

Minister: Revd. Alan D. Reid M.A. B.D
Intimations: Sunday, 19th January 2025

A very warm welcome to Kinross 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, 19th January:

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship. John 2: 1-11 The Wedding at Cana in Galilee

Children's activities during worship. Refreshments and Fairtrade stall after the service

12.30pm: Choir potluck lunch and rehearsal

6.00pm: Time for Prayer gathering on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire youth group in the Church Centre

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

Monday, 20th January:

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open

1.45pm: Bridge & Board Games in the Church

7.30pm: Monday House-group

7.30pm: Kinross-shire Church Vision Group meeting at **Orwell Church**

Tuesday, 21st January:

10.00am: Stepping Stones for the under 5s in the Church

10.00am-12noon: Restore course at **Orwell Church**

1.00pm: Funeral of Robert 'Bob' Graham in the Church

2.00pm: Tuesday House-group

Wednesday, 22nd January:

11.15am: Midweek Service in the Church Centre led by Revd. Margaret Michie

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. The Reframe Course. New members welcome

8.00pm: Women's House-group

Thursday, 23rd January:

10.30am: Thursday House-group

11.00am: Table Talk on Zoom

8.00pm: Young Mums' House-group on Zoom

Friday, 24th January: Minister's Day Off

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open

5.30pm: Youth Dungeons & Dragons in the Church

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

Saturday, 25th January:

7.00am-7.00pm: Praying in the Parish. Please try and take the time to drop in

4.00-6.00pm: Messy Church for all the family at **Orwell Church**

Next Sunday, 26th January:

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship. Luke 4: 14-21 Jesus' Sermon at Nazareth

Children's activities during worship. Refreshments and Fairtrade stall after the service

3.00pm: Songs of Praise at **Portmoak Church**

6.00pm: Time for Prayer gathering on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire youth group in the Church Centre

7.00pm: Sunday@7 in the Church

Monday, 27th January:

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

Praying in the Parish: As the new Kinross-shire Parish is inaugurated, a Day of Prayer will be held in Kinross Church on **Saturday, 25th January**. The Church will be open from 7am to 7pm with a short act of worship each hour on the hour and a number of prayer stations for individuals to use for private prayer. Come at some point during the day for as short or long a time as you wish.

KINROSS-SHIRE PARISH CHURCH

On 1st January 2025, Arngask, Cleish, Fossoway, Kinross, Orwell & Portmoak became the new parish of Kinross-shire. There are three worship centres, including Kinross Church:

Fossoway Church, Crook of Devon KY13 0UY | Sunday service 9.45am | Interim Minister: Revd. Beverley Stevenson | Website: [Cleish and Fossoway churches](#)

Orwell Church, Milnathort KY13 9YQ | Sunday service 10.30am | Associate Minister: Revd. Robert Calvert
Website: [ORWELL & PORTMOAK PARISH CHURCH](#)

The Ministers in each of the churches would be pleased to continue answering any questions the congregation may have about the transition through the union. Updates can be found on the [church website](#).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

RESTORE
GOD'S HEALING IN THE HEART AND MIND
Deep wounds of the heart and mind can prevent us living life to the full.
Over 6 weeks, a small group with facilitators trained by the Scottish Bible Society will look at what the Bible and mental health best practices teach us about how to heal from trauma. Topics include:
• *If God loves us, why do we suffer?*
• *What can help our hearts heal?*
Tuesday mornings 21st January – 25th February
10am -12pm in Orwell Church
Refreshments provided. Age 18 years +. Free to attend. Optional handbook £5.
For more information or to sign up contact Fiona Seaman:
Email: orwellandportmoakchurch@gmail.com

Year of Listening Project: The first meeting of the Year of Listening Project will be held at **7pm** on **Thursday, 30th January** in Kinross Church. The project plans to practically unpack what it means to listen to God. If you would like to be involved, please email: ajohnson@churchofscotland.org.uk

A date for your diary. Friday, 14th March

The Choir and Kingdom Singers from Dunfermline are doing a joint concert in Kinross Church at 7pm. The programme will be very varied, and we would love you to join us that night.

