the Creed gives almost as much word space to Jesus in heaven as it does to his time on earth!

Along with preaching and leading services, my week often includes significant and sometimes long pastoral conversations, and numerous ways of facing the challenges of secularism and faith in the UK today. In one way or another, all these illustrated the importance and relevance of the Ascension. Some were exploring where God could be present in their challenging situations and whether he would answer prayers said or unsaid. Others

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Magazine & DNS Deadline

The next issue of *Cyprian Life* should be available on Sunday, 30th June 2024. The deadline for material is Sunday, 23rd June 2024, though it would be good to get things earlier, if possible. The magazine will be for July and August 2024.

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 Our Interim

were asking the same thing about our public and global life, where is God there and how can his purposes work themselves out.

The Ascension **comforts** us with knowledge that God connects to our pain and confusion and feeling of lostness. This may not change circumstances, but perhaps our praying is to help bring us in line with the way things are going and to prepare us for the hard inevitable. And we are assured that we will have what we need to get through that. The man Jesus is seated at the Father’s right hand, interceding for us.

Finally, the Ascension **reassures** us that God’s purposes will be fulfilled and that Jesus’s kingdom will have no end. Being seated in the symbolism of the ancient world meant being in a position of great power, and this power is now held by the Incarnate Jesus who knows what it is like to be us and who will make sure that, in the end, all will be well

Cover Picture

Mothering Sunday was particularly special since it was very close to the 100th birthdays of two of our members, Ann and Jean. Definitely a time to celebrate, which we did with a party in the hall after our Eucharistic celebration in church.

The picture shows them starting to cut the joint birthday cake, which was beautifully decorated with real flowers. There are more pictures and stories from the day on pages 14 and 15.

If you have a picture you think would be of interest, please send it to the editor at: magazine@stcyprianslenzie.com.

Priest-in-Charge

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and all manner of things will be well.

So, let's not rush too quickly to Pentecost, but use this period to really address the ascended Christ and allow these great truths to find their way home in your heart and bring **comfort and reassurance**.

Wishing you comfort and reassurance this Ascensiontide,

Paul



The Journey

**26th May
and 23rd June 2024**

Journey Evenings are an opportunity and space to reflect on God, our personal faith journey and issues facing our society today.

Last Sunday of each month
7-8pm at St James Hilton Rd
Bishopbriggs.
Scottish Charity SC023292

There will be more details about the theme of the *The Journey* meetings taking place in May and June in the Link email for those Sundays.

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 Paul Hindle on 0141-776 3237.

Pastoral Care

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

In the vacancy, we'll have to change the way we have been meeting this need for pastoral care. Please contact Paul Watson, our Interim Priest-in-Charge, in the first instance. He will be able to arrange someone to call for a confidential chat and a prayer.

Other members of St. Cyprian's are also available to talk to if you wish. Paul can put you in touch with an appropriate person that may be best qualified to help. Please telephone him on 07943 026773.

Music @ St Cyprian's

Your usual reporter missed the last concert, but by all accounts it was a wonderful end to our Chamber Music Scotland season. The picture here is taken from a clip on Facebook showing Raj Bhaumik and Claire Haslin playing Rachmaninov's 'Vocalise' to a very appreciative audience!



It sounds really good. Check it out on the Music @ St Cyprian's Facebook page if you weren't able to be there either. Apparently, it was one of the best attended concerts of the season. Thank you to Raj and Claire. We hope you enjoyed being with us too.

We're now looking forward to welcoming back Roo and Neil, fiddle and accordion duo. They will be with us for a concert that is an addition to the season on Saturday 18th May. The details are on the opposite page.

The Music @ St. Cyprian's website has much more information about the concert and you can also follow links to more information

about the artists. Please go to:

<https://musicstcyprians.co.uk/>

There are news and pictures of previous concerts on the Facebook page, which is updated regularly:

www.facebook.com/musicstcyprians/



Joint Churches

Coffee Morning

Wednesday, 15th May 2024

10am - 12noon

Lenzie Union Parish Church New Hall

Off Moncrieff Ave, Lenzie G66 4NL

Adults £3

Children £1

Pushing back against poverty

For more information about Christian Aid Week, please visit www.caweek.org

Christian Aid Registered Charity No. SC039150

Music at St Cyprian's presents

Roo & Neil: in concert

Saturday 18th May

7.30pm

Roo Geddes - violin & Neil Sutcliffe - accordion



St Cyprian's Church, Beech Rd, Lenzie.

