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***Songs of Praise Team***





**FROM THE MANSE.....**

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*Dear Friends,*

**The Lord is risen  
He is risen indeed  
Alleluia!**

A very happy Easter to you all

This is the most joyous season of the Christian year and the affirmation that Jesus is risen: the Christ of God, bringing the possibility of new, eternal life to all humankind is the very heart and foundation of our faith.

It was good to celebrate Easter just a few days ago when quite a large group met in the early morning sunshine in Greenbank Garden among the trees laden with blossom and flowers springing into new life and beauty around us. After a very tasty Easter breakfast in Cathcart Castle Golf Club, we continued our Easter celebration in the Church building.

It was good to see such a big congregation, regular worshippers joined by visiting family and friends as well as folks from our parish and round about who were joining us perhaps for the first time.

For me there was also a strong sense of the connection we continue to have with those saints: our dear ones, who have been part of our community of faith and now, departed life on earth, live the eternal life of heaven – still part of the community of faith.

We remember sisters and brothers who have served the Church diligently and faithfully and who have died in recent days and weeks, as well as those who have died longer ago. And we pray the comfort of God's presence for all who mourn.

People will often say after a bereavement or some sort of significant change: '*Life goes on*'.

Of course, this is exactly what our Christian faith declares. Life goes on – for life never ends. Through Christ our Lord, raised to new life at Easter, we are assured that the never-ending love of God keeps us in life eternally, though the form that life takes beyond our death here is yet to be revealed to us.

*Life goes on in the church too.*

Our Williamwood Showcase event gives us all an opportunity to see and to celebrate all the aspects of our congregational life at Williamwood. But things will only go on – and new things can only be begun – if you come forward and play your part in these. I'm conscious that there are a number of people who do a lot in our congregation: *pillars of the Kirk*, as they might once have been described, but pillars can only take so much of the weight of tasks and responsibility.

In his first letter probably to Church communities throughout Asia Minor in the second half of the first century AD, Peter describes people who are part of the Church not as pillars but as stones. We are all *living stones*: each with a part to play in building up the Church and proclaiming the gospel message to the world around. There are many more people in our congregation who have gifts that they could use, even in a small way, to contribute to the life of the Church and to take some of the weight off the pillars! How could **you** be a living stone in our church community today?

*Life goes on – and life changes.*

Before very long our Church of Scotland will be meeting in General Assembly (you can follow the proceedings of the Assembly from 18<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> May on the Church of Scotland website).

There are two very important reports coming to the General Assembly this year: the so-called 'Radical Action Plan' for which the Assembly called at its last meeting and the report of a Special Commission set up to recommend structural reforms in the Church. Together these have the potential to change the shape of our church and the way it conducts its business and mission very radically indeed.

These reports come against a background of diminishing numbers of full-time Ministers of Word and Sacrament and increasing numbers of buildings that are far from full on a Sunday (or any other day) and may be in need of considerable investment to maintain or reach a satisfactory standard.

One suggestion is that a 'growth fund' is established with several million pounds going into it. Congregations would be able to apply to this to fund the ministry and mission they want to carry out with successful congregations likely to be ones where the whole people are involved in the work of the Church in some way and where they are doing new things to connect with communities and with the under 40 age group in particular. Congregations are unlikely to be successful in securing funding – and perhaps even their future – if they simply want to maintain an increasingly unsustainable model of what being the Church looks like.

It's worth reflecting, even now, on what that might mean for our congregation of Williamwood and how we might change and develop to ensure that we continue to carry out the work of the church; the building of God's kingdom, in and from this place.

In the approaching summer time, we enter a new phase of our congregation's life and you'll see elsewhere details of some of the things that are taking place including our Summer Concert Series for Sunday evenings back by popular demand. Work in the garden and grounds and in the Church building continues and we are grateful to all who take part in this necessary work. I hope everyone will also have a chance to relax, refresh and enjoy the summer sunshine wherever you can find it! Maybe it will also be a time when you can reflect on whether communicant membership of the Church is for you right now – or whether there is some Church work you might become involved with in the new session in August/September.

