

## **Intimations:**

**The minister** can be contacted on 0131 334 1324.

**Intimations** should be with the Church Office by Thursday morning for Sunday's Order of Service. Thank you. [office@st-ninians.co.uk](mailto:office@st-ninians.co.uk)

## **PRESBYTERY PLAN CONSULTATION UPDATE - NEW UPDATE**

Over the summer St. Ninian's Session Clerk Team and office bearers have been meeting with representatives from St. Andrew's Clermiston and St. Anne's to discuss the Presbytery of Edinburgh and West Lothian's *Presbytery Plan Consultation* on behalf of St. Ninian's Kirk Session, Deacons' Court and congregation.

The discussions have gone well and have focused on whether the three congregations could work together at some point in the future as a single charge with a single mission purpose.

The next stage in these discussions is to involve the Presbytery of Edinburgh and West Lothian, and then in the coming weeks to update the congregations' respective Kirk Sessions.

Following that the congregations as a whole will be updated on the Presbytery's plan for the future of the Church of Scotland in the Corstorphine neighbourhood.

For elders there are two upcoming Kirk Session meetings: Sunday, 21st August 10:00, and Sunday 28th August 12:00 noon.

**Thank you to everyone who contributed** to a wedding gift for Shahrukh and Essi. We helped to start their married life together with a gift of £630.

**Sale of Fresh Jam** this morning in the Crush Hall.

**Please remember the Care Van Team** in your prayers when they go out on Tuesday evening.

**Life & Work** is available on the table at the west door.

### **Summer Buffet Lunch**

On Sunday 21st August after morning worship we are holding a Congregational Buffet Lunch. This is being held to give everyone an opportunity to come together to share food and fellowship. If you would like to come along tickets will be available from members of the Mission Committee after today's service. This will enable us to know numbers for catering. There is to be no charge or donation required for attending.

## **Church Car Service**

We are hoping to restart the regular Church car service on Sunday mornings shortly, however we do need a few more drivers to help with this service. If you feel able to offer a lift to less able members once every 4 to 6 weeks, or have any questions, please let either, Andrew Job (0131-339-6723, andrewjjob@gmail.com) or Andrew Gibb (0131-339-1688, atfg39@hotmail.com) know.

## **Church Car Service**

We are hoping to offer a Church Car Service for transport to Church on Sundays, if you would like to use this service please contact either Andrew Job (0131-339-6723, andrewjjob@gmail.com), Andrew Gibb (0131-339-1688, atfg39@hotmail.com) or the Church Office to make arrangements.



## **St Ninian's Christmas Fair Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

Tombola: we are looking for good quality items plus unused toiletries.

Please leave in a bag marked Fair in the Crush Hall.  
Thank you.

## **Support for Ukrainians:**



Thanks to your wonderful generosity a fantastic amount of toiletries has been moved on to be distributed wherever there is a need. Some extra clothes, knitted jumpers, large Lego blocks, dolls, scooters and small trikes are on their way to help as well. Many, many thanks. There will always be a need for toothpaste, soap or the kind of things that we use every day. The red box will remain in the porch and you are welcome to put something in it.



The following **Garden Open Day** has been volunteered, from 2pm to 5pm:

Today 7 August – 16 Wester Broom Avenue

Entrance charge of £2 per garden.

If anyone wishes to volunteer to open a garden, this would be welcome and it would be supported and advertised. Please contact Ian Kirkpatrick on 334 5951.

### **Update on Covid restrictions**

We are no longer required *by law* to wear masks in Church but if you feel comfortable doing so then please continue.

Please remain aware of those around you. Test & Protect registration is discontinued. Entrance & Exit to and from the church is via any door.

Hand sanitiser will continue to be available.

Alternate pews will still be used but there will be no restriction on the number of people using the 'open pews'.

Members of the congregation are still asked to respect social distancing especially when moving around the sanctuary.

Offering boxes will remain instead of returning to the pew collection.

Stewards will continue to manage the welcome to the church. On exit Stewards will be at the front, east and west doors.

The restrictions we are currently using will remain in place for now.

Any questions on the updated guidance, contact the church office.

**This morning we are streaming our service live.**

After the service this recording will be available on our YouTube channel.

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