

# st. Cyprian's Link

# Sunday 17th Aug Trinity 9

## **Services today:**

9.15am – Eucharist 10.30am – Eucharist (Hymns from "Hymns Ancient and Modern)

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

If you would like to get something into the Link over the next few weeks please let Kath Potts know – and thanks to Kath for doing the Link for the next few weeks.

#### **PRAYERS**

**ANGLICAN:** The United Church of South India, the Rt Rev. Gnanasigamony Devakadasham - moderator. **DIOCESAN:** St. John the Evangelist, Grannock: St.

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

### **Daily Prayers:**

18<sup>th</sup> Aug: Protection of children and vulnerable adults.

19<sup>th</sup> Aug: Working families trying to make ends meet.

20<sup>th</sup> Aug: The sanctity of marriage.

21<sup>st</sup> Aug: Pastoral and Eucharistic Assistants in the diocese.

22<sup>nd</sup> Aug: Christian homes and family life.

23<sup>rd</sup> Aug: Christian stewardship.

**KEYS:** With the move of the office from its former position into the Vestry, and the change in locking system for the back door, we need to track down who has which keys. There is a chart in church where you can put this information. Could you please put your name on the chart if you have keys, and tick which keys you have. If you have any keys but feel you do not need them, or never use them, could you please return them to the Rector.

From our Rector: AS you know, I am away from our charge for a month with surgery, and hopefully when you read this the surgery will have been successful. Please feel free to visit either in hospital or when I get home — I love having visitors! Maybe best to give Lucy a ring first on 0141 776 3866 before visiting.

While recovering you will be my prayers, and I know you will support those standing in for me while I am away.

Many will know, but others may not, about the changes that have taken place in our church this summer. I thought it might be worth describing a bit of what has changed.

Firstly we welcome Applebays, who launched last Thursday. Applebays is a private company run by two local mothers, which provides breakfast and afterschool activities for young people mainly of primary school age. They will be renting the hall and choir vestry each morning from 7.30 – 9.00am, and from 3.00pm till tea-time. This is a major development for us – Applebays will be taking on a significant amount of time in the use of the hall. Please pray for them as they make an important contribution to community life in Lenzie, and will play a major part in the life of our church over the coming years.

The arrival of Applebays has meant some changes. We have had to increase the number of ladies toilets – and the former office has been suitably converted, with the original ladies toilets becoming the gents. We have had to clear space for storage, and some of the unnecessary stuff in our building has been disposed of – some sold, some passed on to other churches.

In the near future, it also means some changes to our grounds – we are looking to fence an area as an outdoor space for hall users, who will use the fire escape of the hall as access to this area. This will be done as much as possible within keeping of the grounds, probably using chestnut paling fencing and rustic gates.

There may be other things changing a bit in the near future – please pray for these changes, and I know everyone will help and support the changes made.

Two fish in a tank – one turns to the other and says – do you know how to drive this thing?

What is the difference between a buffalo and a Bison? You can't wash your hands in a buffalo.....!