In this spring-time and throughout the summer season may you know the fullness and joy of life that is the gift of Christ our Lord, risen at Easter and with us always, bringing life ever new.

God's blessing be upon you all,

*Jan*  
*(Parish Minister)*

## Lodging House Mission

As you read this we will have come through Lent and celebrated Easter again for another year. Many enjoyed the Clarkston Churches Together Lenten Study which was put together by Christian Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and explored 'The Mystery of God'. Regardless of whether you were able to participate or not Lent is a time for a period of reflection in our lives of faith. Some people traditionally gave up something for Lent but more recently there has been a trend for taking something up instead. Reflection and contemplation is a great thing to do but as James put it: "For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead." This does not, as some thought, contradict the concept of justification by faith alone but merely points out that a genuine faith will inevitably led to some form of action.

Williamwood has had a long tradition of supporting the Lodging House Mission and this is one example of where peoples faith has led to a practical application. We have received more regular updates recently since our Probationary Minister Fergus has been working there on a Wednesday doing general volunteering and offering a weekly Bible Study and Prayer Group. In addition we recently heard from Gus Smeaton, the manager at the LHM who gave us an update on the work that is done there. As a consequence of an appeal made at their Annual General Meeting Williamwood Church now has a band of 12 volunteers who have indicated their willingness to put their faith into action by helping to serve food on a Saturday once or twice a year. Numerous churches in Glasgow support the Mission in this way but many hands make light work. The existing rota is presently running up till the 24<sup>th</sup> August but we have been assured that Williamwood will be invited to help out as soon as the new rota is created. We look forward to our volunteers sharing their

experiences and allowing our existing relationship with the Mission to develop and grow.

Dear Williamwood Friends,

This is a strange time. It seems no time at all since I wrote an article introducing myself to you and yet, at the same time, it seems like I have been at Williamwood for ages. This is definitely due to the warmth and friendship that I have received since arriving as your Probationary Minister on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018.



Having recently had my Interim Review, I thought it might be appropriate to update you all on my progress to becoming an Ordained Minister and share some reflections. If all goes well, and with God's good grace, I am almost on the home straight. After beginning the process by attending a Vocations Conference in February 2014 the end is in sight. Although there is another Conference and an essay on Church Law to complete (training is such fun!) I am now scheduled to have my Final Review in August this year. As I said, all being well, I will then be allowed to apply for a role as a Full Time Minister of Word and Sacrament from 1<sup>st</sup> September. I am however still with you till 30<sup>th</sup> November giving me three months to find a position.

As you can imagine the decision on where to apply is a big one. Particularly so, as the role to which I believe I will be called may not yet be advertised, vacant or even created yet! How then will I attempt to discern where I am called? A number of Sunday's ago I explored with you the idea that all Christians are called by God. They may not be called to be ministers, or elders or any other specific position but we are all, I believe, called to live out our faith in different ways. Sometimes trying to decide or discern what that way is can be a problem.

When I was attempting to discern whether or not I was being called to try to become a minister I read an excellent article on the subject of discernment. It was written by the Rev Prof David Ferguson from New College in Edinburgh and appeared in Life and Work, the magazine of the Church of Scotland. In précis, when attempting to discern God's will for us, he suggest three things to examine and consider. Firstly he suggests looking to God through prayer and worship. We should do this regularly and actively listen to what is being said to us, as an individual, through sermons, prayers and scripture. Secondly, he suggests we consider looking inwards. What are we good at? Where do our interests lie? These things are generally things that we enjoy doing and it may well be that we are given a particular gift or talent because we are expected to use it for God. Thirdly, he suggests the counsel of others. Whilst this can be the opinions of family and friends it also includes a far wider circle and would even include a casual conversation with a stranger.

In all cases, we should try to be alert for what God is saying to us in any given situation. I know I shall be listening especially hard over the next six months as I attempt to find my next move.

