

January 2025



St Andrew's Episcopal Church, Milngavie

Regular meetings....10am, each week in the Church, or Garden Room

Sundays.....Sung Holy Communion

Tuesdays.....Prayer Group

Thursdays.....Said Holy Communion

THE CHURCH MONTH....

10am Sun 5th Jan..... Feast of the Epiphany

3.pm Mon 13th Jan..... Vestry Meeting

Advent Sunday Dec 1st 2024:-



December saw Xander and Patrick as Acolytes for the processions and lighting of the Advent candles. Carrying a weighty candle is not easy at the best of times but they did it all respectfully, and stood for a photo with Rev Andrea, Robert, and Tim as Crucifer. It was genuinely lovely to see this 'visual liturgy' which exemplifies how we can use all our senses, to add dignity and beauty to our Service.



Hilda Muriel Olsen 3.7.38-7.12.24

The funeral Service for Hilda was held at Maryhill Crematorium, 19th Dec. Introductory Music included 'Morning Mood from 'Peer Gynt' and Exit music was the lovely 'Time to say Goodbye', as sung by Sarah Brightman, and Andrea Bocelli. The Hymn was 'The Day Thou Gavest', and the thought-provoking poem- 'Dust if you must'..... I have a few more details from Robin Milne but if you have some info about her, please let me know, to add to the Feb Edition.

In the recent past.....

My first visit, in recent memory, to St Andrew's was to a Thursday Service in December 2018. Kath came to discuss the history of her father, Canon Robert Bisset's, tenure here, with Robin Milne. These photos may recall past members and how the 'furniture' has been changed, at the front.







Book Reading Club:-

We will be meeting at Karine's on Wed 22nd Jan at 2.30 to discuss 'Sail away' by Celia Imrie.

Advent calendar:-

We have been appreciating a beautifully embroidered Advent calendar, made by Deirdrie with images sent, on request, daily, illustrating words from that day's carol. Ed.....very impressive, thanks Deirdrie!



Advent Study :-

Some of our members have been meeting with All Saints' to discuss Rachel Mann's book 'DO NOT BE AFRAID'. Rachel's very-open approach, both down-to-earth and also poetic, led to stimulating discussion and sharing of experiences. I think we all found that making time to stop and reflect about the experience of waiting very valuable at this busy time.



Contributed by Helen Paisley.....with thanks

A bit of colour in the winter:-

The sight of flowers at this time of year must be a sign of the coming of Spring. Gardens hide bulbs and seeds and Genesis 8:22 reminds us ... 'While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night shall not cease.' Yet, every Sunday throughout the year, lovely blooms can be seen in St Andrews, given in memory of some loved one. You can be part of that giving..... by speaking with Helen.



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A prayer for the New Year, by Bishop Brent:-

Eternal Father, Who alone can control the days that are gone, and the deeds that are done: remove from my burdened memory the weight of past years, that being set free from the glamour of complacency and the palsy of remorse, I may reach forth unto those things which are before, and press towards the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.
