



St. Cyprian's

Link

**Sunday 4th Jan
Christmas 2**

**Services today:
9.15am – Eucharist
10.30am – Eucharist**

We also have Holy Communion on Thursday Morning at 10.00am, followed by Tea or Coffee for everyone who would like to join us

How well do you know our church? Over the next few weeks I intend to put an “obscure” photo of things within our church. Do you know what they are/where they are? For example – do you know where the picture is in the top left of this Newsletter? Answer in the bottom right hand corner.

PRAYERS

ANGLICAN: The Diocese of Lagos West (Nigeria) and their Bishop: Rt Rev James Odedeji, and the Diocese of Lagos Mainland (also Nigeria) and their Bishop: Rt Rev Adebayo Akinde.

DIOCESAN: St. Margaret’s, Newlands (Scott Robertson, Maggs McTernan and Charlotte Methuen).

Daily Prayers

5th Families, especially those facing problems and divisions.

6th For teachers and children returning to school

7th The “Big Issue” sellers and all trying to make a new start.

8th The Church of Sweden, and their leader Torben Clemmenson.

9th The work of “Hart for the City”, and Lukas Njenga.

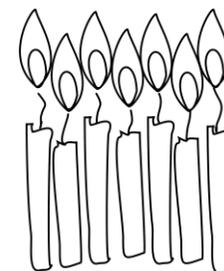
10th Ministers of the Sacrament, and pastoral visitors..

Please remember in your prayers: Margaret Conway; Beryl Taverner; Daphne Fraser; Cynthia Frost, Susan Frost; Kirsty Kilday; Eric and Sheila Oakes; Mark Parry; Alan Paterson; Doreen Rendell; Karen Rose; Geoff Scobie; Jack Smith; Grace Joss and for all those in the “Prayer Book” at the back of the church.

If you would like to get something into the Link please let Les know on 0141-776 3866 or e-mail rector@stcyprianslenzie.com by teatime on Wednesday evenings. Thanks.

Reflections on Christmas:

This Christmas was a really good time for our church, and a time to give thanks to God for the good things that happened, and to pray that we can build on the good things that did happen. Give thanks for:



- The numbers of people who came to our Christmas services. I counted up for our Christmas services, and reckon perhaps 30 people came who do not attend our church regularly, over half of whom I had never met before. Pray that the encounter these people had will draw them closer to God, and to become part of our family.
- The number of children who came to our services, particularly our Christingle service on Christmas Eve. I reckon half a dozen joined us. Pray that these children may know the love of God throughout their lives.
- The Christmas Fair, which was a great time of fellowship and reaching out, as well as fund-raising. Pray that those who showed interest in our church life will want to be part of our family life as God’s people. Similarly, the concert a week after the Fair was also a good evening, and people showed a lot of support for our need for a new organ. Pray that people will continue to support our need for a new organ.
- The opportunity to share the Christmas message with other groups, particularly the childminder group and the local guide division. Pray that we may continue to build links with others outside of our fellowship.

Got this in a Christmas Cracker: What’s bad tempered and goes with Custard?

Apple Grumble!

Picture: One of the four angels at the roof eaves of the chancel area of the church.