St. Cyprian's Link

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

18th February 2018 – Lent 1

Services today

9.15am – Eucharist 10.30am – Eucharist 3.00pm – 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 Church of the province of Central Africa: The Most Revd Albert Chama, Archbishop of Central Africa and Bishop of Northern Zambia.

DIOCESAN: South Ayrshire Team: Holy Trinity, Ayre, St. Oswald's, Maybole (Andrew Baldock).

Daily Prayers

19th: For all those on a study course.

20th : The Fairtrade Foundation.

21st : For all those whose ministry is in the voluntary sector.

22nd: For Health Visitors and District Nurses 23rd: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland 24th: For sincerity, truth and love in our relationships.

Please remember in your prayers: Peter Mundy; Jean Dick, 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 Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst... He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you."– Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Our rector has entered the 21st century, by getting himself a smartphone! His number is 07483802647.

We have now entered Lent. As part of Lent we are having a series of "afternoons" where we are going to look at the events leading up to Easter, as well spending some time finding creative ways of expressing what we believe about the stories.

We are doing this on Monday afternoons, starting tomorrow (19th February) from 1.30 – 3.00pm. Everyone is welcome.

This year's Bishop's Lent Appeal is for MND Scotland. MND – Motor Neuron Disease. Bishop Gregor says:

I have decided that this year's Appeal will be for MND Scotland in memory of our late Diocesan Secretary, Chris Zochowski who died from Motor Neurone Disease earlier this year.

You can visit the MND Scotland website for further information: <u>http://www.mndscotland.org.uk</u>

Collection boxes are available in church for people to take, put in change etc, and return just after Easter.

Butterflies.....

There are always people who feel they need the strength of God – people struggling in all sorts of ways: through illness, sadness, loneliness, depression – in many different ways. One way to receive the strength of God is through prayer with the laying on of hands. This is something we offer in all our services – both on Sunday and Thursdays through the week.

At the top of the church by the choir stalls (on a Sunday) and in the choir vestry on a Thursday there is a pot with "butterfly sticks" in it. If you want to be prayed for, then simply take one of those to the altar rail (on a Sunday) or just hold it on a Thursday, and the Rector will pray for you. A sign – God wants to, and will bring new hope and strength to your life.