

St. Cyprian's Link

The Weekly Newsletter for St. Cyprian's Church, Lenzie.

**10th December 2017
– Advent 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: everyone welcome.

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

PRAYERS

ANGLICAN: The diocese of North Carolina (USA): The Rt Revd Jose Antonio McLoughlin

DIOCESAN: Christ Church, Lanark (Drew Sheridan, Robert Burgon, Richard Evans);

Daily Prayers

11th: The National Meningitis Trust

12th: Victim Support Scotland, helping those affected by crime.

13th: Those who are affected by visual and/or aural impairment.

14th: Our preparations for the Christmas festival.

15th: For the oppressed and persecuted Christians and martyrs.

16th: Those who find Christmas as difficult time of the year.

Please remember in your prayers: Jean Dick, Chris Zochowski, Matthew Whittaker; Pam Bently; Donald Gow; Jean Kinnon, Margaret Conway; Susan Frost; Alan Paterson; Doreen Rendell; Karen Rose; Grace Joss and those in the "Prayer Book" at the back of the church.

As a tradition over recent years, we have created an "alternative" Christmas presentation in church through advent. This year we will be doing this from 1 – 3pm, on Monday afternoons – 4th, 11th and 18th. It's a great fun activity – so if you're free why not come along – there's always something for everyone to do! And plenty of tea and coffee.....



Our Mother's Union is hosting our church Christmas lunch today Sunday 10th December after the 10.30am service. Please stay and join us for our "Bring and Share" lunch.

Any financial donations will be sent to the MU Christmas Appeal to help women who have experienced gender-based violence get back on their feet and build a new life for themselves and their family – both in the UK and further afield. More information about the Appeal will be available on the day, and can be found on the MU website.

From Glennis:

We have a trad craft stall this week. On it will be some packs of Kilombero rice. This is part of a project set up by Gavin's Mill (the old coach house). The project is aimed at improving the livelihoods of rice farmers in Karonga (in Malawi) through selling their seed, and using the proceeds to help in the development of education in their area. It is hoped to make this sustainable by developing an assured market in Scotland and beyond. For a better understanding, please read the leaflet available. Please support this project by buying the rice they have produced.

Currently we do not quite have the final total for the Christmas Fair, but it looks likely that we will make about £2100. Well done to everyone who helped!!!

Christmas Services:

Sunday 17th December – 6.30pm: Carol Service.

Sunday 24th December –

normal services in the morning.

5pm – Christingle Service (with refreshments after)

11.30pm: Midnight Communion service.

Christmas Day – Holy Communion at 10.30am.