



**6 June 2024**

## **375<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Tonight, Thursday 6 June, at 7.30pm in the church hall, local historian **Donald Shankland** will be giving a talk on **The Heritors of New Kilpatrick**, with stories about the owners of the district's large estates and houses. Donald is an expert on Bearsden's history, and it will be an interesting evening.

On Saturday 15 June at 7pm, we have **a retelling of the story of the parish**, which later will be touring local primary schools. A dramatisation of the parish tale and how we grew to be Bearsden: **Story of a Stone**. This project is a partnership between NK and Bearsden Festival to celebrate the 375th Anniversary of the parish. **There will also be a short film** that was created as a Festival project by local teenagers during the October week last year. The film provides a glimpse into the effect of social media on their lives, and has been written, directed, and acted by the young people themselves with support from young professional film makers. There will be a chance to hear more from the creative teams behind both projects and an opportunity to ask questions over some refreshments.

## **New Kilpatrick Ramblers**

**The next NK Ramblers walk is to Meikle Bin in the Campsie Fells this Saturday, 8th June. Hopefully we will get a fine clear day so that we can enjoy the extensive views.**

The walk is about 7 miles long, graded strenuous, with 350m ascent on forestry tracks and footpaths.

Further information, including meeting place and time, is on the poster in the church hall window. All who like to walk are welcome.

## **The General Election**

**The national church has asked us to make you aware of the following:**

The Church of Scotland does not endorse or support individual candidates or parties, but, as part of our commitment to the common good, many congregations and Christian organisations support participation in democratic activity.

There are new photo-ID requirements for this election, and we are wanting to remind church members to check they have eligible ID, or, if not, that they know how to get a free Voter Authority Certificate.

If you need to register to vote - do so by 18 June

The new photo-ID requirements mean you'll need eligible ID when you vote. This is the first election in Scotland where photo-ID is mandatory. If you don't have an accepted form of ID you must apply for a Voter Authority Certificate - by 26 June.

Eligible Photo-ID:

- Passport
- Driving licence
- A Blue Badge
- Scottish National Entitlement Card
- Older Person's Bus Pass funded by the UK Government
- Disabled Person's Bus Pass funded by the UK Government
- Freedom Pass
- Identity card bearing the Proof of Age Standards Scheme hologram (a PASS card)
- Biometric immigration document
- Ministry of Defence Form 90 (Defence Identity Card)
- National identity card issued by an EEA state
- Electoral Identity Card issued in Northern Ireland

Thursday 4 July is in the first full week of the school holidays for many areas of Scotland.

If you are going to be away from home it is important that you apply for a postal vote (by 19 June) or a proxy vote (deadline 26 June).

## Bearsden Rock Choir

**Bearsden and Milngavie Rock Choir would like to invite you to their summer performance.** It takes place in the church on Thursday 20 June, 7-8 pm. Donations to **Scottish Woman's Aid** and **St Gregory's Foodbank**.

"Come and join us for some pop, rock, and chart songs!"

## St Gregory's Food Bank

**Another week of smiles - the trug is full again! What better gift can we give than food for the hungry?** As usual, non-perishable, nutritious foods are needed:

Tinned soup, fruit, stew, vegetables, fish and beans. Pasta, pasta sauce, and peanut butter. Also, baby essentials and hygiene products. Monetary gifts are extremely welcome too.

**"Grow for St. Gregory's"** - our last bulletin explained that Peter Davies, one of our enthusiastic gardeners, is keen to encourage others to help him supply freshly harvested vegetables for the Foodbank. Please contact Peter if you would like to find out more or would like advice - his email address is [psd@dmgovan.com](mailto:psd@dmgovan.com).

Carrier bags are needed. If you have any to spare, please leave them in the trug.

The halls are open Monday to Friday (9.00 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.) and Sunday mornings.

## Flower Festival

### "Celebrating the Hymns"

All Saints Church invite you to a **Flower Festival** on the following dates:

Friday 14 June, 10.30am - 4pm

Saturday 15 June, 10.30am - 4pm

Sunday 16 June, 2-4pm,

followed by **Songs of Praise** at 6pm.

Coffee, tea, and baking. All welcome.

## Strawberry Tea:

### East Dunbartonshire Welcomes Refugees

warmly invites you to a **Strawberry Tea** on Saturday 15 June, 2.30-4.30pm at **St Andrews Church Hall, Stewart Street, Milngavie**.

Home baking. Clothes swap (bring clothes in good condition).

Suggested donation, £5. All proceeds support EDWR and refugee families in East Dunbartonshire.

## Diary

### Thursday 6 June

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall.

### 375 Anniversary Talk:

#### The Heritors of New Kilpatrick

7.30pm in the hall. Free. All welcome.

### Friday 7 June

**Coffee Pot** 10am in the hall

### Sunday 9 June

**Morning Worship** 10.30am in the church.

**Short Communion service** after morning worship.

### Tuesday 11 June

**Baby & Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround.

**SingSong!** 2pm in the hall.

### Wednesday 12 June

**Baby & Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround.

**Midweek Service** 11am in the hall, followed by coffee and cake.

**Kirk Session meeting** 7.30pm in the hall.

### Thursday 13 June

**Baby & Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround.

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall.

### Friday 14 June

**Coffee Pot** 10am in the hall.

### Saturday 15 June

**375 Anniversary Play: Story of a Stone** - a retelling of the story of our parish, 7pm in the hall.

### Sunday 16 June

**Morning Worship** 10.30am

### Monday 17 June

**Monday Club** 2pm in the hall.

### Tuesday 18 June

**Baby and Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround

### Wednesday 19 June

**Baby and Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround

**Midweek Service** 11am in the hall, followed by coffee and cake.

### Thursday 20 June

**Baby and Toddlers** 9.15am in the walkround

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall.

### Bearsden and Milngavie Rock Choir

7-8pm in the church.

# What God *might* look like

Ever wondered what God looks like?

You know you only have to ask, and we did.

The Sunday School have gone where even Moses feared to tread and created images of what God might look like. A great kaleidoscope of fragments and moments.



## 375 Anniversary Garden Picnic

Photos from the day:

