

# New Kilpatrick Bulletin 20 March 2025

## NK Ramblers 1000<sup>th</sup> Walk

The Ramblers' 1000<sup>th</sup> Walk takes place this Saturday, 22 March. It will be a moderately easy 5-6 mile walk through the Blane Valley, along The Old Railway Line to Arlehaven, returning along the West Highland Way.

After the walk, there will be a celebratory Tea at Tannoch.

If you wish to join the walkers, the leader's contact details and arrangements for the day are on the poster in the church hall walkround.



## Guild Spring Fair

Come and enjoy a cup of coffee/tea with home baking and craft stalls.

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2025

10 am - 12 noon

Adult: £3. Children: 50p



## Christian Aid Thank You

This is just a wee update for the congregation regarding the amount raised for Christian Aid at Harvest and Christmas 2024.

Apologies that it is a touch belated!

Harvest: Total £1083.75

Christmas: Total £2343.37

Yet again, you have been hugely generous so can I and the rest of the Christian committee thank you for that. Your continued support for Christian Aid means that it can make further steps to achieve its goal to "create a world where everyone can lead a full life, free from poverty".

The part you play in this is very much appreciated.

Shirley Hamilton

## Thinking Allowed

This series of talks is now being held jointly between Cairns Church, Milngavie, and New Kilpatrick Parish Church.

The next presentation will be held in **New Kilpatrick** next Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March with a reception from 7.30pm before the presentation at 8pm.

The topic for the evening is the newly edited book "**Scottish Religious Poetry From the sixth century to the present**"

**All three editors will attend.**

**Linden Bicket** is Lecturer in Literature and Religion at the University of Edinburgh and is the author of *George Mackay Brown and the Scottish Catholic Imagination*.

**Emma Dymock** teaches classes in Celtic and Scottish studies at the University of Edinburgh. Her specialist area of interest is modern Gaelic poetry and she co-edited *Caoir Gheal Leumraich/White Leaping Flame: Sorley MacLean Collected Poems*.

**Alison Jack** is Professor of Bible and Literature at the University of Edinburgh and Principal of New College. She is a Church of Scotland minister and Creative Director of the New College Festival of Books and Belief. She is the author of *The Prodigal Son in English and American Literature: Five Hundred Years of Literary Homecomings*.

From the Editors' Introduction:

'... our volume will reflect a generosity of spirit in finding the religious in a poem, but it also involves a sensitivity, even a bias towards, those poems which respond to the revealed, given, handed-down aspects of theological thinking and belief.'

## Maryhill Ruchill Church

Can you help?

Maryhill Ruchill Church is looking for **toastie makers, friendly faces, soup makers, floor sweepers, chatterboxes & people with a heart for loving people.**

If you are able to make a commitment **from 9.30am-1pm on a Friday**, either regularly or as part of a rota, **or commit to cooking during the week and delivering for Friday activities**, drop an email to [maryhillruchill@gmail.com](mailto:maryhillruchill@gmail.com), or pop into The Mackintosh Halls, Shakespeare Street, Maryhill, on a Friday morning.

## NK Book Club

The next meeting is on Tuesday 25 March at 7.30pm in the hall. All welcome.

The book to be discussed is "Still Life" by Sarah Winman.

**Lent Booklet** Lent is a space where we can pause within some of the values that we still have. To help that, we are offering **a wee booklet of prayers and readings and activities for each week in Lent**. These can be used daily, repeating that week's prayer and reading so that we might hear different things the longer we sit with it. **The booklets are available to pick up** from the church, hall, or office. The halls are open Mon-Fri, 9am-2pm.

## St Gregory's Food Bank

**Easter is a time of hope, renewal and new life.** Let's bring some joy this Easter to the needy in our community – and what better time to do this than Lent. In order to express our love and concern, we plan to give **EASTER EGGS** (not large) along with much needed food or monetary donations. Please help us in this way, and we'd be grateful if any Easter eggs could be given **by Palm Sunday (13th April)**. All the usual non-perishable food items are most welcome, as well as baby essentials.

