St Cyprian's Link - 9th January 2022

Sunday 9th January

Anglican: Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

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

10th: All bible study and prayer groups.

11th: Diocesan Council

12th: Porvoo Link – The Church of Sweden

13th: Those who are bedridden and housebound

14th: SEC diocese of Argyll and the Isles (Bishop Keith Riglin)

15th: The people and city of Glasgow.

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Please pray for these people: Bill Fergus; Barry Fergus; Barbara Fairlee, Rosa Revell and her sister; 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.

April the 7th, 2023, will be the 150th anniversary of the opening of St. Cyprian's Church, and we will hopefully celebrate…….
We were due to have a meeting today to suggest ideas, but with the current Covid restrictions we need to postpone this for a couple of weeks and re-organise as soon as possible. If you do have any suggestions please let the Rector know as soon as possible.
The nearest Sunday to the anniversary is the 9th April, and our Bishop – Rt Rev. Kevin Pearson – has already been invited to preach.
On our website there is a copy of a booklet written for the 100th anniversary quotes the Scottish Guardian from 1873 :
'The following description of this new and elegant building, which has been erected at a cost of about £2,600, has been furnished by the architect, Alexander Ross, Esq., of Inverness. "The church is built in the form of a simple parallelogram. . . . The entrance porch is situated at the south-west end of the nave; and a stone-capped tower, . . . rises from the south side of the choir to a height of 84 feet. On the north side and corresponding with the position of the tower, is the vestry, with heating chamber under. The church is seated for about 270 persons. The style adopted is of an early Scottish character." . . . . Several of the windows have already been filled with stained glass of good design and colouring. The east one, representing the Ascension, is the gift of T. Craig Christie, Esq., of Bedlay: the north, a threelight, depicting the Nativity, Crucifixion, and Resurrection, the gift of the incumbent. The three quatrefoil windows in the south chancel wall, filled with figures of three angels bearing the eucharistic emblems, were presented by Lady and the two Misses Edmonstone, of Duntreath. The stone altar, ten feet long, which is duly vested and ornamented, was given by the incumbent . . . . .' *(The first incumbent - Rev. Dr. Flemyng' - seems to have been very generous. The 14th Incumbent is not so generous!!!!!!!!)*

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.

Hymns this Sunday are From "Hymns Ancient and Modern":
51, 47, 48, 440
At Communion: 49

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On Thursday mornings we have worship at 10.00am, to which everyone is welcome – this is currently online.

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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.

Everyone is aware that with the new Omicron Variant Covid-19 rates are soaring. Current guidelines from the Scottish Episcopal Church, mean there will be no refreshments after our services for a few weeks.

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 just phone the Rector at any time on 0141 776 3866.

Our Mother's Union Group is meeting this coming Wednesday - 12th Jan at 7.30pm. It's their AGM, plus David and Jill Taylor will be talking about their trip to Antarctica a few years ago. They are not sure whether this will be in person, or more likely on Zoom. Contact Maxine Gow if you don't hear!