The Link

The Newsletter for St. Cyprian's Church, Lenzie
20th June 2021

We have worship in church and online at 10.30am.

The service will be streamed on Zoom. How to get into the streamed service is circulated by E.mail during the week, and is also posted on our website and other social media sites.

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Each Sunday we are creating a short special online service. It should be available on Sundays. The easiest way to "find" it is to go to the front of our website and simply click on the link.

https://stcyprianslenzie.com

The video will also be on social media, particularly our facebook page, as well as other local facebook pages.

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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.

Please note, for the foreseeable future the Link – our weekly newsletter – will only be available online. If someone wants a paper version, we are happy to print one off and get it to you. Just contact the Rector.

Through these difficult times we are keen that people don't feel isolated or in need. If you need help, or simply want to chat feel free to phone the Rector at any time on 0141 776 3866.

Sunday 20th June

Anglican: The Church of North India (*see below).

Diocesan: St. Mary's, Gatehouse of Fleet; St Francis of Assisi (Greyfriars), Kirkcudbright (Stephen Hazlett)

21st: The work of Macmillan Cancer Support.

22nd: Social services working in our area.

23rd: Diocesan Council.

24th: Diocese of Argyll and the Isles (Bishop: Keith Riglin).

25th: An end to slavery and human trafficking across the world.

26th: Nightshift workers in hospitals and care homes.

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Please pray for these people: Peter Hemming; Barbara Fairlee, Rosa Revell and her sister; Bob And Gill Anderson; Shaunda Day, Justina Oguogu; Kennedy Fraser; Duncan and Shona Naysmith; Jean McLean and her mother; Jean Dick, Jean Kinnon, Margaret Conway; Susan Frost; Alan Paterson; Karen Rose; and those whose names are in the "Prayer Book" at the back of church.

Readings set for 20th June (Pentecost 4):

1Samuel 17: 32-49;	Psalm 9: 9-20.
2Corinthians 6:1-13;	Mark 4:35-41

Collect: O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

I know people are keen to resume having tea and coffee after services, and my hope was we would be able to resume this Sunday. However, the government this week delayed our local authority from moving from level 2 to level 1 Covid-19 restrictions. Because of this I regret I have to say I still do not think this is viable, but hope when the next change in protection levels is implemented, we will be able to resume "supping" together.

We were also hoping to be able to sing again – behind masks – but this delay in moving down the levels also delays this as well. Even when we can sing again, we will take things cautiously – singing behind a mask, I've heard, may not be as great experience.

* At some stage in the past I was involved with the Church of North India (CNI), being part of a group which supported the Diocese of Barrackpore in that Church. It is a quite remarkable Church founded in 1970, on the amalgamation of the Anglican Church, the Baptist Church, The Brethren Church, The Methodist Church, the Presbyterian Church and groups from the Mar Toma Church. It is part of the Anglican Communion.

In the Asian subcontinent there are a number of united churches. The first was the Church of South India, more recently a United Church in Pakistan and a United Church of Bangladesh have been formed.

The CNI has about 2.2 million members, 3000 churches in 26 diocese. It also runs 65 hospitals and 564 Educational Institutions. You can find out more from their website: cnisynod.org