



# ST CYPRIAN'S LINK

**Sunday 10th January  
The Baptism of Jesus**

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

***We also have Holy Communion on  
Thursday Morning at 10.00am,  
followed by Tea or Coffee: everyone  
welcome.***

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

“Contact the Elderly” is a charity which cares for isolated and lonely elderly people. In this area this is done initially through setting up monthly teas for small groups of elderly - including providing volunteers to give lifts - to socialise and simply “get out.” As a church we have offered support to the local organisation, and may well host such teas in the near future.

If you know of anyone who might benefit from being part of such a group, please let the Rector know. If you want to know more, then please ask him. You can find out more about the organisation at:

**<http://www.contact-the-elderly.org.uk>**

## PRAYERS

**ANGLICAN:** The Anglican Church of Australia, and their Bishop the Most Rev. Philip Freier, Archbishop of Melbourne and primate of Australia.

**DIOCESAN:** Holy Name, Cumbernauld (Moirra Jamieson, Ray Gascoigne); St. Cyprian, Lenzie, (Les Ireland)

### Daily Prayers

- 11<sup>th</sup>: Ministers of the Sacrament and Pastoral Visitors.
- 12<sup>th</sup>: Families, especially those facing problems or divisions.
- 13<sup>th</sup>: Kirkintilloch and Harestanes Baptist Churches.
- 14<sup>th</sup>: The people and city of Glasgow.
- 15<sup>th</sup>: Bible study and prayer groups.
- 16<sup>th</sup>: Pope Francis and the Church of Rome.

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

### Some dates in January:

Wed 13<sup>th</sup>: 1pm: Mothers Union AGM, including soup and bread lunch, in the choir vestry.

Mon 18<sup>th</sup>: Next Meeting of the Vestry, 7.30pm in the choir vestry.

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup>: 7pm: ACTS Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, at St. Cyprian's. **Please note the change of venue.** (ACTS: Action for Churches Together in Scotland – the umbrella organisation which brings churches of different denominations together).

A number of people have been discussing a couple of issues about our Communion Service on a Sunday morning. We would love to hear your views and hope to discuss them at our next vestry meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> January:

- 1) Should we have a communion hymn? After the majority of people have received the Bread and Wine, we normally sing a hymn. Some have expressed the view that they would rather this period was quiet so they can make their own prayers. What do you think?
- 2) Some people would love to come to the altar for communion, but find it difficult to climb the steps to the rail (which are a death trap!). Would it be possible to receive communion at the foot of the steps? We have experimented a little with this over the Christmas period, with limited success – it has made the communion rather more chaotic. (This would not affect those who receive communion in their seats.)

Any thoughts or ideas? Please let the Rector know.

An attendant at Canterbury Cathedral was approached by 2 tourists, and asked: are you a monk?

The attendant explained he wasn't – the robe was part of his uniform. He explained that there hadn't been any monks there since 1415.

One of the tourists looked at their watch and said to the other: “Damn, we missed them by 35 minutes.....”