



**21 November 2024**



voices to swell the melody will be just fine. Words and music can be supplied.

Let's make a **Bearsden Christmas chorus** to add to the fun community atmosphere around the Cross that day.

Let the church office know if you will be singing.

Thank you very much in anticipation for your help - Kirsteen Maclean (member of Bearsden Festival Committee).

## **Guild Christmas Coffee Morning and Craft Fair**

Don't miss the **Guild Christmas Coffee Morning this Saturday, 23 November, 10am-12noon.**

The perfect opportunity to buy gifts and get a cup of tea/coffee with home baking.

The craft tables will be laden with a wide variety of goods. Bottle stall too.

See you there!

## **Christmas at the Cross**



**Bearsden Festival is delighted to be hosting a Christmas Fair in partnership with the traders at the Cross!**

**7th December, 11am - 3pm.**

There will be **Santa, Elves, craft stalls, fizz, treasure hunt, live music and more!** All happening at the shops, cafés, Boys Brigade Hall & New Kilpatrick Hall and Stables.

A few **volunteers**, who could give a couple of hours on the day, will make things go merrily. If you can help, contact the church office (0141 942 8827, [mail@nkchurch.org.uk](mailto:mail@nkchurch.org.uk)).

## **Christmas at the Cross Carol Singing**

**Would you be willing to take part in a half-hour's carol-singing of the usual favourites as part of the Bearsden Festival's "Christmas at the Cross"? This will be on 7th December from 2.30 - 3pm outside the old stables beside New Kilpatrick Church Halls.** All voices welcome, harmony parts can be sung, but all

## **Advent and Christmas**

**Sunday 1st December:**

**Words and Music with the Choir for Advent** 10.30am

**Coffee with Christian Aid** following the service  
**Advent Carol Service** 5pm in All Saints

**Sunday 8th:**

**Gift Service** 10.30am

**Desert Island Hymns**

with Castaway **Barbara Ann** 6.30pm

**Sunday 22nd:**

**Nativity Sunday** 10.30am

**Carol Service** 4.30 shared with All Saints and The Cross **in New Kilpatrick**

**Tuesday 24th:**

**Light Festival**

6.30 **Lantern Workshop**, 7pm **Service**

**Watchnight**, 11.30am shared with All Saints **in New Kilpatrick**

**Wednesday 25th:**

**Christmas Day** 10.30am shared with The Cross, **in New Kilpatrick**

**Sunday 29th:**

**Sunday Service** 10.30am shared with The Cross **at The Cross Church building**

## **Local Christmas Concerts**

**Kelvin Choir Christmas Concert with Flute Phonics**

**Sunday 1 December at St Andrew's Church**

Tickets £6 (adults) £3 (children) including refreshments

From choir members or at the door (cash only).

**Westerton Male Voice Choir**

**The Spirit of Christmas - at the Movies!**

**Friday 13 December at 7.30pm**

**Saturday 14 December at 2pm & 7.30pm**

**New Kilpatrick Parish Church**

Tickets £10 [www.ticketsource.co.uk/wmvc](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/wmvc)

Or from Massimo's Bearsden,

[sing@bryan-marshall.com](mailto:sing@bryan-marshall.com) or choir members.

## Glasgow City Mission

is looking for 2 volunteers per night from New Kilpatrick for the Evening Drop In weeks beginning Monday 20 January and Monday 3 March 2025 from 6-8.30pm at the Crimea Street building.

Church volunteers will eat dinner with the Mission team and their guests, and join the regular teams in running the drop-in, serving food, cleaning up, etc.

Both sign-up sheets will be in the hall walkround this Sunday. For more information, contact Eileen Young on 07762 899127 or [eileen.young3@icloud.com](mailto:eileen.young3@icloud.com)

## NK Christmas Outreach

We have an Outreach project on the go again and anyone is welcome to join in for a first time with easy knitting, origami or baking.

Instructions can be supplied for you to follow in your own time, but we have a couple of workshops on Mondays 2nd and 9th December from 10-12am in the Halls where you are welcome to join in the activity, chat and coffee.

Please email [kirsteen7@btinternet.com](mailto:kirsteen7@btinternet.com) if you would like more information or to join our group.

## St Gregory's Food Bank

Christmas is just around the corner - a time of love and hope. We can do much to achieve this by giving to those in need at St. Gregory's.

This year, we have been asked to donate **small selection packs of chocolates/sweets**, which can be put in each food bag which is given out to the service users. Boxes/packets of chocolate biscuits would also be most acceptable.