Tickets £12.50 available on the door

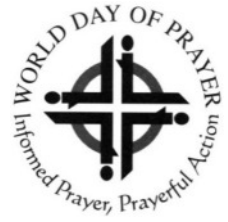
Phone 07702 224458 to reserve your place

More info on www.musicstcyprians.co.uk



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World Day of Prayer



The World Day of Prayer Service took place on Friday 1st March at St David's Memorial Park Church, Kirkintilloch. As noted in the last magazine, the materials for the service were prepared by the WDP Committee of Palestine.

The title of the service was "I beg you.....Bear With One Another in Love". Such an appropriate title, given all the problems there are in that part of the world at the moment.

In the opening prayers, we were invited to open our eyes to see the present suffering of the inhabitants of this land. The service certainly was not just for Palestine, but for all areas of conflict around the world.

Three stories were told. The first was a story of resilience. Eleonor came from a deeply rooted old Jerusalem family who in the 19th century established the Greek Orthodox Church of St George. Prior to fleeing from the bombing of 1948 the family took the treasures of the church to a Jewish neighbour for safe keeping. they hoped to return.

As Eleonor and her brothers grew up, the family was so grateful for the love of the Jewish family who still look after the treasures. Sadly, the grandparents have passed

away without realising their dreams.

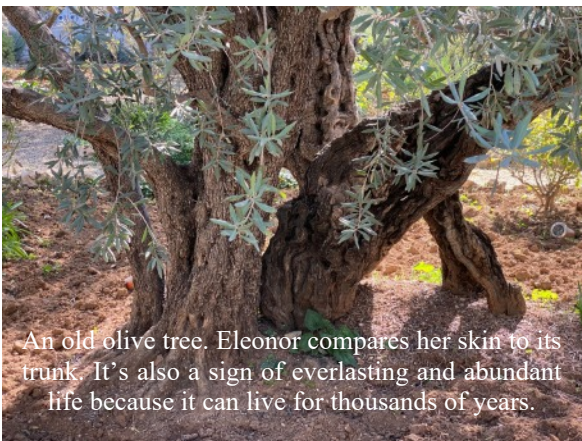
The family still live in hope. Eleonor still remembers that, despite their pain and suffering over all they had lost, her parents were always thankful and spoke kindly about these Jewish neighbours. She recalls that her parents taught her how to bear with others in love, always remembering to be grateful for those who do good

The second story entitled "A Story of Truth Telling" was about Shireen, an Al Jazeera journalist. Shireen was a Palestinian Christian. For 25 years, Shireen told stories of Palestinian experiences and the Arab world through the TV screen. She struggled for both Muslims and Christians to have access to the holy sites in Jerusalem. Her truth telling was even a way of bearing with the occupiers in love. Speaking the truth is a form of loving resistance, because it calls the oppressor back to their humanity.

The collective memory of the outpouring of solidarity witnessed at her funeral was proof that she has also entered the hearts of many Palestinians.

The third story was from Sara and called "The Story of Flourishing". Her story is about her grandfather who lived in Jaffa alongside other Christians, Muslims and Jews. In 1948, the Israeli forces kicked Grampa's family out of his house by force causing the family to become refugees.

Many years later Grandpa took the family to visit the house, only recognising it by the trees he and his father had planted when he was a boy. When the current owner saw them, they came out shouting and kicking them out of the way. The grandpa was being kicked out of his own home a second time, Later on, when Sara



An old olive tree. Eleonor compares her skin to its trunk. It's also a sign of everlasting and abundant life because it can live for thousands of years.



visited her grandparents, her grandmother showed her the keys to their old house. Many families had kept the keys to their old houses in the hopes of returning some time.

Sara is nourished by the love of her ancestors. Sara feels their love is what made her bloom. THEIR love has helped her to become strong and resilient.

The service ended with this magnificent prayer written by Katie Reimer WDP International Committee Executive Director:

‘We pray for women, who even now are losing children and other family members. We pray that their strength be a beacon of resilience, as they endure all challenges and pain and grace. Grant them courage to navigate adversity. And may their aspirations for peace and prosperity shine brightly in the midst of these difficulties.

In this time of war, we pray for the healing of hearts and the restoration of peace. May compassion prevail over hatred, and may the suffering of all those affected by the war be alleviated. Grant them strength, solace and hope for a brighter and harmonious future.

We pray for families who have lost members, for the kidnapped, the missing, and all who are still under rubble. May the spirit of God grant

them patience and strength as they wait to be reunited. Lord Jesus, we pray for the end of all wars, especially in the land you called home. You are our saviour, the one who taught us the real meaning of peace. Guide us and give us power to practice peace in our daily lives. Amen.’

Glennis Tavener



The caption on the plaque reads:
The Lord's prayer in Syria Aramaic language

‘Giving a Gift of Dignity’ was the theme of the retiral collection on Mothering Sunday. These gifts provide funds to support various MU projects around the world and often fund training, which helps to empower women at a local level. Our collection raised £151 which has been sent to our HQ at Mary Sumner House in London.

Our March meeting took place during Lent and we looked at some of the suggestions in the Family Lent calendar published by the Mothers’ Union, which gave us food for thought during this time of prayer, fasting and giving. We also discussed the ‘Rise Up’ campaign, which we will bring before the Vestry to take this forward – see article in the last edition of the magazine.

Most of our members were away – either at the Provincial Retreat, or as part of the Easter/school holiday time, so our April meeting was held on Zoom. We discussed how to avoid being ‘scammed’ and how easy it can be to be taken in by what can be very sophisticated invitations to part with our money. Age UK provided lots of helpful tips

including how to deal with an encounter on your doorstep –

- S – Stop – and think about what is being offered.
- C – Check – ID – make sure it is real – ask the person to wait while you phone to check them out. They will wait if they are genuine.
- A – Ask – for a second opinion – phone a friend.
- M – Mine – my bank details belong to me
- S – Share – let your friends and neighbours know if you think the person is trying to scam you.

In May, Gavin Boyd will be coming to give us a talk about the Queen Mary and our final meeting of the year in June is usually an afternoon tea somewhere local. Watch out for more details in the weekly Link nearer the time for both months.

Thoughts for next year’s programme have been discussed, but do get in touch if you have any ideas for suitable topics, and don’t forget – you don’t need to be a member to join in any of our meetings – all are welcome.

Maxine
(Branch Leader)



Thy Kingdom Come, Ascension to Pentecost (9th–19th May), is our annual invitation and encouragement to Christians and churches to seek the indwelling of the Holy Spirit that we might live out and share the Kingdom of God.

At the heart of Thy Kingdom Come is our focus to ‘Pray for Five.’ It is an invitation to bring five people before God – family, friends, neighbours, or colleagues who are not yet following Jesus.

Mothers’ Union is asking members to ‘Pray for Five, Invite One.’ So, as well as an encouragement to pray, we are using this as an opportunity to invite one individual each to a Mothers’ Union event. See: www.mothersunion.org/ThyKingdomCome



MU Prayer Space Every Second Thursday Reflecting the Seasons

Everyone welcome to join us for
Midday Prayers at 12noon
& Night Prayer at 8pm

Zoom link will be in the Link email

Thursday 9th May
Thursday 13th June



Connecting the Global Mothers' Union Family in Faith and Fellowship

Our Worldwide President will be coming to London for early May.

This is an exciting month for the global Mothers' Union community as we embark on the process of electing a new leadership team to guide our worldwide movement for the 2025-2027 triennium.

The new Worldwide Board will ensure that Mothers' Union continues to be a powerful source of hope and empowerment in the lives of families everywhere.

Under the leadership of the current Worldwide President, Sheran Harper, we have seen the organisation expand its reach, launch innovative programs, and deepen our commitment to supporting families in times of joy and sorrow. With faith, unity, and a steadfast commitment to our mission, we look forward to the bright future that awaits our global family.

Paul Hindle is stepping down having served the maximum term of six years. so there will be a new Zonal Trustee to be elected for Scotland.

This is a truly special occasion for our global community, as we will have the opportunity to join her in this sacred time of collective worship and reflection as she delivers Midday Prayers from our chapel in Mary Sumner House. This is a moment not to be missed. It will be a testament to the strength and resilience of our global community.

As she takes her place at the altar, she will be surrounded by the staff at the central office who work for you to support our mission of strengthening families and communities worldwide. This will serve as a powerful reminder of the unity and purpose that binds us together, wherever we may be.

Please watch Sheran delivering Midday Prayers on 2nd May at 12noon on our Facebook page. And then, keep coming back every day to share in prayers and reflections with our members!

Sometimes the simplest things can make a world of difference: every year, people all around the UK come up with all kinds of fundraising activities to support Christian Aid – from coffee mornings (see page 6 for details of our local one) to talent shows and cycling tours to sponsored treks.

The appeal gives us seven days and so many ways to make a difference to people in the most vulnerable countries around the world.

Our global neighbours are also amazing, in so many ways, at transforming their lives.

Aline Nibogora is 35 and lives in Burundi. She was married young and when she was 14, she gave birth to the first of her six children. Her husband was violent and beat her regularly – one day it got so bad, she fled.

