

## **Intimations:**

Rev. James Aitken will be on holiday from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> August to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August inclusive. Pastoral cover will be provided by Dewold Louw, Carrick Knowe church on 07464 847 803.

### **Our Sanctuary is open for worship and we can sing:**

We are delighted to report that the sanctuary is open for worship. We are also permitted to sing with facemasks.

**If you would prefer to just come along for worship, we have lots of space** and if by chance you can't get a seat, we will take your details and pop you on the list for the next week should you wish.

If you turn up on the morning, you will be required to give your details for Test and Protect.

If you wish to book a place call **07399 950 204** Tuesday to Thursday mornings.

Numbers permitted to attend our services in the sanctuary are now up to 104 and our Social Distancing in the sanctuary is 1m.

**Autumn Quarterly:** the copy date is **TODAY**. I will be happy to receive contributions by email ([alecstevenson0@gmail.com](mailto:alecstevenson0@gmail.com)) or in hard copy (phone 334 4471 to arrange collection). Alec Stevenson.

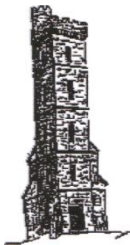
**St. Ninian's lost one of its members, Michael Gunn.** Michael's funeral was private and has already been held. Please remember Joan, his wife and Ross, his son who are members of St. Ninian's in your prayers. Joan and Michael were married in St. Ninian's on this day, the 1st August, 52 years ago.

## Enterprise Committee Intimation Summer 2021

Due to the current situation with Covid-19 and the likely requirements, it has been decided that there will not be physical Open Gardens this year. However, with the success of Virtual Open Gardens last year with photos being put on the St. Ninian's website, this will be repeated this year but with the added incentive of a Competition!

New photos of Gardens will not only be put on the "Photos" section of the website, but also be judged such that what are deemed to be the "best" three or four will be displayed on the Home Page. The photos on the Home Page will be anonymous.

Should you wish to be included, please send no more than two photographs, attached to an e-mail, to [andrewjjob@outlook.com](mailto:andrewjjob@outlook.com). Narrative can be included but should you wish your Christian and Surname to be included this will require explicit permission for GDPR requirements; so, Ian Kirkpatrick's Garden would require permission, but Ian's Garden would not. It would not be advisable to include your postal address.



## FRIENDS OF CORSTORPHINE HILL SUMMER EVENTS JULY-AUGUST 2021

### Tower Opening

The Tower will open to visitors from **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2-4pm**, and hopefully through July and August. At present we do not have enough volunteers, please consider volunteering for one Sunday per month to help us out. Visitors will need to **book in advance as numbers are limited**, and wear facemasks, and hand sanitisers will be provided.

**Groups of up to 5** can book a 15-minute slot.

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## Stop the spread of COVID-19 in Edinburgh



Regular testing for people with no COVID-19 symptoms is one of the ways we can all help keep people safe and stop the spread of COVID-19 in Edinburgh. Infection rates are rising across Edinburgh, so we'd like to remind people how they can get tested in Edinburgh, even if they've been vaccinated.

You can order free rapid lateral flow tests online at <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> or by phoning the National Testing Centre on **119**.

Almost 1 in 3 people infected with Covid-19 don't have any of the usual symptoms but are potentially passing on the virus unknowingly to family, friends and others in the community. By getting tested people can find out if they are positive and self-isolate at home to stop spreading the virus to others. People who have been vaccinated are also encouraged to take a test as they may still carry the virus.

You can find out more about community testing on our web pages at [www.edinburgh.gov.uk/communitytesting](http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/communitytesting)

Please can you share this with your contacts in the community and encourage people to come along for testing.



**The Edinburgh Food Project** depends on all of us to help families experiencing food poverty. They ask that each time you shop you try to buy just a few extra items, and these make a big difference.

**These are the most urgently needed items.**

TINNED FRUIT  
JAM  
PULSES  
SUGAR  
COFFEE  
RICE  
SHAVING FOAM  
HAND WASH  
RAZORS  
SHAMPOO

**They are LOW on the following items:**

DEODERANT  
PASTA SAUCE  
SNACKS  
DESSERTS  
FRUIT JUICE (LONG LIFE)  
HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS

Donating these items can make a **real difference** for families struggling to provide.

**Everyone referred to the project receives a balanced & nutritious 3 day supply of food.**

Over 90% of the food distributed by foodbanks in [The Trussell Trust](#) network is donated by the public – that's why your food donations are absolutely vital to our ability to give everyone referred to us a balanced and nutritious three day supply of food.

There are donation points at Tesco Corstorphine and both M&S and Morrison's at the Gyle.