



Gorbals Church Chat

Dear Friend,

The school holidays have begun, and a hush has fallen over the church building as Givin' It Laldie's musical activities take a summer break. June was another busy month when we participated in Columbafest, the festival of faith and culture in honour of St Columba which Jo and Carol help to organise. The theme this year was on recovering from Covid. It included a session where I shared some of what has been happening in the church since we re-opened our doors after lockdown.

June is the month of World Refugee Day on 20th and Refugee Festival Scotland. We partnered with the Citizens Theatre Community Collective who meet here every Friday to put on a lunch and drama workshop. As always, our kitchen volunteers did us proud producing a feast of delicious desserts. We had the added bonus of Eyerusalem bringing all her equipment for the Ethiopian coffee ceremony which gave the cooks a breather after a very busy morning. We also celebrated Sanctuary Sunday in June where we reflected on the story of Hagar and Ishmael and listened to the voices of refugees tell their stories and share their prayers.

Sadly, this month we lost our member and friend John Vallance after several months of illness. He was in the building nearly every day for a cup of tea and a chat and we miss him dearly.

The month ended with the joyful news that our members Kim and Chris have given birth to a beautiful baby boy. All are doing well, and we can't wait to meet Callum.

Until next time...

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Eyerusalem serving Ethiopian coffee

EVERY WEEK

No groups except Zest for Life and Yoga 17-28 July

Sunday

11-12 Morning Worship

Monday

11-1 Men's Group

1-3.30 Zest for Life relaxation with gentle movement.

Tuesday

10-3 Make, Do and Mend Drop-in and crafts.

Wednesday

10-2 Cooking and baking.

Community lunch served c. 12.30

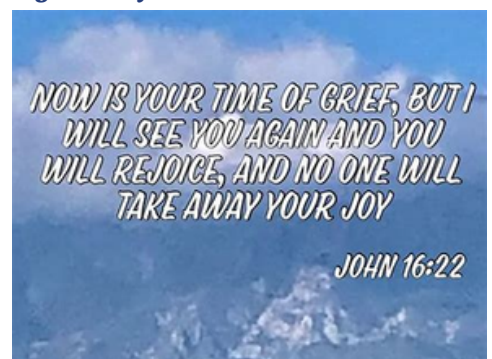
2-3 Bible study

Thursday

12-1 All for 1 Yoga then lunch



Johnny Vallance 1963-2023



ALL WELCOME!

ARISE!

Roll up! Roll up!

Come to a

Bunfight for better BREAD

with songs, stories
and 'jammy pieces'

Pan, plain, panini or paratha...

it may be a **LOAF-CHANGING** experience!

When? Sunday August 6th 2023 4.30 pm – 6 pm
Where? Gorbals Parish Church 1 Errol Gardens Glasgow G5 0RA
What? A new storytelling show in development about the fascinating history and politics of bread
Who? By **The Breadagogues** – Marie Louise Cochrane, Suzanne Houston and Andrew Whitley

What's in it for you?

Fun, flour, sour and power (and a taste of real bread)

What's in it for us?

We want your **feedback** to improve the impact of our show

For more info, contact: mrmashstoryteller@icloud.com

Some free holiday fun from our friends at Scotland the Bread who supply our kitchen with flour for Gorbals loaves



Our bench has seen a lot of use especially during the heatwave. Rumour has it that the bench has acquired a nickname - The Rest and Be Thankful!



Happy birthday to our oldest member Jean Wilson who recently turned 103. Next month her wee sister Cel will be 100!



Sunday Club

At this month's Sunday Club the children learned the story of Lydia, the seller of purple, one of the first Christians. They also learned about her un-named fellow believer a poor fortune-teller. The story inspired these collages. Sunday Club is taking a break and will be back on Sunday 3 September. All school-age children are welcome.



If you have a spare summer (waterproof?!) coat, sun hat or sunglasses in good condition, please consider leaving them on our community coat rail. If you need any of these items come and check the rail before you buy a new one. You might save yourself some money and also avoid clothing going to landfill.



The outside planters are flourishing with leafy greens and herbs. The bees love it.

Please help yourself to whatever you can use and leave enough for others to enjoy, too.