NEWS:

NEW: Kinross Year-end Accounts:

The final accounts for Kinross Parish Church 2024 are in. Thankfully, for many reasons we have managed to avoid the large deficit which was predicted if circumstances did not change. We end the year with a small surplus of £1,296. Thanks to all those who reviewed their giving and a gentle nudge to anyone who is still to do so. The main pressure has been the cost of heat and light, and this is not going to go away in 2025. *The Treasurer*

NEW: Christmas donations for Tearfund:

I am pleased to report that we collected a total (including gift-aid) of £1,553.77 during the festive period. This is an excellent amount; well done to all who contributed. *The Treasurer*

NEW: Service of Union:

If you were unable to attend the Presbytery's Service of Union for the new Kinross-shire Parish Church on 9th January you may wish to pick up one of the Orders of Service in the vestibule as a souvenir of this historic occasion. View the service at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y3hk3OjFL_g

VOLUNTEER VACANCIES:

NEW: Choir Members:

Would you be interested in joining us? We meet on a Sunday morning at 9.15am to practise and a few extra practices throughout the year. Apart from the joy of singing we have great fun and fellowship. If you are interested, please speak to me or any member of the choir. *Isobel*

Stepping Stones:

We are looking to add to our team that help us at the end of our Tuesday Sessions in tidying up and putting the chairs back. You would need to arrive about 11.20 and would be finished by 11.45 (term time only). This is done on a rota basis with the rest of the team, so you're not required every week. If you would be willing to help us, please speak to either Kathleen, Isobel or contact the office. This job is much appreciated by the SS team.

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH:

NEW: Chaplain Job Vacancy: Presbytery is recruiting another Presbytery Chaplain. The post is 8 hours a week. Details at [2025 Jan Perth chaplain job description.pdf](#). At the moment, this is being advertised only within Presbytery. Essential characteristics and qualifications include: 'committed Christian with live church connection' and 'qualification in a listening practice such as... counselling'. 'Experience of ministry in the Church of Scotland' is desirable but not essential. If you are interested, please send an application to: jferguson@churchofscotland.org.uk .

Safeguarding: Presbytery has appointed Mairi MacLeod as its Safeguarding Administrator. Mairi will be working 10 hours a week in this post and may be contacted at mairi.macleod@churchofscotland.org.uk

Mission Plan Updates: The annual revision of the Presbytery Mission Plan was considered at a meeting of Presbytery on 16th January. The Plan continues to be implemented, with the Presbytery meeting on 21st January to mark the union of five existing congregations in north-west Dundee, and on 23rd January to mark the linkage of Balfroon and Fintry with Drymen and East Loch Lomond.'

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

NEWS FROM THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND:

NEW: Stamp Appeal: With the volunteer help of Kathleen in collecting and sorting used stamps, Kinross Church supports the Church of Scotland Stamp Appeal, which is currently helping the 'Firmly Planted' environmental project in Malawi.

The Church of Scotland has announced that the appeal had raised more than £18,000 by November. Used stamps and stamp collections are gathered in from congregations, organisations and individuals throughout Scotland, sorted, valued and sold to collectors.

There is a collection tin for used stamps in the church's vestibule.

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*.

PS: PLEASE DON'T SEND EMAILS ON A SUNDAY, GIVE YOURSELF A BREAK!!!

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

Read any Kinross Church policy documents, e.g. Safeguarding and Whistleblowing, on 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 19th January 2025

Sunday, 19th: Pray for an outpouring of God's Holy Spirit upon Kinross-shire and upon our nation and for a readiness amongst God's people to disciple those who come to faith in Christ.

Monday, 20th: The Kinross-shire Parish Vision Group is meeting this evening to talk through practical matters in advance of the next meeting of the Kirk Session next week. Pray for God's blessing on all the discussions.

Tuesday, 21st: Pray for the congregations of Camperdown, Lochee, Logie & St. John's Cross, Menzieshill and Dundee: West as they come together to form Westgait Parish with a ministry team, that they may advance God's Kingdom on the western side of the city.

Wednesday, 22nd: Ask a blessing on all who work with the elderly and the vulnerable in our community, through the church, the Day Centre, Broke Not Broken and other local groups, that the older generation may live life to the full.

Thursday, 23rd: Pray for the congregations of Balfron, Drymen and East Loch Lomond as they celebrate their linkage at a service this evening and begin the process of calling a minister.

Friday, 24th: Ask a blessing on all who work with children and young people through the church and KYTHE, in uniformed organisations, in schools and in healthcare that a new generation may find fullness of life.

Saturday, 25th: Kinross Church is open all today from 7am to 7pm to lift the establishment of Kinross-shire Parish Church before God in prayer. Please come for a time during the day and pray for different aspects of the work of the Church. Join others for a short act of worship on the hour.

Amen