Worshipping God
Following Christ
Serving the Community

Kinross-shire Parish Church

Ministers: Revd. Alex Johnson & Revd. Alan Reid; Ministry Associate: Monica Mochar

Intimations: *Sunday, 22nd November 2026*

A very warm welcome to Kinross-shire Parish Church of Scotland

Here are the weekly calendar and notices. For any queries, please email the Parish Office at Kinross Church or leave a voice message. Gatherings on Zoom – please contact the Parish Office for information and link details. **office@kinrossparishchurch.org | 01577 862570**
Orwell Church Office, South Street, Milnathort is open 10am – Noon Monday to Friday

Websites: Cleish & Fossoway | Kinross | Orwell & Portmoak

YouTube: Fossoway Church | Kinross Church | Orwell Church

Facebook: Fossoway Church | Orwell Church | Kinross Church | **Instagram** kpcscotland

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CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK:

All our churches have children's activities during the service and refreshments afterwards. Fossoway and Kinross services are broadcast live; Orwell service is recorded

Today, Sunday, 22nd November:
9.00am: Choir Practice in **Fossoway Church**
9:15am: Choir Practice in **Kinross Church**
9.30am: Morning Worship in **Fossoway Church** led by Revd. Alex Johnson
10.30am: Morning Worship in **Kinross Church**, led by Irene McFarlane. Matthew 25:31-46 'The Sheep and the Goats.' Fairtrade stall after the service
11.00am: Morning Worship, in **Orwell Church** led by Revd. Alex Johnson
6.00pm: NB: **NO** Time for Prayer on Zoom this week
6.00–7.30pm: Crossfire in **Kinross Church Centre** for P7–S6

Monday, 23rd November:
10.00am–Noon: Parish Office in **Kinross Church NOT** open to visitors. Operating remotely
1.45pm: Bridge & Board Games in **Kinross Church.** All welcome
2.00pm: Finance Team meeting in **Orwell Church**
7.30pm: Monday House Group
7.30pm: Adult Dungeons & Dragons in **Kinross Church**

Tuesday, 24th November:
10.00am: Stepping Stones in **Kinross Church** for babies & toddlers and their parents & carers
2.00pm: Tuesday Afternoon House Group
7.30pm: Worship & Discipleship Team meeting in **Elizabeth Wilkie Hall, Fossoway Church**

Wednesday, 25th November:
11.15am: Midweek Service at **Kinross Church Centre** led by Rosemary Johnston. All welcome
Noon: Deadline for the Intimations. Send to kpcnotices@gmail.com and office@kinrossparishchurch.org
1.30pm: Craft Group in **Kinross Church**
7.30pm: Men's House Group at **Kinross Church**: Matthew's Gospel
7.30pm: Kirk Session Meeting with the Presbytery's Vacancy Advisory Committee in **Kinross Church**
8.00pm: Women's Wednesday House Group

Thursday, 26th November:
10.30am: Thursday morning House Group
11.00am: Table Talk on Zoom
2.00–4.00pm: Refresh Café – fellowship, a cuppa & home-baking, **Elizabeth Wilkie Hall, Fossoway Church**
6.00–7.30pm: Crook Youth Group KYTHE drop-in at **Elizabeth Wilkie Hall, Fossoway Church**
7:30pm: Fossoway House Group
8.00pm: Young Mums' House Group on Zoom

Friday, 27th November:
9.30–11.30am: Fossoway Parents and Toddlers Group in **Elizabeth Wilkie Hall, Fossoway Church**
10.00am–Noon: Parish Office in **Kinross Church NOT** open to visitors. Operating remotely
5.30pm: Youth Dungeons & Dragons in **Kinross Church**
Boys' Brigade & Girls Association in **Kinross Church Centre**:
6.00–7.15pm: Anchor Section P1, 2 & 3. 7.00–9.00pm: Junior Section P4, 5 & 6
7.00–9.30pm: Company Section P7–S3. 7.00–9.30pm: Senior Section S4, 5 & 6

