



*Following Christ
Spreading the Word
Serving the Community*

Minister: Revd. Alan D. Reid M.A. B.D
Intimations: Sunday, 24th November 2024
A very warm welcome to Kinross Parish Church

Here is the weekly calendar and notices. For any queries, please email the Church Office or leave a voice-message. Gatherings on Zoom - please contact the Church Office for information and link details.

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Today: Sunday, 24th November:

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church
10.30am: Morning Worship, Joshua 22-24 – Choose whom you will serve
Activities for Children during the service, and Tea, Coffee & Fairtrade Stall after Worship
6.00pm: Prayer Time on Zoom
6.00pm: Crossfire in the Church Centre
7.00pm: Sunday@7 – Informal worship in the Church

Catch-Up: Audio recordings of Sunday worship on 01577 528270 line 1 or watch on YouTube or Facebook

Monday, 25th November:

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open
1.45pm: Bridge & Board Games in the Church
7.30pm: Monday House-group
7.30pm: Adult Dungeons & Dragons in the Church

Tuesday, 26th November:

10.00am: Stepping Stones for the under 5s in the Church
1.00pm: Funeral of Keith Morton at the North Cemetery
2.00pm: Tuesday House-group
7.00pm: Presbytery Service of Linking at Abernethy Church

Wednesday, 27th November:

11.15am: Midweek Service in the Church Centre led by Revd. Duncan Stenhouse
12 Noon: Deadline for the Intimations kpcnotices@gmail.com
1.30pm: Craft Group in the Church
7.45pm: Men's House-group in the Church Meeting Room
8.00pm: Women's House-group

Thursday, 28th November:

10.30am: Thursday House-group
11.00am: Table Talk on Zoom
8.00pm: Young Mums' House-group on Zoom

Friday, 29th November: Minister's Day Off

10.00am-12noon: Church Office closed, operating remotely
1st Kinross Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association:
6.00-7.15pm: Anchor Section P1,2 and 3. 7.00-9.00pm: Junior Section P4,5 and 6
7.00-9.30pm: Company Section P7-S3. 7.00-9.30pm: Senior Section S4,5 and 6

Next Sunday, 1st December: 1st Sunday in Advent & Communion Sunday:

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church
10.30am: Morning Worship, Luke 1: 68-75; 'The Legends'
Activities for Children during the service. **NB: NO** Tea, Coffee or Fairtrade Stall after Worship
6.00pm: Prayer Time on Zoom
6.00pm: Crossfire in the Church Centre.

Monday, 2nd December:

8.00am: Time for Prayer: Silent Meditation led by Revd. Jim Redpath
10.00am-12noon: Church Office open
1.45pm: Bridge & Board Games in the Church
7.30pm: Monday House-group

Rosemary Braid: It was with great sadness that we learned of Rosemary's death on the evening of Sunday 17th November. She passed away peacefully surrounded by her four loving daughters. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Dungeons & Dragons:

Youth D&D in the church 5.30pm Fridays 6th December.

Adult D&D in the church 7.30pm Mondays: 25th November and 2nd December.



Sunday @7 runs from 7pm to 8pm on **Sunday, 24th November**. A short, informal service of contemporary worship and bite-sized Bible teaching. Everyone is welcome. There are no services in December, so the first service of 2025 is 12th January.

Portmoak Church: Friday 29th November, Saturday 30th November and Sunday 1st December, 2pm to 4pm, Portmoak Church invite you to come and view the exhibition "Portmoak Through The Ages". Serving teas, coffee and home-baking. All welcome.

Flower Group Coffee Morning: Saturday, 7th December Church Centre from **9.30am till 12.30pm**.

Serving teas, coffee and home-baking. Local makers Katy's Crafts, Goosetown Pottery, The Aromatic Box, the Church Craft Group and Fairtrade will be there. 'About Thyme' will be selling wreaths £5 from each sale goes directly to Church funds. Pre order from a member of the flower group now. All welcome.

Kinross Community Carols: Friday, 20th December Come along and sing at Kinross Parish Church from 7pm. Organised by Loch Leven Church and with singing led by Ian White and the Inspiration Orchestra, free entry and refreshments served. All very welcome.

VOLUNTEER VACANCIES:

Volunteer Vacancy for Website Administrator: would you have 2 hours per week to help keep our [church website](#) up to date? It can be done remotely with full training and support from the Team. Interested? We would love to hear from you. Please contact Alice or via the Church Office.

Help Serve Teas? The number of people serving teas after Sunday morning services has shrunk recently. The chance to chat after the service over a coffee is an important part of our congregational life and of our welcome to new folk. If this is something you could help with, please give your details to Gordon or any of the serving team, or to the Church Office.

NEWS:

NEW: The Fairtrade Coffee Morning in September resulted in £365 being sent to Transform Trade (previously Traidcraft Exchange). What we did not realise, until we received the certificate from Transform Trade, was that this money will allow a community shop to be set up in rural Bangladesh. Transform Trade hope to set up 100 of these shops and for each shop they require £350, so our coffee morning donation will fund one of these shops. To find out more go to <https://www.transform-trade.org/big-brew-stories-2024>

Living Generously, Stewardship Campaign 2024: I am glad to say that there are some signs of positive movement in our regular income, but we are still looking at a large end of year deficit. Grateful thanks to everyone who has reviewed their giving, and can I encourage those who have yet to do so, to think again about how they support the Church? Any questions about making donations or setting up gift aid, please get in touch. Our major problem is the cost of heat and light which is now beginning to bite. We are, of course, aware that the cost of living is a major factor for many of us. For those of us with long memories we know that Kinross Parish Church has overcome such difficulties in the past and with prayer and hard work we intend to get over the immediate crisis too. George Hayton, Finance Convener.