“He would often jeer that he would kill me and bury me without anyone knowing,”

Forced to leave her children behind, Aline wandered the streets trying to stay close by, asking anyone for a place to sleep.

“Those who showed me kindness would let me stay for two or three days, but it was difficult,” she explained. “People would insult me and treat me with contempt. They forgot I was a human being. It filled me with sorrow.”

Every prayer, every gift, every action helps transform lives; sometimes the simplest things can make a world of difference.

In a society where men dominate in almost every aspect, life is particularly challenging for women. They’ve been conditioned to be dependent on and dominated by men.

But Aline found the strength and determination to push back against the injustices she was facing.

She went to a three-day community



Aline Nibogora poses with her three sons (left to right): Vyukesege Aubi, Fisto Niyoyandemye and Irumva.

Photo: Christian Aid/Armstrong Too

workshop where Christian Aid-funded trainers taught people about village savings and loans associations.

“I came out of it with amazing knowledge and skills. During the training, I stayed focused and was determined not to miss out on anything at all. I really liked the teachers’ methodology; they restored in me a sense of hope and energy to take on initiatives. From then on, I started working hard, so I would not be dependent on anyone.”

With a small start-up loan, Aline began trading avocados and peanuts locally; then used her profits to buy a bicycle to transport greater quantities of goods to markets further afield.

Aline is now a grocery wholesaler; she’s been reunited with three of her sons and lives on her own plot of land in a village in Kayogoro, in Makamba Province. She is planning to expand the business and is building a home for her family – in hopes she’ll one day have all her children with her.

“I bought some solar panels,” Aline added. “We now have electricity and the children are able to see to do their homework in the

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evenings. It's true there's a shortage of food at the moment, so there's no lack of problems, but I'm doing what I can to get by, before we are able to harvest.

"I enjoy spending time with my children, who are my favourite people in the world. We make plans for the future and we pray together. This is important; we are still alive thanks to God's grace. God comforts you through troubled times and gives you hope for a better future."

Aline is also now the chairperson of her own village savings and loan association and has helped 25 other families.

"I have been fortunate and it's important for me to be able to give back and train others who didn't have that opportunity for the further development of the community as well as our country."

Aline says the support of Christian Aid has made the whole community feel comforted and empowered.

"We feel we are not alone in our initiatives. Without your support we could not go further, you empowered us by changing our living conditions. Before, we couldn't see opportunities around us. Now we can see positive and significant changes in our lives. We can be independent and live on our own thanks to your help through the training. I really thank you for that from the very bottom of my heart."

Christian Aid supporters helped make this transformation for Aline and her neighbours – as well as millions of other people in the most vulnerable communities around the world. Last year, the organisation reached 3.3 million people through 275 programmes, from savings and loans associations to farming co-operatives, and climate disaster risk training to healthcare schemes.

Many of the projects Christian Aid funds

are long-term and designed to combat poverty and help communities tackle issues like the climate crisis. Burundi, like many similar countries, is heavily reliant on agriculture - and is one of the least prepared to tackle climate emergencies, including droughts, floods and landslides.

The global cost of living crisis has intensified the challenges families face, and now more than 70 per cent of the population live in poverty, while more than half of children are chronically malnourished.

Philip Galgallo, Country Director of Christian Aid Burundi, said: "In the areas where we work, people without their own small business or income will typically head out on an empty stomach each morning to look for casual work to buy food for the evening. Most only eat once a day. It's not uncommon to live in a one-bedroom house built of unbaked mud brick walls with an iron sheet roof. Unstable buildings like this are exceptionally vulnerable to collapse during the landslides and fierce storms, which the climate crisis is making more frequent.

"Most families don't have a water supply, so they'll collect water from rivers or communal water points; the threat of water-borne cholera is ever present. In most instances, neighbouring families share toilets, but it's not uncommon for there to be no communal toilet, forcing people to nearby bushes. Similarly, there are no bathrooms or showers. It's a fragile existence that pushes many to the brink of survival.

"Together, we can support families to secure a better future for themselves and future generations. With your help, we can work towards a world where families can escape the trap of poverty and fulfil their ambitions. Join us this Christian Aid Week. Please give to help more people push back against the inhumanity of poverty."

More info at caweek.org.uk

Two Centuries Two Remarkable



Having one member reach their 100th birthday is a remarkable thing, but to have two members of our relatively small congregation reach that milestone within one day of each other is a rare thing indeed.

That's what happened on 8th and 9th March and we celebrated on 10th March. It was even more rare that that Sunday was Mothering Sunday – how appropriate can you get!