Saturday, 28th November:
10.00am-3.00pm: Please support Kinross-shire Parish Church and KYTHE at KLEO's Festive Market at the Community Campus today
4.00-6.00pm: Messy Church at **Orwell Church**

Next Sunday, 29th November: First Sunday in Advent:
9.00am: Choir Practice in **Fossoway Church**
9:15am: Choir Practice in **Kinross Church**
9.30am: Morning Worship in **Fossoway Church** led by Revd. Alex Johnson
10.30am: Morning Worship at **Kinross Church** led by Revd. Alan Reid. Luke 1:26-38 – 'May it be to me.' Children's activities during the service. Refreshments, Debrecen bake sale & Fairtrade stall after the service.
11.00am: Morning Worship, in **Orwell Church** led by Revd. Alex Johnson
3.00pm: Monthly service at Portmoak: Service of hymns and readings for Advent Sunday.
6.00pm: Time for Prayer on Zoom
6.00–7.30pm: Crossfire in **Kinross Church Centre** for P7–S6
7.00pm: Sunday@7. Contemporary, informal worship for all ages in **Kinross Church.** All welcome

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KINROSS-SHIRE PARISH CHURCH: DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fairtrade Christmas: 'If you are looking for the perfect Christmas gift, please look at the Fairtrade stall. There's lots to choose from and we're happy to make up hampers with Fairtrade goodies and have them beautifully wrapped ready to give as a lovely present. Christmas cards and Advent candles are now available as well as our usual stock. Fairtrade stalls will be available after services at **Kinross** today **22nd** and **29th November** and at **Fossoway** on **6th December**.' Thank you, the Fairtrade Team

Donations for KYTHE: KYTHE will be at the Festive Market on **Saturday, 28th November** and to celebrate our funding from Children in Need, Pudsey Bear will be joining us at our stall. Alongside the opportunity to meet Pudsey, visitors can take part in a "Guess the Birthday" competition and our ever-popular Chocolate Tombola. However, we need your help to ensure we have enough chocolate for all those who attend. Any donations of chocolate/chocolate products like biscuits will be gratefully accepted. These can be brought along to church and given to Fiona/Lynn/Jaffrey at Kinross; Annika at Fossoway and Cara at Orwell. Many thanks, Fiona E.

Debrecen Bake Sale: Join us after the Sunday service at **Kinross Church** on **Sunday, 29th November** for a selection of delicious home baking! All proceeds, together with any additional donations, will go towards supporting the 2027 trip to our partner church in Debrecen, Hungary. Please come along, enjoy some homemade treats and help us support this worthwhile cause. Your support would be very much appreciated! Thank you! The Debrecen team

NEW: Jingle & Mingle: Wednesday, 2nd December. 3.30–4.30pm in Glenfarg Community Centre – an all-age event to bring in the season of Advent. We'll have lots of Christmas carols, a short story and a Bible reading – with warm drinks and mince pies. This is after primary school so that children and their parents/ carers/grandparents can come along as well. Everyone welcome. Any questions, please speak to Monica Mochar (Ministry Associate) or send her an email: ministryassociate.kspc@gmail.com

NEW: Fossoway Film Evening: Join us for a Christmas Classic – *White Christmas* – cert U. on **Friday, 4th December** at 7.30pm, in the **Elizabeth Wilkie Hall, Fossoway Church.** A donation of £5 is welcomed which includes refreshment and a mince pie. Well, it *is* December!!!

NEW: Kinross Church Flower Group Christmas Coffee Morning: Saturday, 5th December from 9.30am–12.30pm. With a Fairtrade stall, as well as local makers, Goosetown Pottery, About Thyme (wreaths and table decorations), The Aromatic Box, and our own Kinross Church Craft Group, this is an event not to be missed!

