# St. Cyprians link

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

## 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2017 – Advent Sunday

#### **Services today**

9.15am – Eucharist 10.30am – Eucharist 3.00pm – Eucharist at Lilyburn

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 West Buganda (Uganda): The Rt Revd Henry Katumba-Tamale.

**DIOCESAN:** The Good Shepherd and Ascension, Hillington (Vacant); St. Aidan's Clarkston (Nicholas Taylor)

#### **Daily Prayers**

4<sup>th</sup>: The rejection of discrimination & stigmatisation

5<sup>th</sup>: The people of Finland of their national independence day.

6<sup>th</sup>: The continuing refugee crisis.

7<sup>th</sup>: East Dunbartonshire "Spirit of Christmas"

8<sup>th</sup>: "Women's Aid" helping those affected by domestic abuse.

9<sup>th</sup>: St. Cyprian's Mother's Union

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 – 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. 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.....

Many thanks to everyone who did anything to make our Christmas Fair special, and worked so hard for it.

We did make a number of changes this year – over the weeks to come we will be asking people to let us know how we might make it even better.....

Today - 3<sup>rd</sup> December – we will be holding our AGM about midday after our morning service. Please stay behind and join us for should not be a long meeting.....

Today and tomorrow Concordia – the ACTS choir – will be presenting their advent presentation: "Exultate Deo". Please come along

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> 7pm – Concordia at St. David's Church.

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> 7pm – Concordia at the Carmelite convent on Waterside Rd..

Our Mother's Union is looking forward to hosting our church Christmas lunch on Sunday  $10^{th}$  December after the 10.30am service. This will be a 'bring and share' lunch, so if you would like to contribute to the meal please see Maxine Gow.

Financial donations on the day 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. Our 2 course lunch is available to all – we would love to see you on the day.

### **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.