***God bless, Fergus***

## **CHURCH ROLL UPDATE**

### **DEATHS:**

On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April, Shena Dougall

On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April, Catherine Hamilton

On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> of April, Elsa Reid

## **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 me or contact me on **571 8849** and I will be happy to do this for you.

Thank you

***Sheila McDonald***

## **PRAYER CIRCLE**

Keep Praying! ~~ Keep Praying! ~~ Keep Praying!



A reminder that the "Prayer Circle" is still active and praying for people and situations in need of prayer. If we have a prayer request it is phoned round the group so that praying can begin immediately. If you value the power of prayer and would like to accompany us on our prayer journey, or if you have a prayer request, speak to Lorna on 571 8821 or Anne on 644 4776 and get more information.

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God" Philippians Ch.4 v.6

*Lorna 571 8821*

*Anne 644 4776*

**Prayer Circle Co-ordinators**

## New Boilers

As you will be aware the new boilers and system upgrade was completed last year and we are now beginning to obtain benefits from both a comfort, control and financial perspective.

The overall cost to date has been £65,650 with a grant of £30,000 from East Renfrewshire Renewable Energy Fund assisting with meeting this necessary Capital Expenditure. While this cost has been met in full, from an accounting perspective, the Finance Committee have decided to leave the Boiler Fund in a deficit position of £27,965 and clear this over an extended period of time. Our annual budget allows for an element of reduction and the Finance Committee will explore other options to effect clearance.

While it is not the intention to have a specific campaign to raise funds should any members wish to contribute to help reduce this deficit please speak to Robert Coulter, Grant Keyes or any other member of the Finance Committee.

## Fairtrade News



A big thank you to everyone who supported the Fairtrade breakfast. After costs the profit from donations and the stall was £172.22. A great effort!!

We especially want to thank Scotmid and our local manager David for their support yet again. Scotmid donated £20 in vouchers which helped to offset the cost of the breakfast food.

We also sold lots of Easter cards and the profit from the card sales was in excess of £7.00.

See you all at the stall in May.

***The Fairtrade Team***



**Q. How did you make out in your first job?**

**A. I was a great success, the boss said I was absolutely superfluous.**



The children have been kept busy and engaged with Bible stories and various crafts and games from the Spill the Beans materials.

The Sunday School trip has been arranged for Sunday 26th May. We are going to Strathaven Park. The presentation of gifts to the children is also being held on Sunday 26th May before going off on our trip. We look forward to the children and their families being in attendance to

receive their gift as a thank you for coming to Sunday School. Our thanks also go to the parents for bringing their children to Church and the leaders, teachers and young helpers for their dedication in teaching our young people about Jesus.

If anyone would like to be involved in the Sunday School as a teacher then please speak to Maureen. You will be made very welcome.

***Maureen McCulloch***

***Superintendent (639 5939)***



Because I receive an e-copy of the Life and Work, at the time I was working on Inspire, I had already read the May issue.

As usual it has many interesting and sometimes quite humorous articles in it, but I was quite shocked to realize that it is the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Scottish Parliament this year. I cannot believe that it is as long as that and it made me look back and think of the changes that have happened in our world in these past years.

On reading through Life and Work I also realized that looking forward is almost more important and especially with the decisions and discussions that lie ahead for the annual General Assembly. Perhaps we will look back in another twenty years and discover many changes that started at this time. Who knows? It is just interesting to ponder, and reading Life and Work gives many opportunities to do just that.

If you would like to receive the magazine please contact Sheena McLean on 638 1686 or by e-mail at [ken.mclean@talktalk.net](mailto:ken.mclean@talktalk.net)

***Joan Black***



# **128<sup>th</sup> Glasgow Company**

## **The Boys' Brigade**

### **Company & Senior Sections**



Dear All,

As I type, we are into April, and the school holidays have made our normal meetings a bit of stop and start, but before the holidays it was all go.

