



*Following Christ
Spreading the Word
Serving the Community*

Minister: Revd. Alan D. Reid M.A. B.D
Intimations: Palm Sunday, 24th 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: Palm Sunday, 24th March – Invite a Friend to Church Sunday:

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Palm Sunday Worship led by the Minister. 1 Peter 5:1-14 – Christian Humility

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

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

Monday, 25th March:

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

1.45pm: Bridge and board games in the Church

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

7.30pm: Adult Dungeons & Dragons in the Church

Wednesday, 27th March:

11.15am: Midweek Service in the Church Centre led by Revd. David Mackenzie Mills

1.30pm: Craft Group in the Church

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

Maundy Thursday, 28th March:

7.30pm: Maundy Thursday United Communion in Kinross Parish Church

Good Friday, 29th March:

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

1.00pm: United Walk of Witness from Kinross Church Centre via Kinross Parish Church and St James' RC Church to St Paul's Episcopal Church

2.00pm: The Last Hour at the Cross – St Paul's Episcopal 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

7.30pm: United Good Friday Service at Portmoak Church

Holy Saturday, 30th March:

4.00-6.00pm: Messy Church at Orwell Church (including a family meal)

Next Sunday, 31st March – Easter Sunday:

Please remember to put your clocks forward for British Summer Time

7.30am BST: United Loch-side Service at The Kirkgate Park, followed by breakfast for those who have booked at the Kirklands Hotel

10.30am BST: Easter Morning Worship. John 20:1-10 – On the First Day of the Week

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

NB: NO Prayer Time on Zoom

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

The following groups are taking a break for Easter

Stepping Stones: Resumes at 10am on **Tuesday, 23rd April** at the Church.

Table Talk: Resumes at 11am on **Thursday, 18th April** on Zoom.

Monday Housegroup: Continues this week then will resume on **Monday, 22nd April**.

Tuesday Housegroup: Resumes at 1.45pm on **Tuesday, 9th April**.

Wednesday Housegroup: Resumes at 8.00pm on **Wednesday, 17th April**.

Thursday Housegroup: Resumes at 10.30am on **Thursday, 11th April**.

Dungeons & Dragons:

Youth D&D in the Church 5.30pm Fridays 19th Apr, 3rd May, 17th May, 31st May, 14th Jun.

Adult D&D in the Church 7.30pm Mondays 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 **no later than Friday 29th March before 12noon**.



Sunday@7 is back!

We have new dates. Sunday@7 will run from 5.30pm – 9.00pm on the following Sundays: 21st April, 5th May, 19th May, 2nd June, & 16th June.

The Guild is holding a concert in Kinross Parish Church in aid of Guild funds on **Friday, 26th April** at 7.30pm. The Earn Singers will perform a wide range of music from Rodgers & Hammerstein to Folk. Light refreshments will be served in the interval. Tickets priced at £10 are available from Guild members or email the Church Office.

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

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 members 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 13th March 2024 Meeting

1. **Basis of Union:** aim for the legal document to be presented to respective May Kirk Sessions and then for congregational approval in June. Union from 1 January 2025.
2. **Joint Mission Statement:** proposal for respective May Kirk Sessions: *Worshipping God, Following Christ, Serving the Community*
3. **Kirk Session:** initial discussions exploring how best a united Session might operate to bring spiritual leadership and oversight.
4. **Ministry where no longer a worshipping presence:** consideration for a specific Kirk Session group to lead on the response to the communities of Glenfarg and Scotlandwell/ Kinnesswood. Ministry in the form of regular worship in a hall and/or ministry through linking to local community events.
5. **Finance:** the Treasurers outlined the many actions taken ready to unite funds and processes, scrutinised by respective Finance committees.
6. **Next Vision Group meeting:** 17 April. Reviewing feedback; preparation of proposals for May Kirk Sessions; review of Pastoral report and operation of a joint membership roll.
7. **Feedback:** please continue to respond as this helps formulate ideas: speak with a minister or contact office@kinrossparishchurch.org or orwellandportmoakchurch@gmail.com

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH:

Palm Sunday: Churches across the Presbytery of Perth are encouraging their members to **invite a friend to church on Palm Sunday, 24th March**: "Although we welcome everyone to our churches any Sunday a special invitation is given for this year's Palm Sunday". Our Kirk Session has supported this initiative for our own congregation.

Revd. Alan Reid: Our minister is the most recent of those in the new Presbytery of Perth to be filmed talking about some aspect of their church's life – in our case, the importance of ministry by the whole congregation. Watch it at: <https://fb.watch/qJlsKKBG-Sj/>

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

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**NEWS FROM THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND:**

**NEW: Voter Registration:** The Church of Scotland is backing a campaign to encourage people to sign up to vote in the next General Election. The Voter Registration Champions scheme is also backed by the Baptist Union, Methodist Church, and United Reformed Church. Emma Jackson, convener of the Church of Scotland's 'Public Life and Social Justice Group' has welcomed the initiative, which has been set up by the community organiser group, Citizens UK. The Electoral Commission has warned that 8 million eligible voters might not register in time and 4 million might not have appropriate photo id.

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**We believe in a God who hears and answers prayer.**

**Prayer Points for the week commencing Palm Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for all who will be coming along to church this morning in Kinross and across the Presbytery in response to an invitation from a friend or family member that they may receive a warm welcome and a thought-provoking message.

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup>:** Remember before God today someone you know is struggling in life and pray that they may know the presence of Jesus by their side today.

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>:** In this Holy Week, pray for a powerful movement of the Holy Spirit that will make the Gospel message real for millions of people.

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for children and young people and their families, and also for school staff as the holidays draw near. Ask God's blessing particularly for those with exams this year.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>:** As we break bread and share a cup of wine with all God's people this evening, pray for a sense of communion amongst all who are in Christ throughout time and around the world.

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup>:** As people across the whole world pause today to remember the Cross and the One who gave His life for us there, pray that as Christ is lifted in worship and witness many may be drawn to Him this Easter.

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>:** Give thanks that neither death nor life nor anything else in all creation can separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Amen**