We welcomed Sally Gorton as our preacher and celebrant. She paid tribute to the two ladies during her sermon and read out a prayer chosen by the ladies that had been composed by Lancelot Andrewes, a late 16th

/early 17th Century priest and bishop. It was a very appropriate thanksgiving for two lives well lived.

In his tribute to them both, Gavin noted that overnight between their births, there had been an earthquake in the midlands of England. He also noted that they were born during the reign of George V and had lived through the entire reigns of three monarchs and are now onto their fifth monarch. Their staying power and achievements in their long lives are something to be celebrated, which we did! Now let the pictures do the talking!



Ladies



Left: Gavin paying tribute

Above: Ann

Opposite top: Jean

Left: Sally with Jean's family

Opposite below: Happy Birthday!!



Dear friends at St Cyprians

Thank you all for your good wishes and cards I received from you on my 'Milestone' birthday.

The celebration in the church hall on the 10th March for Ann and I was a surprise but none the less well enjoyed and appreciated. It was so nice chatting with friends old and new.

Who could have imagined that two members of the same church would share their 100th birthday only one day apart (the 8th and 9th of March 1924). Quite unique I would say!! I was honoured to share my birthday with Ann.

To add to the joy of the day we were also celebrating Mothering Sunday.

Thank you all again for the work involved in making our birthday 'Special'.

Jean (Shannon)



From Your Treasurer

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During this time of Interregnum, our finances are slowly improving, mainly because we do not have to pay for the stipend and tax for a Rector. At present our bank balance is about double the end of year figure of 31st August 2023, and will hopefully continue in a similar vein until a new Rector is appointed.

Part of the Church Profile which the Vestry are working hard on is, of course, to show how our finances are and a forecast of how they are likely to be in the future.

The Rectory needs quite a bit of refurbishment to bring it up to a suitable standard for our next Rector, which will result in a bit of a dent in these finances, and there are always expenses for the maintenance of the church and hall – the latest being to Dyno-Rod for the clearing of our drains!

My thanks go to everyone who gives a regular donation to the church, especially in the current economic climate. Most donate by Standing Order, some use cash or cheques in the ‘Freewill’ envelopes, and of course there is the plate for cash, which sits at the back of the church. Many also increase their giving by signing a Gift Aid declaration so we can claim back 25% of any monies received.

It would, of course, be great if we could all give a little more, but that decision is entirely in your hands. We also ‘give’ in others ways – with prayer, time and effort depending on what is happening during our church year.

If you haven’t considered regular giving as yet, I have listed the options below with a bit more detail of ‘how to’. Please help if you can.

There is, of course, also the option to make provision in your will to leave a legacy to the church if you are in the financial position to do so. For those with larger estates, it’s worth remembering that legacies to charities can reduce the Inheritance Tax liability.

Standing Order

You can ask your bank to make regular payments into the church bank account either by completing a paper form at your bank branch or setting it up in online banking. These can be at intervals to suit you, for example, monthly, quarterly or annually. Please ensure your name is shown in the reference that is attached to the payment. This is particularly important if you have made a Gift Aid declaration. Our bank details are:

Account name:

The Vestry of St Cyprian’s Church

Sort Code: 83-28-20

Account number: 00279975

Freewill Envelopes

These come in a box with a year’s supply. You put your donation in the envelope each week and place it in the collecting plate. You would be allocated a number and this would be on your set of envelopes. This keeps your donation anonymous. The only person who knows who the number belongs to is Aileen Mundy, who manages the system and claims Gift Aid on your donation if there is a declaration in place. Please speak to Aileen if you are interested in giving this way.

Open Plate

Donations of cash or cheques can be left in the plate at the back of the church. This is totally flexible and allows you to give when you can. There are envelopes available if you wish to Gift Aid the donation.

As noted above, Aileen Mundy is our Gift Aid Coordinator. If you are able to Gift Aid your donations, please ask her for a declaration form. Should your circumstances change so you don’t pay enough tax to cover what we claim back, please let Aileen know.

As your treasurer, I am here to help – just ask.

Maxine Gow

Poster Found in a Church in France..... (Translated):

When you enter this church, it may be possible that you hear "the call of God".

However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your mobile.

Thank you for turning off your phones.

If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him.

If you want to see Him, send Him a text while driving.



Bishop's Retiral

Bishop Kevin's farewell service will be held at St Mary's Cathedral at 11am on Saturday 29th June, when he will celebrate 45 years of ordained public ministry, and where we hope as many as possible will be able to join together as a diocese. Refreshments will be available after the service.

