



*Following Christ
Spreading the Word
Serving the Community*

Minister: Revd. Alan D. Reid M.A. B.D
Intimations: Communion Sunday, 3rd March 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, 3rd March – Communion Sunday

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship with Communion. 1 Peter 4 – 1-11: True Love. **Retiring Offering for Scottish Bible Society 'Bibles for Bairns'**. Children's and young people's activities during worship

NO Refreshments or Fairtrade stall after worship

6.00pm: Prayer Time on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire in the Church Centre

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

Monday, 4th March:

8.00am: Time for Prayer: Silent Meditation in the Church

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

1.45pm: Bridge and board games in the Church

The Choir are taking part in this year's Perform in Perth on Monday, 4th March in the evening. Members of the public are welcome to come and watch the performances in the Gannochy Auditorium at the Concert Hall. The Choir competition, for the Crawford Chalice, starts at 7.30pm as part of the evening competition classes from 6.00pm, which include Kinross High School's String Orchestra at 6.30pm and Orchestra at 8.30pm. It would be nice to have some local support for the choir if you're able

7.30pm: Monday House-group. Studies in the "I am" sayings of Jesus

Tuesday, 5th March:

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

2.00pm: Tuesday House-group

7.00pm: Guild in the Church Centre. Speaker: Revd. Alan Reid. New members or guests always welcome

Wednesday, 6th March:

11.00am: Funeral of Lynda Millar in the Church

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

1.30pm: Craft Group in the Church

7.45pm: Men's House-group in the Church Meeting Room – Lent Study

8.00pm: Women's House-group

Thursday, 7th March:

10.30am: Thursday House-group

11.00am: Table Talk on Zoom

7.00pm: Induction of Revd. Austin Wicks at Sauchie Church. Coach leaves Kinross Parish Church @5.45pm

Friday, 8th March:

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

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

Next Sunday, 10th March:

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship & Stated Annual Meeting. 1 Peter 4:12-19 – Rejoicing in Suffering

Children's and young people's activities during worship. Refreshments and Fairtrade stall after worship

6.00pm: Prayer Time on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire in the Church Centre

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Dungeons & Dragons:

Youth D&D in the Church at 5.30pm on Fridays 8th March & 22nd March.

Adult D&D in the Church at 7.30pm on Mondays 11th Mar, 25th Mar, 15th Apr, 29th Apr, 13th May, 27th May, 10th Jun, 24th Jun.

Easter Sunday Morning: The Kirklands Hotel has been booked for after the Lochside Service on **Sunday, 31st March**. The cost is £7 per person for a bacon roll and tea or coffee. Please contact the Church Office to book your place.

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Family Week takes place **Monday, 29th July** to **Friday, 2nd August**. If you would like to be a member of the team, we'll be having a meeting for the whole team (along with anyone who'd like to find out more) on **Saturday 9th March** from 10am till 12 noon in Kinross Parish Church.

Flower Group Coffee Morning: Saturday, 16th March, 10am till 12 noon, Church Centre, Kinross, teas, coffee, with home baked scones and biscuits, flower and plant stall, Fairtrade stall. Please come along and support our event, we look forward to seeing you then.

Church Family Walks for 2024: For all walks, please meet in the Church car park at 2.15pm.

Sundays: 17th March, 21st April, 19th May, 23rd June, 21st July, 18th August, 15th September, 20th October & 17th November. Venues TBC. We are also looking for people to lead walks. If you feel that this is something you could do, please contact the Church Office.

NEWS:

Transport to Austin's Induction: Transport to Austin's Induction on Thursday 7th March 2024 at 7pm. Payment of £10 per person for those already booked (and still to pay) can be made to Bill M after the service today, 3rd March. Should you wish to pay by bank transfer, contact Bill on 01592 840602 or Church Office for details. Late bookings are still available, contact Bill.

THE COACH WILL LEAVE FROM KINROSS PARISH CHURCH ON THURSDAY, 7th MARCH AT 5.45pm.

Life and Work: Two items in the March issue of Life and Work magazine are of special interest to us, with reports on our Guild's 135-year anniversary celebration, with photograph, and on the 2023 Blythswood Shoe-Box Appeal, which was supported by our congregation. The Highland-based Blythswood charity has announced that an amazing 84,655 gift-filled boxes were sent to eight countries in eastern Europe this year and thanks its many supporters from Church of Scotland congregations.