I last reported in Inspire, that we were doing well in the Nationals, with teams reaching the advanced stages in the Badminton, Chess and Masterteam. In the Chess the boys were into the last four, one match away from the UK finals, but came up against one of last year's finalists from Cumbernauld and narrowly missed out on being Scotland's representatives. It would be a similar story in the Badminton, again one match away from a trip to Northern Ireland, ironically, we possibly travelled further / longer to play in our last match having been drawn away to Inverness. The four hour drive on a Friday afternoon (with the return home the same night) possibly took its toll on our boys as a poor start was the catalyst for a strong finish which saw a tie breaking set required to determine who would go forward to represent Scotland, sadly it would not be us. The Masterteam would make up for the disappointment, as we had reached the Scottish Final for the second year in a row. A top two finish was needed in order to be one of Scotland's representatives in the UK final. I'm delighted to say we sealed a place in the UK Final with a first place in the Scottish Final, making the 128<sup>th</sup> the SCOTTISH CHAMPIONS, the first time we have been able to say that! In the UK final, with teams from Glasgow, Gourrock (both Scotland), Guildford, Gateshead (both England), Newton Abbey and Granshaw (both Northern Ireland), our boys got off to a great start, sitting first after round two, then sitting in second place for a long time before a race to the finish saw the '128<sup>th</sup>' finish in fourth place. A great achievement to have reached the final, and the hosts Wishaw Battalion (no exciting trips to another country!)

With no District Sports (Athletics) this year, we were able to join Partick District at their sports in Scotstoun which had been opened up to the Battalion (Glasgow wide). Despite the event being outdoor, or maybe that was why the boys ran so well in their endeavours to keep warm!, we would amass enough medals and points on the night to be crowned the unofficial Battalion champions, beating all of the Partick Companies.

Our Primary Seven boys had been preparing for their 'Compass Challenge', a competition to test the boys on what they had been learning in Drill, BB Knowledge and Christian Faith, for the third year in a row, gold medals would be brought back to Williamwood, with the 'A' team, and a special mention for the 'B' team, despite only having two boys in their team (teams could consist of three boys), they managed to secure silver medals, so a great achievement by both teams!

This year's Queen's Badge candidates, Stewart Cheng, Ian McDonach, Matthew Sproat, and Lewis Young are coming to the end of their work for the badge, and should be awarded their badges in the very near future (possibly before this article reaches your hands).

We've booked a weekend at Dalguise, Perthshire in June, so that the boys who wanted to go to a summer camp are able to have an alternative option.

It's been another busy session for the Company and Senior Sections, and as we prepare for the Display and end of session, we can and will look at this being yet another great year for the boys of the Company 😊

*We are always keen to increase our numbers, so if you know of any boy (neighbour, son, grandson, nephew, friend, etc.,) who is/will be in Primary 7 or Secondary School after the summer, we'd be delighted to see him on a Friday night and a Sunday morning. Speak to myself, or please pass on one of our recruitment leaflets that are available in the Church.*

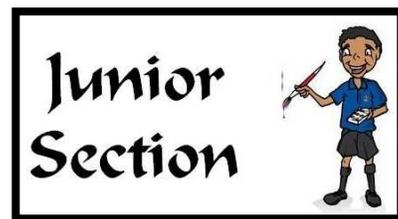
We look forward to, and are extremely grateful for, the continued support of the congregation in the work of the Boys' Brigade in Williamwood Church.

### **Mark Gordon**

Company Captain  
(Tel: 0141 585 4951)  
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## **THE BOYS' BRIGADE**

All of the boys have been working hard with their Achievements (Badge Work) over the past few months and between writing this article and the end of the session every boy should have gained the badges available to him. This will mean that our only Senior this year (Euan Scrimgeour) will have earned his Gold Badge, the highest award in the Junior Section. He will be presented with a Certificate from Cathkin District to mark his achievement.