In response to many queries and suggestions, we intend to present Bishop Kevin with a farewell gift from the Diocese on that day in gratitude for everything he has done during his four years with us, and any contributions to this gift will be gratefully received as soon as possible, and by 26th June at the latest. They may be sent as follows:

Electronic Transfer to the Diocese:

Account name: GW & GALL GEN FUND 7
Sort code: 83-41-00 A/c Number: 00162089
or give to Maxine for onward transfer.

For direct donations, please use BishopK and your surname as reference and email Iolanthe Stack at iolanthe@glasgow.anglican.org to confirm a donation has been sent and from whom. Iolanthe will acknowledge receipt by email.

Altar Guild

5 th & 12 th May	Glennis Tavener
19 th & 26 th May	Judith Beastall
2 nd & 9 th June	Anne Carswell
16 th & 23 rd June	Anne Carswell
30 th June & 7 th July	Maxine Gow

Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

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

Please also pray for the Vestry and Congregation as we seek to find a new Rector.

MAY 2024

- 1st Christian educators
- 2nd Thanksgiving for God's gift of Life and Love in Jesus
- 3rd Migrant workers and travelling people
- 4th Marriage and family life

Sunday 5th May Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

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East End Episcopal Churches: St John the Evangelist, Baillieston; St Serf's with St Kentigern's, Shettleston (Tess Lowe).

Daily Prayers

- 6th Diocesan Treasurer (Robert Burgon);
Diocesan Auditors (John R. Park,
Jacqui McCarrell, Andrew Littlejohn)
- 7th Those addicted to drugs or alcohol
- 8th Porvoo Link: The Evangelical
Lutheran Church of Finland
- 9th The Risen, Ascended Lord on this
Ascension Day
- 10th The work of Marie Curie Cancer Care
- 11th The work of Save the Children

Sunday 12th May Seventh Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension)

ANGLICAN

The Anglican Church of Burundi

DIOCESAN

St James-the-Less, Bishopbriggs
(Paul Watson, Kennedy Fraser)
St Cyprian's, Lenzie (Vacant)

Daily Prayers

- 13th The work of the Christian Aid
movement
- 14th Christian Aid volunteers as they
fundraise this Christian Aid Week
- 15th Success for the Christian Aid Coffee
Morning today
- 16th SEC Diocese of Brechin (Bishop
Andrew Swift)
- 17th Companions of Our Lady & St Mungo
(Ellen Barrett, Alison Joy Whybrow)
- 18th Good health for all workers keeping
our essential services operating

Sunday 19th May Pentecost (Whitsunday)

ANGLICAN

The Anglican Church of Canada

DIOCESAN

Holy Name, Cumbernauld (Kirstin Freeman,
Ray Gascoigne)
St Matthew's, Possilpark
(David Wostenholm, Stuart Wood)

Daily Prayers

- 20th Thanksgiving for gift of the Holy
Spirit
- 21st God-parents and the newly baptised
- 22nd Porvoo Link: The Church of Ireland
- 23rd The work of Community Response in
East Dunbartonshire
- 24th The Worldwide Mothers' Union
- 25th Diocesan Chancellor (Bruce Erroch);
Diocesan Registrar (Ronald Inglis)

& Daily Intentions

Sunday 26th May

**Trinity Sunday
(Anglican Communion Sunday)**

ANGLICAN

The Church of the Province of Central Africa

DIOCESAN

St Bride's, Glasgow (Peter Bradley)

St Andrew's, Milngavie (Andrea Hagenbuch, Fraser Gold)

Daily Prayers

- 27th Lay Readers' Warden (Ray Gascoigne)
- 28th The work of the British Red Cross at home and overseas
- 29th Protection of endangered species
- 30th All those involved in Mission
- 31st Medical staff of neonatal intensive care units

JUNE 2024

1st The Cathedral Chapter

Sunday 2nd June

Pentecost 2

ANGLICAN

Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

DIOCESAN

Cathedral Church of St Mary, Glasgow (Kelvin Holdsworth, Oliver Brewer-Lennon, John Riches, Ellen Barrett, Maggie McTernan)

Daily Prayers

- 3rd Robin House (Balloch) and Rachel House (Kinross)
- 4th Porvoo Link: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland
- 5th All voluntary workers overseas
- 6th Thanksgiving for the Eucharist
- 7th Thanksgiving for St Columba

8th Diocesan Makar (Kirstin Freeman)

Sunday 9th June

Pentecost 3

ANGLICAN

Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

DIOCESAN

St Augustine's, Dumbarton (Heller Gonzalez)