Advent Videos: As part of this upcoming advent season, we would like to highlight and include participants from all our regular groups within two videos to be shown at Sunday worship. The first will be your response to the question, 'What is your favourite Bible story and why?' The second video involves two questions, 'How does your group show the love of God?' (for leaders to answer) and 'Why do you keep coming back to this group?' (for participants). Could group leaders send in videos to ajohnson@churchofscotland.org.uk for Alex to edit. **Please record your video in the LANDSCAPE format.**

Results of Congregational Votes: The following votes were cast last Sunday by the four congregations involved in the proposals for the formation of Kinross-shire Parish Church. Votes were also taken at Cleish, Fossoway and Orwell & Portmoak on whether to elect Alan Reid as one of the Team Ministers.

<u>Congregation</u>	<u>Cleish</u>	<u>Fossoway</u>	<u>Kinross</u>	<u>Orwell & Portmoak</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Basis of Union	15 – 6	44 – 3	116 – 155 – 1	230 - 11	
Team Ministry	15 – 5	44 – 3	117 – 055 – 1	231 - 9	

Reviewable Tenure	15 – 5	44 – 3	115 – 255 – 1	229 - 11	
Election of A Reid	15 – 5	45 – 2	n/a	54 – 2	114 - 9

**Joint Vision Group of Cleish, Fossoway, Kinross and Orwell & Portmoak Church
Highlights of Wednesday, 16th October 2024 Meeting**

1. Voting on the Union: **Sunday, 3rd November** special Kirk Session meetings; Sunday 17 November congregational votes at morning worship. Members to vote where they have their lines. Church of Scotland does not allow voting by proxy. Draft documents available from your church or [here](#). If votes are in favour:
2. United Service **Sunday, 5th January 2025**: 11am communion at Fossoway Church: **to be confirmed**
3. United Kirk Session meeting: proposed for **Saturday, 11th January 2025** for all elders to map out structure and process of the new eldership and Kirk Session and to appoint key roles
4. Service of Union by Presbytery: proposed to be held on a Tuesday or Thursday evening in January at Kinross Church, depending on Presbytery availability
5. Nominating Committee: Revd. Beverley Stevenson will become Interim Moderator of the 13-person committee seeking a Team Minister for Charge B
6. Vision Group welcomed the questions it had received and is always happy to receive comments – speak with your Minister or Session Clerk
7. Next Vision Group meeting: **Wednesday, 13th November 2024** at Fossoway.

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH:

Presbytery: The office is Suite F3, Riverview House, Friarton Road, Perth, PH2 8DF. Tel: 07596 868064. perth@churchofscotland.org.uk; www.perthpresbytery.org.uk Facebook: [Presbytery of Perth](#). Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/presbytery_of_perth

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND NEWS:

From Your Editor: Please remember that intimations for publication to kpcnotices@gmail.com should only be for **TWO WEEKS**. Any longer is at the Editor’s discretion! Please send your intimation in the body of the email, rather than as an attachment. Many Thanks, *Graeme*.

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Pastoral Emergencies: If the Minister is not immediately available, please contact Probationer Alex Johnson ajohnson@churchofscotland.org.uk. (Currently on Paternity Leave) Alternative points of contact will be given on the Manse answering machine Tel. 01577 862952.

To read any Kinross Parish Church policy documents, e.g. Safeguarding and Whistleblowing, visit our [Church website](#)

Contacts: PLEASE GET IN TOUCH BY TELEPHONE, THROUGH THE CHURCH OFFICE OR VIA THE CONTACTS PAGE ON OUR CHURCH WEBSITE

**We believe in a God that hears and answers prayer.
Why not print this page and use it this week?**

Prayer Points for week beginning 24th November

Sunday, 24th November: Ask God to enable all those who have a part in the leading of worship this morning and to bless everyone who joins the service whether in person or online.

Monday, 25th: Remember those High School pupils who have prelims coming up that they may give a good account of themselves in each exam that they have.

Tuesday, 26th: Pray for the congregation of Abernethy & Dron & Arngask as they enter a linkage with Dunbarney & Forgandenny and with Aberdalgie & Forteviot. Responsibility for the former parish of Arngask will come to the new parish of Kinross-shire.

Wednesday, 27th: Remember all those who attend Kinross Centre and pray for the staff and volunteers as they each play their part.

Thursday, 28th: Ask God to protect those who face persecution today because of their faith in Christ and to enable them to share that faith as they pray for their persecutors.

Friday, 29th: Pray for those who are dealing with illness of body, mind or spirit and those who face bereavement. Pray also for all who care for those in need.

Saturday, 30th: Pray that the light of Christ may shine in the darkness of this time of year during the Advent season and that the promises of God fulfilled in the coming of Christ may become a reality for many in our community this Christmas.

Amen