

# Williamwood Parish Church Newsletter

April 2025

Dear Friends,

Easter is a time of hope, renewal, and victory. As we gather to celebrate the risen Christ, we are reminded that even in our darkest moments, God is at work, bringing life out of death and light out of darkness. The resurrection of Jesus assures us that no situation is beyond God's power to transform. Whatever burdens we carry—grief, doubt, uncertainty—Easter proclaims that God's love is greater, His grace is sufficient, and His promises are true. The empty tomb is not just a historical event; it is an eternal declaration that God is with us and for us. As we step forward in faith, may this Easter fill you with renewed strength and joy. May the peace of the risen Christ rest upon your hearts and homes, and may His victory inspire us to live as people of hope, sharing His love with the world. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

With every blessing,  
Paul Read



This year we are having a joint Maundy Thursday Service with Broom Parish Church  
At Broom Parish Church on 17<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm.

The Rev Jim Boag will take this service.

If anyone requires a lift to Broom Church, please contact Margaret Robertson

On Good Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm there will be a joint service hosted by  
Williamwood Church, with refreshments after the service.

Our Interim Moderator Rev Aquila Singh will take this service.

On Easter Morning, Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 8am, there will be a short outdoor service at  
Greenbank Gardens



with Easter breakfast at Cathcart Castle Golf Club at approx. 8.45am  
Followed by the 11am service at Williamwood Church.



Rev Paul Read will take this service.



### **Book of Remembrance**

If anyone would like the name of a loved one written in the Book of Remembrance, in the Iona Chapel, please see Sheila McDonald or contact her on 571 8849 and she will be happy to do this for you.

The next get-together at **Rouken Glen Garden Centre** will be on **Tuesday 1st April at 10.30 am.**

All welcome.

Come along for an hour or so of fellowship and chat.



**The Guild** finished its winter session at the end of March and would like to thank everyone from the congregation who came to hear any of our speakers which were of interest to them.

We had an extremely enjoyable afternoon on Monday 17th March when Anna Magnusson and Joyce Deans spoke to us about an Evacuee's Story. Several members of our own congregation joined us together with several members from Broom Church and other friends. We had the highest numbers attending all session, we were delighted.

As previously intimated we have arranged another **Guild Afternoon Tea** at the: **Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice at Bellahouston Park.**

The date is **Monday 19 th May**, from **3pm to 4.30pm** and the cost is **£22.00** which includes a donation per head to the Hospice. As is customary we would ask for a deposit of £5.00 when putting your name down. We are hoping that members from the congregation and friends will join us. If you have any special dietary requirements, please let me know.

We are planning to go by cars so if you can assist by taking passengers that would be very helpful.

We will be having our main fund-raising coffee afternoon in the large hall at Williamwood Church during the summer months. Further details will be advised in the May newsletter.

The ladies of the Guild wish everyone a Blessed Easter.

**The Cubs** have recently planted up some large pots with a mixture of hardy spring plants and have placed these around the church/session room entrance door on Vardar Avenue.

The Cubs have completed this as part of a few different badges where they needed to complete a community project. One of these is our Thistle Award. Another is part of our Environmental Conservation badge and our World Challenge badge specifically asks that we make a difference to the local community. It also gives us the opportunity to give back to the church who have been so welcoming to us since we moved from Stamperland a few years ago.



## FLOWER CALENDAR



**A big thank you** to those listed below who are providing the flowers in the Church over the next two months. They are greatly appreciated by those in the Church and those who receive them after the service on Sunday.

If you would like to donate flowers for the chancel, please contact Jean Little or add your name to the calendar at the Church vestibule

If you know of anyone who you think would appreciate Church flowers please speak to Jean Little.

### **April**

6th Jean Reid  
13th Irene Russell  
20th Murdoch Hodge  
27th Lynne Mitchell

### **May**

4th  
11th Eleanor McKenzie  
18th Isobel Pitkethly  
25th



**Spring is just around the corner** and it has come again to the time to gather the gardening group together.

Alternative Tuesday evenings from 7pm seem to suit everyone so I think we should just stick to that.

It's still a bit too early for Tuesday evenings but I hope that we can have a daytime tidy

up before Easter, and I will e-mail everyone with possible dates  
Weather permitting it would be nice to start on **Tuesday 20th of May**, and after that the following dates –

- 3rd and 17th of June
- 1st, 15th and 29th of July
- 12th and 26th of August
- 9th and 23rd of September

We are always looking for extra people to join our small gardening group and the more hands we have the easier the task is. We are normally there for an hour or so if you can help out, please just come along or contact Joan Black.





### **GOALIES**

Gentlemen Only at Lunch in Eastwood [GOALIES] meets regularly on the first Friday of the month at Williamwood Golf Club. This is an opportunity for men to get together for lunch, have time to chat, and to share fellowship.

The next meeting will be on:

### **Friday 4th April at 1pm in the Williamwood Golf Clubhouse.**

It is essential that if you plan to come to let me know by the Wednesday before so that I can let the staff at the Club know how many will be present, as they prepare a table for us.

You can contact me on my phone number or tick your name off or add your name to the list the preceding Sunday in church. Anyone requiring transport should also contact me.

All are very welcome!

Alastair Cherry    Mobile 07483 221141.

**The Next Newsletter is due on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Any articles for this should be with Evelyn Wallace by Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup>.**

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