All the usual foods are, of course, needed as well - e.g. tinned soup, vegetables, stew, fish & beans. Pasta and rice are also in great demand. Monetary gifts are very welcome indeed.

Please continue to support the Foodbank.

The Halls are open Monday to Friday, (9 am to 2.30 pm) and Sunday mornings.

## Thought for the Week

**"Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn".**

(Robert Burns 1759 - 1796)

## Bearsden Cross & NK Men's Group

Following the success of the first Curry Night, when we had 16 people attend, it has been decided to meet again as a Men's Group for conversation and company.

As not everyone is a fan of curry, we have decided that our next gathering will be an Italian Night at Massimo's restaurant, New Kirk Road on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.

Please let the church office know if you are interested in coming along so that one of the rooms can be booked (942 8827, [mail@nkchurch.org.uk](mailto:mail@nkchurch.org.uk)).

Please also just turn up on the night.

## NK Ramblers

The next NK Ramblers walk is this Saturday, 23 November. Grade moderate. Kilpatrick's Circular.

This is a walk on well-kent paths beginning and ending at Eden Mill, taking in Kilmannan Reservoir and Burncrooks Reservoir - a distance of 7 miles with a climb of less than 400 feet.

Meet at the Glebe Car Park at 9am. Bring a snack, waterproofs and boots.

Please contact the organiser if you wish to come. Contact details are on the poster in the hall walkround.

All who like to walk are welcome.

Photo from the recent Drymen Circular walk.



## NK Book Group

The first meeting of the NK Book Club is next Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in the Walkround.

We will have a chat, talk about our likes and dislikes and choose some books to read. Please bring some recommendations. See you there!

# Coffee Pot

**The Coffee Pot on Friday mornings in the hall is very popular.** We could do with some more helpers to prepare, serve, socialise, add to the friendly atmosphere, and/or do some home baking. If this is you, contact the church office (0141 942 8827, [mail@nkchurch.org.uk](mailto:mail@nkchurch.org.uk)).

**Advance warning:** the **Coffee Pot Christmas lunch** is on Friday 13 December 12noon for 12.30pm in the hall. If you would like to come, please let the church office know (942 8827). Suggested donation £3, profits to St Gregory's.

# Christian Aid Christmas Appeal

**'No Room For Comfort and Joy..... when you've left everything behind to survive'.**

This Christmas, will you support families fleeing conflict by enabling them to buy food and lifesaving supplies? Our **Christmas Christian Aid Appeal** will be on **Sunday 1st December** when you will find **Christian Aid envelopes in the pews** for your donations but, as ever, you can also **donate directly into the church account** Ref: Christian Aid, (Account Name: New Kilpatrick Parish Church, Sort code: 80-05-57, Account number: 00701598), or hand your donation into the church office. Any donations at coffee, following the service, will be for Christian Aid too and there will be some home baking to enjoy. Can I thank you in advance for your continued support and generosity.

# Postcards

**If you're heading off on holiday, please send the congregation a postcard. Just send it to the office or the Manse and we'll read it out and hang it up.** Tell us where you are, what the weather is like and what your last meal was. We promise we will not be jealous despite the current icy weather in Bearsden.

# The Diary

## Thursday 21 November

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall

**Bible for Duffers** 7.30pm in the hall

## Friday 22 November

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

## Saturday 23 November

**Guild Christmas Coffee Morning and Craft Fair** 10am-12noon. Hall

## Sunday 24 November

**Morning worship** 10.30am

**Add to Hymnlist** at 6.30pm in the hall. Hymns from the new supplement.

**NK Youth Club 7.15-8.45pm, hall.**

## Monday 25 November

**NK Country Dance Group** 7.30pm in the hall

## Tuesday 26 November

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

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

**NK Book Group** 7.30pm in the hall.

**Faith Team** 7.30pm, hall walkround.

## Wednesday 27 November

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

**Midweek Service** 11am in the hall.

## Thursday 28 November

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

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall.

**NK Heritage Forum** 7.30pm in the hall.

## Friday 29 November

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

## Sunday 1 December

**Morning Worship** 10.30am

**Advent Carol Service at All Saints** 5pm.

**NK Youth Club 7.15-8.45pm, hall.**

## Monday 2 December

**Outreach Workshop** 10am-12noon Walkround

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

**NK Country Dance Group** 7.30pm in hall.

## Tuesday 3 December

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

**The Guild** 2pm in the hall.

The Work of the City Mission. Jack Geddes.

**Bible for Duffers** 7.30pm in the hall.

## Wednesday 4 December

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

**Midweek Service** 11am in the hall,

## Thursday 5 December

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

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall

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