A couple of months ago four of the boys took part in the Glasgow Battalion Swimming Gala at Castlemilk Baths and they all did well. Two of them did extremely well in winning medals in both of the Intermediate events (for Primary 5 boys) – Hamish Wyper won gold in both events and James Bryers won silver in one event and bronze in the other. Hamish and James then joined up with two boys from the 223<sup>rd</sup> Junior Section (Greenbank Church) and won the silver medal in the relay.

Back in March we had a pizza making night with Jean Simms and an Easter Crafts evening with Deborah Clark. The boys thoroughly enjoyed both of them. Thank you to Jean and Deborah.

In view of the small number of boys this year we are not having a Display but on our last night on 20 May will conclude the session with the annual awards presentation to the boys.

A few "thank you's" - I would like to thank the B.B. Captain, Mark Gordon, for all his help over the past year. Also Anne Hodge and Jean Simms, the elders responsible for the Junior Section as part of the Kirk Session's overseeing of the organisations.

I must also thank the staff for turning up faithfully on Monday nights and who do so well with the boys - Lynn McGhee, Jan Wilson and Donald Young.

The staff hope that every boy who has participated in any of the past session's activities enjoyed what he did and we wish to thank the parents for the help some of them gave us when required and also their support of the boys in various events. We are fortunate in this respect and the staff are appreciative of all the help that we get.

**Ross McGhee 638 4883**

**Officer-in-Charge, Junior Section**

**Doors Open will not operate  
during July and August  
and will re start on  
September 2nd.**



## 3<sup>rd</sup> WILLIAMWOOD BROWNIES



We are almost at the end of another session, as we always finish mid May. We can't believe where the time has gone- a sign of how busy we are each week!

Since Christmas we have been working on the 'Be Well' theme. We have looked at aspects of personal safety, keeping healthy minds and how to have good relationships with our peers. For our personal safety, amongst other things we looked at strategies to help us remember long telephone numbers, how to act safely near dogs and what to do if you were ever caught up in a fire. This led to a very enjoyable trip to the Williamwood Fire Station, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March, when the Green Watch gave us a very interesting and exciting guided tour. We had outdoor fun with water in April- thankfully we had good weather for it!

Our five most recent recruits made their Promise just before the Spring School Break and so now every girl is enrolled and able to take part in badge work. The Interest badge format is very different, with this new Girl guiding Programme, where each girl must prepare all their interest badge work at home and at a time suitable to them. Not all Brownies will wish to do this, it is completely up to the individuals, and we've found that the girls have been slow on the uptake with only 4 Brownies completing an interest badge before the Spring Break. In the past we have completed a couple of badges a year during our meetings but the new programmes dictates that they are completed at home with themed Skills Builders and Unit Meeting Activities for our evening meetings. Hopefully this won't see the demise of Brownie Interest Badges!

We've got an exciting last few weeks planned with a sports night at Rouken Glen and a BBQ at Greenbank Gardens for our last night (both of course weather permitting). We are hoping for a good turnout at the Church Annual Youth Parade!

Thank you to Kirsty and Lindsay for their commitment to helping at Brownies and to Kate who has recently joined us to help us run the unit!

Thanks also to all the Brownies and their families for their enthusiasm and continued support! We wish them all a relaxing and happy summer!

***Lorna, Fiona, Karen and Alison (the Owls)***

# THE GUILD



Our session ended on March 26th with our AGM followed by a great quiz, but before that we had some really interesting meetings. We heard about 'The Boys Brigade', which is one of our Projects. Unfortunately this meeting was poorly attended because of the snow.

We learnt about Church House and all that takes place there.

Jan gave us an interesting and entertaining talk on her trip to Nepal, along with a slide show.

In March, the subject was 'How to poison your spouse.' Dr. Ian Dale told us of many ways this had been achieved in the past in and around Glasgow.

Also in March two ladies told us about Hansel Village and again we had a slide show. It looked a lovely place and had a TEAROOM so perhaps we could pay them a visit later in the year.

The Mother and Toddler coffee morning was a great success. The mothers enjoyed the home baking and coffee while we looked after the toddlers.

