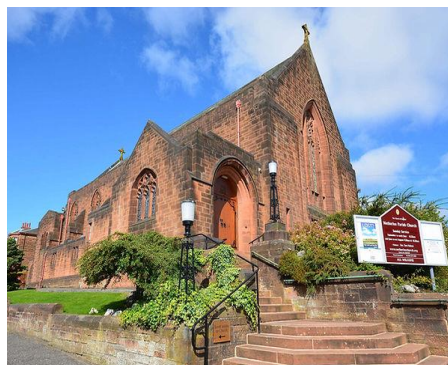


NETHERLEE AND STAMPERLAND PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER



SUMMER 2023 EDITION

From the Editor

Welcome to my first attempt at editing the newsletter! Please let me know if there is anything you think I could be doing better. A huge thank you to Diane for her handover; I hope you have many happy years in your new home. My sincere thanks also to Elspeth for working with me to schedule the newsletters and for getting them out to everyone. This will most definitely be a team effort!

As July is a quiet month in church life, this summer edition covers both June and July. The deadline for the August issue will be **Tuesday 8th August**. Articles (and pictures in .jpg format) can be submitted at any time to the mailbox nandsnewsletter@btinternet.com. I look forward to hearing from you.

Karen McQueen

Summer Services

The Sunday morning services over the summer will be at 10.30 a.m. as usual.

With Thanks

I wish to express my thanks and good wishes to all those good folk who sent their love and kind thoughts to me around my recent birthday. In cricketing parlance, 90 not out is a tip-top score in a game which I enjoyed all my life. There is not a flat surface in our living room which is not covered in cards. This makes me most happy to realise just what friendly folk surround me and my family every day! I look forward to taking more active participation in church events soon. Meantime, may our good Lord shower you with his blessings.

Alan Edgar



I have started publishing a 'wish list' on the Church screen on a Sunday morning and Elspeth at the Church Office is also sending it to the congregation by e-mail. Unfortunately, the Foodbank Coordinator is on leave at the moment, and therefore I cannot update the list. Staff at the Foodbank are very grateful for the donations both of goods and of money as they appear to be getting busier all the time. More strain is put on their resources at this time of year with the school holidays now upon us with parents having to feed their children at lunchtime as well. (continued)

Tinned sausages, diluting juice and any type of tinned pulses are always welcome, and I will update the 'wish list' as soon as possible.

Marjorie Lang



The Christian Aid Team would like to thank everyone who supported them in any way during Christian Aid Week whether by attending the brunch, or coffee afternoon or being one of the five collectors who did house to house collections in their own neighbourhood (more volunteers next year please!) Netherlee and Stamperland raised £2,132.66 for the Week's campaign which was a great achievement. Clarkston Churches Together have been able to send Christian Aid £5,500 from the art show and £4,400 from Christian Aid Week itself. Well done to all involved.

Christian Aid Team

Cranhill Development Trust

The nearly new shop at Cranhill Development Trust continues to fill a need for some of the folks in that area of Glasgow. Donations of nearly new clothes and bric-à-brac have been passed on from lots of kind people in and around our Church for some time. This is very much appreciated. However, the shop is now closed for the school holidays and as a result, items cannot be accepted at this time. If you have any items to donate, could you please, if possible, hang on to them meantime. Notification of when donations can be accepted will be given in due course. Again, many, many thanks to everyone and enjoy your summer.

Gordon Lang

Sunday Club

We have been very creative in Sunday Club recently. For Pentecost the kids created a wonderful poster for our information board outside the Church as well as some bunting for inside the Welcome Hall. As well as our welcome poster we hope that are enjoying seeing what the children make.



One week we made cupcakes as we learned that Jesus promises to be with us always and for Father's Day our lucky Dads not only received a cool card, but a gift confirming that Dads rock!! We have been delighted to welcome new member Lucy to Sunday Club and hope that she has enjoyed making new friends and having fun together. We are finished meeting now for the summer but are looking forward to welcoming back old friends and new from the beginning of September. If you have any questions, please contact the Church Office, or just meet us in the Welcome Hall before the service on **Sunday 3rd of September.**

Elaine Murray



90kg Rice Challenge

In September we will be thinking about Harvest. This year the Kirk Session has agreed to the congregation participating in the **90kg. rice challenge**. Why 90kg? This is the amount of rice a farmer in Malawi needs to sell in order to support their family and to pay for one child to have a year of secondary education. This is one way of supporting sustainable fairtrade farming and providing the opportunity for a young person to look to the future. After all, our young people have full secondary education as a right. The rice is very tasty and is available in both white and brown at £4.00 a kilo bag. The rice will go on sale from **3rd September**. Please help us meet our target.

Sheena Wurthmann

And Finally ...

When Harlequin Youth Theatre attended the Forum in February, one of the questions asked was how can people find out about the next show? So, as well as putting up flyers in the Welcome Hall, I hope you don't mind if I include the show details from time to time in this newsletter.



Village Theatre East Kilbride (tickets available from the box office)

Wednesday 11th to Saturday 14th October 2023

Our Seniors (S4 to 21 years) in **Legally Blonde the musical**.

Karen McQueen

Membership Secretary Harlequin Youth Theatre

