## **NEWS OUTWITH THE PEWS – 17.12.2025**



Dear all,

Please see below for this week's round up of all the latest news, events and reminders:

## **A** Sunday Services:

- 09.45 Morning Worship at Cameron Service of Lessons and Carols
- 11.00 Morning Worship at St Leonard's Service of Lessons and Carols (including Baptism)
- ▲ Christmas Office Hours: Please note that the office will close on Friday 19 December and will reopen on Tuesday 6 January.
- m Christmas Services: Please go to Sunday Worship for details
- ▲ Joint Service: On **Sunday 28 December**, the congregations of Cameron & St Leonard's and St. Mark's are coming together in St Mark's at 10.30am, to share faith and worship for the first Sunday of Christmas and the last Sunday of 2025. All welcome!
- ► Stamp Appeal: Please remember to bring along your used or unwanted stamps for the Church of Scotland Stamp Appeal for Al Ahli Hospital in Gaza. The stamp project ends in February, so please drop them off early in the New Year. Thank you.
- •• I Gift Aid Forms: If you have not already picked one up, yellow blank Gift Aid Forms in the name of St Andrews New Kirk are available. To ensure a successful claim from HMRC it is very important that everyone who is a taxpayer completes a form as soon as possible and pops it in the yellow box in the Welcome Area. Standing order donations will continue to go to our current bank account and we will advise when the time comes to make that change.
- Families First Christmas Appeal: We have received a lovely letter of thanks from the Families First charity following their appeal for donations of toys and gifts for children facing disadvantage across North East Fife.

Pens and Notebooks: Possibly to become collectors items in the near future, we still have some pens and notebooks with the Cameron & St Leonard's branding on! If you would like any, please contact Jane Smith or the church office to make arrangements. Notebooks or Pens just £2 each.

## Regular reminders:

The Fair Trade stall runs weekly after the worship at St Leonard's and, on request, elsewhere! They often have new products to try as well as the staples, such as coffee and chocolate! When you buy from the stall you support farmers in fragile communities across the world. If you can't get to a St Leonard's service, please message the office and I will put you in touch with Mary who organises the stall to make alternative arrangements.

Souper Friday at St Mark's takes place every Friday from 12pm until 2 pm. Soup, bread, home baking and a cuppa are all on offer and all for a small donation. All welcome!

Easyfundraising: This is a great source of 'free' money for Cameron and St Leonard's. It doesn't cost you anything - the donations are made by the retailers you shop with. So far we have raised a welcome 4-figure sum this way!!! If you would like to get involved, sign up for free and turn your holiday bookings, new insurance policies, and all sorts of other online shopping at over 8,000 retailers into free donations for our cause! Sign up

now: <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stleonardskirk/?utm\_medium=em\_ail-share&utm\_source=Facebook&utm\_campaign=dd-nov-24&utm\_term=Q3241&utm\_content=socialshare">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stleonardskirk/?utm\_medium=em\_ail-share&utm\_source=Facebook&utm\_campaign=dd-nov-24&utm\_term=Q3241&utm\_content=socialshare</a>

As well as obvious shops like M&S, John Lewis, Fortnum & Mason (!) etc, companies such as Not on the High Street.com, insurance companies, and even holiday companies contribute to this... so just booking via the easyfundraising site can bring us in a nice wee bonus. Guilt free shopping for 27 members of the congregation! Let me know if you need help with signing up.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 🎄

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