We are all looking forward to our outing to Burns Cottage and Museum on 14th May - not forgetting the afternoon tea.

Finally, a date for your diary. Why not come and join us on 22nd June for a lovely afternoon/strawberry/tea? You will be made most welcome.



Thank you to everyone who supported in any way the Clarkston Committee's Art Exhibition and Sale in the Carmichael Hall back in March. There was the usual good turnout of Williamwood folk which contributed to its success. This year 89 paintings valued at £17,170 were sold (79/£14,010 last year). Christian Aid takes 1/3<sup>rd</sup> from the sale of each painting. Adding the income from the door, various stalls etc the overall amount raised was £7,405 (£6,853 last year). A great success!

This year's Christian Aid Week is from Sunday 12 to Saturday 18 May. Please read the note at the end of this article regarding this year's "house-to-house" collection.

This year's Clarkston Committee's Annual Sponsored Swim at Eastwood Baths has been provisionally arranged for Saturday 5 October. Further intimation will be made nearer the time.

Once Christian Aid Week is over another session's work will come to a close. Both of us would therefore like to thank Rev. Mathieson and Mr. Fergus Cook plus the members of the congregation who have supported any of the events we have had in the past nine months. We really do appreciate it. It has helped the Clarkston Committee raise the sums they have. These are well used by Christian Aid in the projects they support as well as responding to emergency situations which arise.

**Anne Clark 644 4776**

**Ross McGhee 638 4883**

**Christian Aid Representatives**

### **Christian Aid Week House-to-House Collection**

It's that time of year again when volunteers are required for the "house-to-house" collection. It is increasingly difficult to find people who are willing and able to take on this task, which is not surprising as it is nobody's favourite job. At Williamwood we have been fortunate in having people who, over the years, have faithfully collected for this worthwhile cause. The B.B. boys have always posted the envelopes through the doors and later the collectors have knocked on these doors hoping for donations. This has become problematic since "NO COLD CALLING" notices have appeared and now, because of legislation, we are not allowed to knock on these doors.

It has been suggested we give up house-to-house collecting but it does raise a lot of money (although not as much as it used to) which would be difficult to get from any other fund raising effort.

To try and make things easier this year it has been decided that collectors will also post the envelopes into every door in the area they are covering but the following note will be posted with the envelope into the doors displaying a "no cold calling" notice:-

"Due to the fact that you are displaying a "no cold calling" notice we are unable to call back. Christian Aid works with people living in poverty regardless of religion, race or gender and funds projects that help people whatever their beliefs. If you wish to donate please send directly to the address on the envelope or drop your envelope off at Williamwood Church."

The collectors will then only need to return to the houses not displaying a notice. Hopefully this will reduce the pressure on the collectors. We will review the situation when we hear from the collectors and count the donations.

As you know there are some very steep areas in our parish which require those who are fit, able and perhaps own a pick axe and crampons! Think of it as a work out!

If you were at Church on Sunday 7 April you will have heard Val Brown's inspiring talk about the work of Christian Aid and the difference that is being made in the lives of the poor in many countries across the world. We can be (and have been) part of these changes.

Anyone who is up for the challenge should give their name to Anne Clark (644 4776) or Ross McGhee (638 4883).

Thank you to all who have been part of the team for many years. Your faithfulness has been noted by God and has benefitted others in ways we may never know.

***Anne & Ross***

## **GOOD NEIGHBOURS**

If you live within the parish please don't forget that Margaret Munn and I carry out a welcome visit to all new neighbours to our parish.