Daily Prayers

- 10th The Gospel, the Good News of God's love
- 11th Christian Peacemakers reducing violence in conflict zones
- 12th SEC Diocese of Edinburgh (Bishop John Armes)
- 13th All those who doubt their faith
- 14th Thanksgiving for St Matthias
- 15th All sufferers of Multiple Sclerosis

Sunday 16th June

Pentecost 4

ANGLICAN

Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

DIOCESAN

All Saints, Bearsden; (David Guest)
St Michael & All Angels, Helensburgh (Dominic Ind)

Daily Prayers

- 17th Night-shift workers in hospitals and care homes
- 18th Diocesan Architect (Rebecca Cadie); Diocesan Surveyor (Elliott Glenesk)
- 19th The work of Macmillan Cancer Support
- 20th Porvoo Link: The Church in Wales
- 21st Social services in their work in our area
- 22nd The work of the Glasgow City Mission

Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer & Daily Intentions

continued

Sunday 23rd June Pentecost 5

ANGLICAN

The Church of England

DIOCESAN

All Saints, Jordanhill (Sydney Maitland)

Daily Prayers

- 24th Diocesan Environmental Group (Stuart Bain, Ian Arbon, Rebecca Cadie, Danny Craig, Fiona Crawford, Petko Marinov, Alision Mathew, Audrey O'Brien Stewart)
- 25th Porvoo Link: The Church in Wales
- 26th Those struggling with mental illness
- 27th An end to slavery and human trafficking across the world
- 28th Love, peace and joy within marriage
- 29th Chaplaincy teams in the armed forces

Sunday 30th June Pentecost 6

ANGLICAN

Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

DIOCESAN

St Aidan's, Clarkston (Nicholas Taylor)

St Margaret of Scotland, Newlands

(Gordon Fyfe, David Jasper,

Charlotte Methuen, Mary Bowden)

Daily Prayers

- 31st The protection of human rights

JULY 2024

- 1st The continued good work of Childline
- 2nd Porvoo Link: The Lutheran Church of Portugal
- 3rd Diocesan Property Committee (Reuben Preston)
- 4th An end to homelessness in Scotland

5th Support and understanding for released prisoners

6th Diocesan Centre Staff
(Christine Hughes, Iolanthe Stack, Janet Chalmers)

Sunday 7th July Pentecost 7

ANGLICAN

The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

DIOCESAN

St Oswald's, King's Park (Alison Mathew).

St Ninian's, Pollokshields (Verity Brown, Kenneth Roach, Eamonn Rodgers).

Interregnum Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the ministry of our previous rectors, and we pray for your presence and blessing upon them.

We ask now that you will help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others and welcome newcomers.

Lord Jesus, guard and grow our church as we serve you together in this period without a Rector.

Please guide those who are seeking the right priest for us, and those who are seeking the right church for their ministry, that together we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow.
Amen.

Sunday Readings

Sixth Sunday of Easter

5th May 2024

Acts 10:44-48

Psalm 98

1 John 5:1-6

John 15:9-17

Seventh Sunday of Easter

12th May 2024

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Psalm 1

1 John 5:9-13

John 17:6-19

Day of Pentecost

19th May 2024

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:22-27

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Trinity Sunday

26th May 2024

Isaiah 6:1-8

Psalm 29

Romans 8:12-17

John 3:1-17



Pentecost 2

2nd June 2024

1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Mark 2:23-3:6

Pentecost 3

9th June 2024

1 Samuel 8:4-20

Psalm 138

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Mark 3:20-35

Pentecost 4

16th June 2024

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Psalm 20

2 Corinthians 5:6-17

Mark 4:26-34

Pentecost 5

23rd June 2024

1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 18:10-16

Psalm 133

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

Pentecost 6

30th June 2024

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

Psalm 130

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43

Pentecost 7

7th July 2024

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

Psalm 48

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Mark 6:1-13

Fair Trade



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

We have been running a fair trade stall occasionally, but that has had to be suspended in recent times. We are hoping that Marion Martin will provide a stall for us about four times a year. Marion is the local organiser for Fairtrade events.

