ST. CYPRIAN'S CHURCH LINK SUNDAY 21st JANUARY 2024 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Today we have worship in church and online at 10.30am (see website for online access). The service is a Sung Eucharist and we welcome back the Revd Malcolm Crook as our celebrant and preacher. *Hymns from* Hymns Ancient & Modern N.S. (Red book) 53 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise Introit (omit v4) A new Commandment I give unto Gradual you (words overleaf) Offertory 47 Brightest and best are the songs of the morning **Communion** 181 May the grace of Christ our Saviour **Recessional** 101 O worship the King Please join us for a chat and refreshments in the Hall after the service.

ANGLICAN The Church of South India (United)

DIOCESAN St Cuthbert's, Cambuslang; St Mark's, East Kilbride (Vacant)

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

Daily Prayers

- 22nd Missions to Seafarers and the work of the RNLI
- 23rd The Church of Scotland
- 24th Porvoo Link: Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church Abroad
- 25th Digital Engagement Officer (Petko Marinov)
- 26th Respect and understanding for people of different faiths
- 27th The National Health Service

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; Bishop Kevin; the family of James Courtney and all others who have recently been bereaved. Also please remember those whose names appear in the **Prayer Book** at the back of the church and the Vestry who are meeting again today to move the vacancy process along.

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 24th January 2024

The deadline for the February 2024 issue of Cyprian*Life* is this Sunday 21st January

FLOWER FESTIVAL 2024 CALENDAR

The calendar of photographs taken at the Flower Festival is still available at £8 per copy including an envelope.

Thursday Morning Worship

This Thursday, 25th January 2024, our Interim Priest will celebrate the **Eucharist** at 10am in the Choir Vestry. The service will mark the Conversion of Paul, Apostle. Please come along for this special service. There will be refreshments as usual after the service. Everyone is welcome. Please enter via the main church door.

Vacancy Update

Following a break over the Christmas period, the Vestry met on 14th January, and after discussion, have agreed the following actions, as part of the process towards appointing a new Rector:

- Maxine, as Treasurer, will draft the required financial planning document, which has to be submitted to the diocese. This document asks for information about our current finances, and the budgeted costs associated with appointing a new Rector.
- A small group (Paul, Gavin and Sally) will look at the example template for a parish profile provided by the Scottish Episcopal Church, and also at our profile from the last vacancy, with a view to drawing up the draft outline for a new and current parish profile.
- The Vestry will consider this draft, arrange various communication methods/meetings to invite and enable contributions from everyone, and source other information that may be helpful.
- The Vestry will revisit our "Bricks without Straw document" to use as part of this process.
- The Vestry will also start planning to make a video about St Cyprian's, again involving everyone who wishes to contribute.

Both the Parish Profile and the video are used as part of the process of advertising the vacancy.

We are hoping to make significant progress by early summer, so as you will appreciate, the next few weeks are certainly going to be busy! Please continue to pray for this process and all involved in this.

Rectory Cleaning Party - 27th January 2024, 10.30am

The Rectory needs a general clean up prior to taking photos and video as part of the vacancy process. Please come along to 58 Waverley Park with carpet and hard floor cleaning equipment next Saturday.

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.