Please remember to keep letting me know of any newcomers by contacting me by phone on **0141 638 5433** or by e-mail at **blacksabode@googlemail.com**



***Walter Black***



**What does procrastinate mean? A. I'll tell you later.**



## April Showers Bring May Flowers

### CHURCH FLOWERS

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

#### May

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alistair Denholm	638 2939
12 <sup>th</sup>	Eleanor McKenzie	577 5926
19 <sup>th</sup>	Isobel Pitkethley	638 0974
26 <sup>th</sup>	Carole Fergusson	571 8481

#### June

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tony Drysdale	638 0438
9 <sup>th</sup>	Anon	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Pat Cluness	562 1997
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Janice De Fence	
30 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret McIntyre	563 8657

#### July

7 <sup>th</sup>	Jim and Elizabeth Purvis	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Hugh and Renie McGhee	
21 <sup>st</sup>	Printing Group (Christine Martin)	638 4984
28 <sup>th</sup>		



**Hey! Williamwood congregation please hear my plea,  
 Having more volunteer drivers would fill me with glee.  
 Each week I struggle to manage the rota,  
 As alas, of driver numbers we lack a full quota.  
 Please consider helping if you own a car,  
 Those needing lifts, don't live too far.  
 Chatting to new friends is a lot of fun,  
 As you uplift and drop off, on your car run.  
 Lots of volunteers gives us drivers galore,  
 Less duties for all, much less of a chore.  
 As a church lets help those who don't drive  
 and all play our part, helping Williamwood thrive.**

**If you can help please call Mary Montgomery on 0141 258 8447**



### **MONTHLY CAR ROTA (same every month)**

1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Anne Buchanan	639 0020	Mary Montgomery	258 8447	<b>VACANT</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Fiona Gunning	577 5761	Anne Hiddleston	639 3594	<b>VACANT</b>	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Elizabeth Purvis	620 3529	Gordon King	638 5425	<b>VACANT</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Murdoch Hodge	638 1199	Ross McGhee	638 4883	Jean Simms	638 6764
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Jennifer Barr	571 2317	Mairi McIntyre	638 1095	Anne Reid	638 5267

# GARDENING UPDATE



It is now May and the time has come again for us to get together and maintain the Church gardens. I was able to tidy up the two beds and prune the roses before going on holiday and dead headed the tubs at the front of the Church.

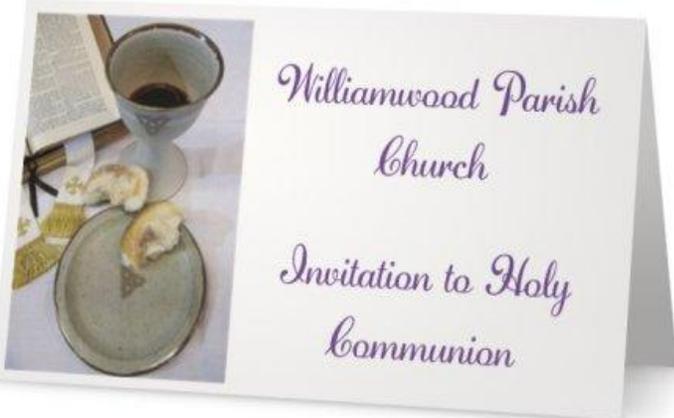
I have taken some photographs of the garden and will hopefully have something to display at the Showcase Event on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> of April.

The gardening evenings are on alternate Tuesdays from 7pm.

Dates for the next three months are - 21<sup>st</sup> of May  
4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of June  
2<sup>nd</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of July } **Weather Permitting!**

I look forward to seeing everyone raring to go, and wondered if we could get together at the Church garden on the 14th of May at 7pm for a short time when we can plan what needs to be done throughout the summer season.

**Joan Black**



We look forward to seeing you on **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> of June**  
11.00am – 12.00md  
and / or  
12.30pm – 1.00pm  
in the Iona Chapel

# Williamwood Parish Church Coffee Mates Meet the Tea Set

Alternate Tuesday Mornings in the Session House

9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of April  
7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of May  
4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of June  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of July  
13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of August  
10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of September

From  
10am  
until  
11.30am

**Come along and bring your  
friends and neighbours  
to enjoy lots of chat over coffee/tea and  
a biscuit or two**

**No charge, just a small donation**

Enter via the Vardar Avenue door

**ALL ARE WELCOME**



## Williamwood Church Summer Concerts 2019

**Sundays at 7.00pm**

June 30<sup>th</sup>    July 28<sup>th</sup>    August 25<sup>th</sup>

*Featuring Musicians from the  
Conservatoire and Glasgow*

*Entry is by Donation, with  
Refreshments Being Served  
in the Large Hall  
after the Concert*

Williamwood Parish Church, 4 Vardar Avenue, Clarkston, Glasgow G76 7QP  
[www.williamwoodparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.williamwoodparishchurch.org.uk)

Williamwood Parish Church Presents.....