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

Kalendar

MAY 2024

Wed 1st Philip and James, Apostles

Thu 2nd 10am Said Eucharist in the Choir Vestry

Sun 5th Sixth Sunday of Easter

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

Mon 6th - Tue 7th Rogation Days

Wed 8th Rogation Day

7.30pm Mothers' Union Meeting (see page 10)

Thu 9th ASCENSION DAY

10am Service of the Word in Choir Vestry
12noon & 8pm Mothers' Union Diocesan Prayer Space on Zoom

Sun 12th Seventh Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension)

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)
Twelfth Anniversary of the Consecration of Bishop of Edinburgh

Tue 14th Matthias, Apostle

Thu 16th 10am Service of the Word in Choir Vestry

Sat 18th 7.30pm Music @ St Cyprian's Concert - **Roo & Neil** (see page 7)

Sun 19th THE DAY OF PENTECOST (Whitsunday)

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

Wed 22nd Ember Day

Thu 23rd 10am Service of the Word in Choir Vestry

Fri 24th & Sat 25th Ember Days

Sun 26th Trinity Sunday

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)
7pm The Journey - meditation at St James, Bishopbriggs

Thu 30th Corpus Christi

10am **Said Eucharist** in Choir Vestry

Fri 31st The Visit of Mary to Elizabeth

JUNE 2024

Sun 2nd Pentecost 2

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

Thu 6th 10am Service of the Word in Choir Vestry

Sun 9th Pentecost 3
10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

Mon 10th Columba of Iona, Abbot, 597

Tue 11th Barnabas, Apostle

Wed 12th TBC Mothers' Union outing

Thu 13th 10am Service of the Word in Choir Vestry
12noon & 8pm Mothers' Union Diocesan Prayer Space on Zoom

Sat 15th Members of the Church who suffered under the Penal Laws

Sun 16th Pentecost 4
10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

Thu 20th 10am Service of the Word in Choir Vestry

Sun 23rd Pentecost 5
10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)
7pm The Journey - meditation at St James, Bishopbriggs

Mon 24th The Birth of John the Baptist

Thu 27th 10am **Said Eucharist** in Choir Vestry

Sat 29th Peter and Paul, Apostles
11am **Bishop Kevin's Farewell Service**
marking 45 years of ordained ministry
— at St Mary's Cathedral, Great Western Road, Glasgow

Sun 30th Pentecost 6
10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

JULY 2024

Thu 4th 10am Service of the Word in Choir Vestry

Sun 7th Pentecost 7
10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

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/

If any of this changes, we'll update our website and advise those who receive the Link by email of the changes. The Link can be downloaded from link.stcyprianslenzie.com. Sign up for the email at styprianslenzie.com.

Vacancy Update

The Vestry has continued to meet regularly as a whole and in sub-groups to progress the vacancy process. So far, we can report that:

- We have produced a draft profile that was discussed in the Congregational meeting held on 25th February. This was updated following the meeting and is now regarded as more or less final.
- The Finance and Property Group has met to assist Maxine, as Treasurer, to draft the required financial planning document, which has to be submitted to the diocese. As we said last time, this document asks for information about our current finances, and the budgeted costs associated with appointing a new Rector and refurbishing the Rectory. We have now produced

financial projections, which show we may need some support from the Diocese and Province.

- The Vestry met the Bishop and Dean on 5th April to discuss progress. They are both happy with where we are and supportive of our intent to proceed to advertise.
- We now need to get on with producing the video. Having seen a few examples of other church's videos, it's the contributions of the people that really matter, so don't be shy! The Bishop and Dean emphasised how important the video is in attracting potential candidates.

So you can see we have made significant progress, but are perhaps a little behind with our aim of being able to advertise in May. Please continue to pray for this process and all involved in it.

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Date	Server	Reader	Intercessor	Coffee	Counting
5 May 2024	Sally Hadden	Maxine Gow	Gavin Boyd	Eileen Ferry	
12 May 2024	Mary Haigh	Stuart Strong	Mary Haigh	Pat & Paul Hindle	
19 May 2024	Sally Hadden	Jacqui Stother	Aileen Mundy	Aileen Mundy	
26 May 2024	Aileen Mundy	Eileen Ferry	Sally Hadden	Anne Carswell	Tony Farnell & Sally Hadden
2 Jun 2024	Paul Hindle	Sally Hadden	Glennis Tavener	Precious & Myke Mba	
9 Jun 2024	Mary Haigh	Jill Taylor	Maxine Gow	Mary & Gavin Boyd	
16 Jun 2024	Sally Hadden	Mary Boyd	Mary Haigh	Janet Faughey	
23 Jun 2024	Mary Haigh	Stuart Strong	Jacqui Stother	Pat & Paul Hindle	Gavin Boyd & Jacqui Stother
30 Jun 2024	Aileen Mundy	Anne Carswell	Gavin Boyd	Maxine Gow	
7 Jul 2024	Paul Hindle	Kevin Wilbraham	Aileen Mundy	Judith Beastall	