Life and Work is 'The Magazine of the Church of Scotland', though editorially independent. Digital subscriptions cost £32.99 for 12 issues (a year) or £42.00 for an annual print subscription including postage: <https://www.lifeandwork.org/subscribe/subscribe>. Or contact Anne S. through the church office. She organises print subscriptions which you then collect at the church. There is a back issue in the Discipleship corner of the church if you want to have a look.

Crossfire – looking for volunteers: Sunday evenings 6-7.30pm in the Church Centre. The young people who attend Crossfire are cheerful, fun, and keen and eager to try new activities. The volunteers who help run Crossfire are enthusiastic and welcoming, but we need to add to our volunteer group. Is working with the youth of our Church something you think you might be interested in? Why not come along to one of our sessions and see for yourself or get in contact with Jenny M.

PARISH GROUPING: Progress on Parish Grouping:

Joint Vision Group of Kinross and Orwell & Portmoak Church Highlights of 14th February 2024 Meeting

If you have questions, comments or suggestions, please speak with the Minister or Session Clerk or send an [email](#) as we welcome everyone's input.

- Name of the united congregation:** the recommendation is "Kinross-shire" (for OSCR: Kinross-shire Parish Church of Scotland)
- Joint Mission Statement:** the recommendation is Worshipping God, Following Christ, Serving the Community
- Stages for Union:** the Basis of Union to be brought to the uniting Kirk Sessions in May 2024 followed by congregational votes. Orwell & Portmoak congregation also to vote whether to accept Rev Alan Reid as its Minister. Basis of Union then passes to Presbytery and OSCR for approval, everything being finalised ready for 1 January 2025 union.
- Communicating with members:** beginning ahead of the official union, a proposal for a joint weekly email sent to subscribers to share Church family news and upcoming events.

- 5. **Groups:** all groups have met/ are meeting to discuss how best to work together, e.g. plan for a joint Christian Aid initiative.
- 6. **Parish Grouping Kirk Session meeting 22nd February:** an opportunity to keep building relationships across the parish grouping and discuss ideas.
- 7. **Next Vision Group meeting:** 13 March. Future meetings to consider how to respond to areas of the parish where there is no longer a worshipping presence, and what a future Kirk Session might look like.
- 8. **Feedback:** the group welcomed the comments it had received and took time to discuss each one. Please continue as this helps formulate ideas: speak with a minister or contact office@kinrossparishchurch.org or orwellandportmoakchurch@gmail.com

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**PRESBYTERY OF PERTH:**

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NEWS FROM THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND:

On-line Courses: New courses aimed at encouraging people to explore their faith as well as supporting local church office holders in their roles have been added to the Church of Scotland Learning platform. The latest modules added to the site explore becoming an elder, becoming a session clerk, growing as a leader, exploring your calling and spiritual gifts, and funeral ministry. [Click here](#) for further information.

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We believe in a God who hears and answers prayer.

Prayer Points for the week commencing Sunday, 3rd March 2024

Sunday 3rd: As we prepare to gather at the Lord's Table this morning, pray that each one will know the Lord's presence and a sense of belonging to the church universal in heaven and on earth.

Monday 4th: Continue to pray for those caught up in the terrible conflicts in Gaza and in Ukraine and ask God to pour out His peace into the hearts of people everywhere.

Tuesday 5th: Give thanks for the Guild and pray that as meetings resume for the spring there will be a deepening of fellowship and a renewing of faith.

Wednesday 6th: Give thanks for the opportunities of school chaplaincy and pray for the Minister as he takes part in assemblies at the Primary School this afternoon.

Thursday 7th: Pray for Austin and Alicia and for the congregations of Clackmannan and of Sauchie & Coalsnaughton as a new chapter of ministry and mission begins there tonight.

Friday 8th: Keep the work of the Brigade in your prayers and ask God's blessing on the officers and young people as they gather this evening.

Saturday 9th: Pray on for God's guiding as plans begin to take shape for consultation on the opportunities for youth ministry given by the Seeds for Growth grant.

Amen