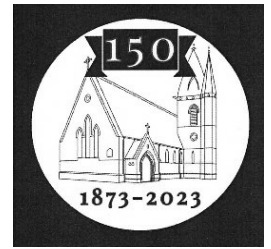


ST. CYPRIAN'S CHURCH LINK

SUNDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2023

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Today we have worship in church and online at 10.30am (see website for online access).

The service will be a Sung Eucharist and we welcome back Revd David Cameron, as our preacher and celebrant.

Hymns from Hymns Ancient & Modern N.S. (Red book)

Introit 30 Hark the glad sound the Saviour comes

Gradual 233 O thou who camest from above

Offertory 142 Hail to the Lord's Anointed (omit vs 2 & 4)

Communion 256 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Recessional 239 Forth in Thy name O Lord I go



Please join us for a chat and refreshments in the Hall after the service.

ANGLICAN The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
DIOCESAN Good Shepherd & Ascension, Hillington; Holy Trinity & St Barnabas, Paisley (Deborah Davison)

St Cyprian's Congregation and Vestry for the Vacancy and the process of finding a new Rector

Daily Prayers

- 18th Porvoo Link: The Spanish Episcopal Reformed Church
- 19th Episcopalians in isolated parts of the country
- 20th Peace throughout the world
- 21st Safety for those travelling over the holiday period
- 22nd Our preparations for the Christmas Festival
- 23rd Those who find Christmas a difficult time of year

Please also pray for these people: Agnes Rose; Bill Fergus; Rosa Revell and her sister; Sheila and Shaunda; Ruth Mitchell; Kennedy Fraser; Duncan Naysmith; Jean McLean and her mother; Jean Dick; Margaret Conway; Susan Frost; Alan Paterson; Karen Rose; Tom and Lynda; Val Fallon; and all those recently bereaved.

If you would like to get something into the Link for next Sunday, please let our Paul Hindle know on 0141-776 3237 or e-mail link@stcyprianslenzie.com by teatime on **Wednesday 20th December 2023**

Thursday Morning Worship

Worship using the *Liturgy of the Word* is at 10am in the Choir Vestry. It is followed by refreshments, to which everyone is welcome. Please enter via the church.

Prayer Book at the back of the church

The original book seems to have been lost, so a new one is now in place. We sometimes include in our intercessions a reference to this book, which has been a bit odd when it wasn't there! Please write names of anyone you would like to be included in our prayers, so we can all pray for them.

Christmas Services

Please note, we'll have services at 10.30am on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. No midnight service this year.

FLOWER FESTIVAL 2024 CALENDAR

The calendar of photographs taken at the Flower Festival is now available. It is priced at £8 per copy including an envelope. It would make a great Christmas present. All profits go to support the work of St. Cyprian's.

If you have taken any calendars to sell (or on account), please let Maxine have the money as soon as possible.



Advent Wreath - Third Sunday of Advent
The lighting of the third candle:
Joy

O God of our Joy, come~

In gratitude, we remember you as creator of all, yet still mindful of each of your children.

Grant us the patience to live in joyful hope,

to trust in your abiding presence.

Open our eyes to see your healing at work in our lives

that we might touch the world with tender, compassionate care.

Give us the wisdom, courage and strength

to bring the joy of your love

to transform the earth

and to light the way to a more just and peaceful world.

We ask this through Christ, our Saviour and our joy. Amen.

MU Christmas Lunch

Our MU Branch is holding a simple Christmas Lunch in the hall after today's 10.30am service. Soup, bread, cheese and a slice of Christmas cake. All are invited to attend. Donations would be appreciated with half the money coming to church funds and half going to the MU Christmas Appeal.

Carol and Christingle Service

This evening at 6.30pm

Janet Lax's pupils will make this a very special service. Please come along and join in.

Interim Priest in Charge

The Revd. Canon Paul Watson, Rector of St James the Less, Bishobriggs has taken on this role. He can be contacted on 07943 026773 or by email on paulrobertwatson@gmail.com in case anyone needs visiting or pastoral care.