

# **CARNTYNE and CRANHILL PARISH NEWS**



**December 2023**



## **KIRK SESSION NEWS**

At the time of writing we are planning for our Christmas Fayre on 25<sup>th</sup> November. It is so hard to believe that we are at that time of year already.

“Time flies when you are enjoying yourself”

I know a lot of people will be involved in the setting up, working on the day and donating to the stalls and we are very grateful to each and every one.

This is our main fundraiser of the year and I do hope we will have made a lot of money.

### **Locum**

We were lucky to have had Eddie leading us in worship for just over 6 months and we were grateful to him for all he did for us, and wish him every blessing in whatever Gods plans are for him in the future.

By the time the newsletter is printed we will have had a couple of different preachers covering the Sunday services. On 26<sup>th</sup> November we have Rev.Ian Reid coming

and are pleased that he will be with us during December and January. I am sure the congregation will make him feel very welcome.

### **Vacancy**

The Nominating Committee have been and still are looking for our new minister.

Unfortunately, although we have interviewed, the committee have not felt that the right person has been found yet, and will continue the work until we are sure the person is right for our church.

Please be patient and continue to pray for our situation.

### **Thank you**

Please forgive me for using the magazine to say my thanks to everyone who stepped in to do various tasks around the church while I was off for 6 weeks. I am grateful to everyone who phoned, visited and sent cards during that time.

On behalf of the Kirk Session we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

May Fawns  
Session Clerk

# **DONATIONS**

## **Organisation Donations**

We are coming up to the time when our Organisations give their annual donation to help with heat and light costs over the year. These are a great help especially with costs so high, so if you could please make sure they are in by 31st December it would be appreciated.

## **Church Christmas Donations**

As in previous years we are encouraging everyone to give an additional donation of whatever they can as a present to our Church for Christmas. These can be placed in the offering baskets any Sunday in an envelope marked 'Christmas Gift' and those of you with offering envelopes can use the spare included in your pack.

# **ORGANISATIONS**

## **Ladies Club**

The Ladies Club is increasing in numbers. Please come along and enjoy a game of bowls, darts, line dancing or dominoes. We also enjoy a chat over tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits.

Our Christmas night out is to Avant Garde in town. After a lovely meal we can relax and enjoy the band or join in the dancing.

We wish everyone a peaceful and happy Christmas

Margaret Kelly  
Secretary

## **ACTIVITIES and SUPPORT for OLDER PEOPLE**

These are our regular activities in and around the hall:

The **Wednesday Walking Group** continues with gentle exercise and chat. We meet outside the church gate at 11am.

**Community Cafe** is on Thursdays from 9.30-12.30. Drinks, food and company. Speak to an advisor from the Parkhead Citizen's Advice between 10.30 and 12noon.

**Film Club** is on Thursdays at 1pm and is in the large hall. We project the film onto the wall beside the kitchen and serve tea and coffee at the break.

**Lunch Club** (12noon) and **Ageing Well** (1pm), both on Friday.

Our regular Zoom groups continue: **Coffeetime Chat** on Tuesday and a short **Prayer Service** on Wednesday.



I can also help you access Zoom on a computer or tablet.

The Zoom links are detailed below:  
Coffeetime Zoom on Tuesdays at 10am  
Meeting ID: 865 5388 2010

Wednesday Space at 10am  
Meeting ID: 884 4248 5052

If you would like to know more or would like help accessing any of the above groups, phone number is 07734 007260 My email is: [amacdonald-haak@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:amacdonald-haak@churchofscotland.org.uk)

With my best wishes,

Aileen

# **PAMS PAGES**

## **September/ October 2023**

The last two months I watched the seasons changing. Neighbour's houses disappeared behind eight to ten feet high curtains of green maize and millet, but now the maize has been cut, dried, and stored. The millet is brown and the seed heads turning feathery red or cream. The rice fields are bright green awaiting the harvesters. The rains started late and the war in Ukraine sent the price of fertilizer beyond reach of local farmers.

The churches prayed, and the rains came, slow, steady, and long. The farmers ploughed the softened land with bullocks and planted by hand, and God gave the increase. Praise God, we have a good harvest!

God gave the increase in our house. Both dogs were supposedly spayed, but in mid-September, Jubilee produced four puppies, and four days later Nikki had three more. All

have done well and will soon find good homes among our friends.

There has been multiplication in the children's ministry trainings too. Mme Angela Adumpo invited me to help with her first training session in Builsa South.

Twenty-eight children's leaders and several pastors attended the half-day event with more planned for the future. The team from North Builsa are beginning to plan for the dry season; a vision casting event in Kadama and three, three-day residential trainings and one in Chiana.

Give thanks to the Lord of the Harvest for food for the people in Sandema this year, Give thanks for Mme Angela and the growth of Children's Ministry in Bulisa South, Please pray for the Dry Season events in Kadama, Wiaga, Kalijisa and Chiana.

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Pam Boothman

# **WHATS ON AT CARNTYNE and CRANHILL PARISH**

## **For Young People**

<b>Sunday</b>	11:00 am	Explorers
<b>Monday</b>	9:30 am	Tiny Tots
	6:30 pm	Anchor Boys
	7:00 pm	Junior Section BB
	7:30 pm	Company Sect BB
<b>Tuesday</b>		<u>Girls' Brigade</u>
	6.15 pm	Explorers
	7.15 pm	Juniors /Brigaders
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30 am	Tiny Tots
	5:45 pm	Rainbows
	6:00 pm	Brownies
	7:15 pm	Guides & Rangers
<b>Thursday</b>	9:30 am	Tiny Tots

## For Adults

<b>Sunday</b>	7:00 pm	Narcotics
<b>Monday</b>	1:00 pm	Sunshine Club
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 am 2:00 pm 7:00 pm	Zoom Coffee Time Growing Together Ladies Club
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 am 11:00 am 12:30 pm 7:00 pm	Zoom Prayers Health Walk AA Men's Club
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30 am 1:00 pm 7.00 pm 7.45 pm	Community Cafe Film Club Choir Practice AA
<b>Friday</b>	8:00 am 9.30 am 12:00 pm 1:00 pm	Slimming World Slimming World Lunch Club Young at Heart

**WORSHIP AT CARNTYNE and  
CRANHILL PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday**

**11am Morning Worship; with  
Explorers**



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