The Hall is open Monday to Friday (9 a.m. - 2.30 p.m.) and Sunday morning.

## Milk Bottle Tops for Bearsden & Milngavie Macular Support Group

BRING YOUR MILK BOTTLE TOPS TO CHURCH and put them in the box provided in the hall walkround. The Bearsden & Milngavie Macular Support Group will then send them on to Pathfinder Dogs, who in turn are able to sell them to a factory who make useful objects from them.

Please note, **ONLY MILK BOTTLE TOPS ARE ELIGIBLE**. No other plastic tops please.

## Thought for the Week

**"The belief in a supernatural source of evil is not necessary; men alone are quite capable of every wickedness"**

Joseph Conrad (born Józef Teodor Konrad Korzeniowski in Poland) (1857 - 1924), novelist and writer.

## 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 and add to the friendly atmosphere. With the rota, you'd only be on duty every eight weeks. If you'd like to help, please contact the church office (0141 942 8827, [mail@nkchurch.org.uk](mailto:mail@nkchurch.org.uk)).

## Magazines

Glasgow City Mission's latest **Connect** Booklet and The Scottish Bible Society's magazine **Transform** are both available to pick up in the hall walkround.

## Clocks go forward

**Don't forget to put your clocks forward for British Summer Time at 1am on Sunday 30 March (not this weekend but next weekend) - so you won't be late for church!**

DON'T FORGET  
TO  SET  
**(LOCKS FORWARD!)**

# Holy Week

Each day of Holy Week, from Monday 14th April to Friday 18th April, we offer a space for reflection and journeying through the lengthening shadows.

Each day at 11am, a 20-30-minute service will take place in the church: words and music that shape the story and offer us a moment to pause within the story, look around us, feel the emotion and feel what is happening.

Visually and audibly, we travel together with the invitation to wait in that space once the words have run out each day. A time to pause with our own questions and emotions and thoughts as part of this huge story.

On the evening of **Maundy Thursday (17th)** we gather in the **Cross church** and share communion at 7.30pm, and then on **Good Friday** we find ourselves back here in **New Kilpatrick** at the same time for our Good Friday service.

Saturday is empty as that Saturday always is - there is nothing left to say - and then we dare **return on Easter Day for breakfast** and gather as a community because, surely not, impossible, but we've heard a rumour...

## The Diary

### Thursday 20 March

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall

**Business Committee meeting** 7.30pm, hall

### Friday 21 March

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

### Sunday 23 March

**Morning Worship for Lent** 10.30am.

**Add to Hymnlist** 6.30pm in the hall.

**NK Youth Club 7.15-8.45pm. P7-S2.**

### Monday 24 March

**NK Country Dance Club** 7.30pm in the hall.

### Tuesday 25 March

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

**The Guild** 2pm, hall. The Galapagos Islands with Alistair Burrow.

**Thinking Allowed** 7.30pm for 8pm in the hall. "Scottish Religious Poetry from the Sixth Century to the Present". A glass of wine or soft drink will be served from 7.30pm.

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

### Wednesday 26 March

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

**Midweek Service** 11am in the hall

### Thursday 27 March

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

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall.

**NK Heritage Forum** 7.30pm in the hall. Open to all with an interest in the history of the parish.

### Friday 28 March

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

### Saturday 29 March

Guild Coffee Morning 10am

### Sunday 30 March

**Morning Worship for Lent** 10.30am

**Taizé Service** 6.30pm in the hall

**NK Youth Club** 7.15pm in the hall

### Monday 31 March:

**NK Country Dance Club** 7.30pm in the hall.

### Tuesday 1 April:

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

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

**Bible for Duffers** 7.30pm, hall.  
Mark 14: 32-42.

### Wednesday 2 April:

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

**Midweek Service** 11am in the hall

### Thursday 3 April:

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

**Daybreak** 1.30pm in the hall.