

# Williamwood Parish Church Christmas 2022 and January 2023 Newsletter



## HAPPY CHRISTMAS....

A very happy Christmas to everyone: May you know God's presence and peace at this special and holy time.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to or supported in any way all our Advent and Christmas-tide services and activities.

## A Guid New Year.....

To you and yours. May you know happiness and health in 2023

## Services take place

Christmas Eve - 6.30pm - outdoor service of carols as we await the coming of Christmas

Christmas Day - short service in the church at 11am

New Year's Day - short service in the church at 11am

Thereafter each Sunday at 11am.

The Minister thanks everyone who has sent cards and good wishes for Christmas to the manse and returns the greetings of the season, hoping all will know God's blessing at this time

The choir had a night out at Ca Va in Giffnock to say a fond farewell and good luck to Sarah. A good night was had by all, with lovely food too. (Photographs just missed the last issue)

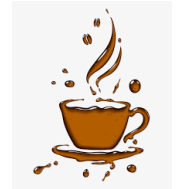


## CONGRATULATIONS....

To Elaine Best and Dougie Wilson who were married on Saturday 10th December at the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice.

All were delighted that the bride's mother, Margaret Weir, was able to attend as was Dylan (usually on our sound desk) and his brother, sons of the bride, along with their aunt (bride's sister) from Singapore.

**Goalies** meet for lunch at Williamwood Golf Club on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. Contact Rev Alastair Cherry for further details or if you need transport.



## Coffee after Church

Thank you to all the teams who have worked so hard to provide tea and coffee after the church services during 2022.

We now have five teams, but it would be easier to try to provide tea and coffee after every service in 2023 if we had more teams willing to have a turn.

If you (or your organisation) are considering it and would like more information about what's involved, please see Aileen Montgomery ([aileen5@hotmail.com](mailto:aileen5@hotmail.com)), or any coffee team member.

Best wishes for 2023 everyone!

## Church Roll Update

A few people have been asking if we can re-introduce intimations of Baptisms, Marriages and Deaths into the Monthly Newsletters. This was something that was included in the Inspire Magazine before Covid made us look at reducing our paper use and at ways to communicate electronically. Following discussions with Rev. Jan Mathieson we have decided to start this up again for 2023.

## DEATHS

*A person that departs from this earth never truly leaves, for they are still alive in our hearts, through us they live on.*

**On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> of December – Moira Yeoman**



## Doors Open is back!!

We are restarting Doors Open on a smaller scale from Tuesday 10th January. We will open on Tuesday and Thursday each week from 10am till 12.30pm.

We look forward to welcoming back old friends and seeing new people too. As usual tea coffee and biscuits will be provided.

Doors Open is in a new location. Enter by the Vardar door and come to the session house. We are hoping it will be a warmer location! There will still be access to a quiet and reflective space.

If anyone is interested in going onto the rota for Doors Open please speak to Moira McGeoch.

The Flower Calendar for 2023 has now been put back up in the Vestibule. Please add your name if you wish to donate for a certain weeks flowers in the chancel.



Dates to Remember

6 <sup>th</sup> February	Goalies meets for Lunch (See above)
9 <sup>th</sup> January (Please note the day change from Tuesdays to Mondays)	Beckie's Tea Break at Rouken Glen Garden Centre
10 <sup>th</sup> January	Guild meets to hear about <i>Starchild</i>
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Events Committee meeting

**Advance Notice**

**Fairtrade Fortnight** takes place from 27<sup>th</sup> February to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**Newsletter Update**

The newsletter goes out on the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month both electronically then printed. It can also be found on the Church Website and Facebook page.

This edition has been distributed a bit early for Christmas and New Year, and the next one will be on 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2023.

**Articles for the next newsletter should be with Evelyn Wallace by Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at the latest.**

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