# Sounds of Jazz

Featuring Aubrey Gerber's Nine Piece Swing Group

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> of May at 7.30pm

Tickets - £10 Including Refreshments

School Age Children - £5

Tickets Available from Williamwood Church

During Doors Open - Monday to Friday 10am - 11am

On Sunday's after the Service

Or Phone Jerry on 0141 571 9063

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Williamwoodparishchurch.org.uk

## PENTECOST SERVICE



Sunday 9th June  
at 7.00pm

in  
Williamwood Parish  
Church

featuring

## Sons of Thunder

a long established Glasgow based Christian praise concert band

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Please submit articles by Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2019**

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**If you would prefer a copy in large print, this  
is available**

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# SUNDAY

BB BIBLE CLASS 9.45am  
PUBLIC WORSHIP 11.00am  
SUNDAY SCHOOL ALL DEPARTMENTS 10.50am (Including the Crèche)

## MONDAY

OSCARE PRE-SCHOOL 7.00am – 9.00am  
CLARKSTON NURSERY GROUP - 9.00am-1.30pm  
OSCARE AFTER-SCHOOL 3.00pm – 6.00pm  
SHIROKAWA KARATE ACADEMY 5.00pm – 6.00pm  
128<sup>th</sup> JUNIOR SECTION 6.45pm – 8.30pm  
WILLIAMWOOD PIPE BAND 7.00pm

## TUESDAY

OSCARE PRE-SCHOOL 7.00am – 9.00am  
CLARKSTON NURSERY GROUP - 9.00am -1.30pm  
OSCARE AFTER SCHOOL 3.00pm – 6.00am  
THE GUILD 7.30pm ON ALTERNATE TUESDAYS  
McCARTHY SCHOOL OF DANCE 4.20pm – 9.40pm

## WEDNESDAY

OSCARE PRE-SCHOOL 7.00am – 9.00am  
CLARKSTON NURSERY GROUP 9.99am -1.30pm  
OSCARE AFTER SCHOOL 3.00pm – 6.00pm  
3<sup>rd</sup> BROWNIES 6.30pm -7.45pm  
THE GUIDES 7.30am -9.00pm  
SENIOR GUIDES 7.30am-9.30pm

## THURSDAY

OSCARE PRE-SCHOOL 7.00am – 9.00pm  
CLARKSTON NURSERY GROUP 9.00am -3.15pm  
MOTHER AND TODDLERS 9.45am -11.30am  
OSCARE AFTER SCHOOL 3.00pm – 6.00pm  
RAINBOWS 5.30pm -7.30pm (2 sessions)  
CHURCH CHOIR 7.30pm - SESSION HOUSE

## FRIDAY

OSCARE PRE-SCHOOL 7.00am – 9.00am  
CLARKSTON NURSERY GROUP 9.00am -3.15pm  
OSCARE AFTER SCHOOL 3.00pm – 6.00pm  
128<sup>th</sup> BB ANCHOR BOYS 6.30pm -7.30pm  
128<sup>th</sup> BB SENIOR SECTION 7.40pm  
128<sup>th</sup> BB COMPANY SECTION 7.40pm  
(OR AS ARRANGED)

## SATURDAY

McCARTHY SCHOOL OF DANCE 9.00am-5.45pm  
(Age 2 ½ - P6)  
(Including NEW Cheer Competition Class)

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# Part of the Good Friday Pilgrimage



# Easter Morning at Greenbank Gardens