NEW: A Sacred Space for Advent: Thursday, 10th December, at 3.00–4.30pm in Orwell Church and 7.00–8.30pm in Kinross Church – a chance to pause, pray, and make room for God amid the busy advent season. This will be a quiet, reflective group which helps us to hear the voice of God – the still small voice of calm. There will be tea and coffee on arrival and with a start of 3.20pm or 7.20pm. These are parish-wide events with a choice of two times, so please come to whichever time you prefer, wherever you are in the parish. Any questions, please speak to Monica Mochar (Ministry Associate) or email: ministryassociate.kspc@gmail.com

'Proclaim it Clearly' – Vocal Training Workshop: Kinross-shire Parish Church is organising a vocal training workshop for anyone in the Presbyteries of Perth and Fife who reads, preaches or leads prayers in church, or would like to do so. This will take place on **Saturday, 20th February** (**NB** not 21st. November as previously proposed). Led by Ishbel McF (performer, preacher and PhD researcher in Theology). Further details to follow, including venue in Kinross-shire. Register your interest now at office@kinrossparishchurch.org

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NEWS FROM THE KIRK

NEW: Message from Graeme Paterson (aka The Editor!): Unusually, I had some "Technical Difficulties" last Sunday (15th November) when I returned to Church, so I have decided to publish the whole text of what I was *trying* to say!
"Good morning! After 180 very long days in hospital, I'm back! I would like to thank those of you who have kept me in your prayers over the last six months. I have been very, very unwell with necrotising pancreatitis. Euan and my parents were told at one point, 'the next ten minutes are critical!' I wasn't told that until I was safely out of the danger zone… I pulled through, thank God, and I am here to tell the tale! Regarding the Intimations, Normal Service will resume on Monday morning! Grateful thanks are also due to Gordon McF and Alice G for covering my editorial duties whilst I was in Ninewells, and most importantly, Euan and I would like to thank Sylvia S for her help beating the Social Work department to a pulp and getting me home on Thursday, 12th November. Without you, Sylvia, I would still be festering in Ninewells. These flowers are for you Sylvia. Thank you very, very much!"

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NEWS FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF PERTH

Presbytery YouTube Channel: Includes episodes of Presbytery Worship online click here
Presbytery Website: https://perthpresbytery.org.uk
Presbytery Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/presbytery_of_perth
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NEWS FROM THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Revd. Jill Clancy Nominated as Moderator: Revd. Jill Clancy, who works as a chaplain at HMP Barlinnie, has been nominated to succeed the current Moderator, Rt. Revd. Gordon Kennedy, at the General Assembly in May 2027. Jill is the first non-military chaplain to be nominated for the role and would become only the seventh female Moderator in the 466-year history of the Church of Scotland. She has worked as a prison chaplain for nine years and was previously a parish minister in Gourock, Glasgow and her native Ayrshire, where she now lives with her husband Frank.

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Pastoral Emergencies: Contact Alan Reid at areid@churchofscotland.org.uk / 01577 862952 or Alex Johnson at ajohnson@churchofscotland.org.uk / 07496 214189.

Pastoral Support: For all the Congregation and Elders: Please inform a Minister, the Session Clerk or the Parish Office (office@kinrossparishchurch.org) of people who are unwell, in hospital or indeed feel that they wish a pastoral visit. Information will be treated confidentially.

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Read any policy documents, e.g. Safeguarding and Whistleblowing, on the Church website

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KINROSS-SHIRE PARISH CHURCH: On 1st January 2025, Arngask, Cleish, Fossoway, Kinross, Orwell & Portmoak became the parish of Kinross-shire. There is a team of two ministers and a ministry associate with three worship centres. Revd Alan Reid usually leads worship at Kinross and Revd Alex Johnson at Fossoway and Orwell. Ministry Associate Monica Mochar works Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
Fossoway Church, Crook of Devon KY13 0UY, Sunday service 9.30am | **Kinross Church**, Kinross KY13 8TG, Sunday service 10.30am | **Orwell Church**, Milnathort KY13 9YQ, Sunday service 11am
In addition, a worship service is held on the last Sunday of the month at **Portmoak Church, KY13 9HY** at 6.30pm and on the first Sunday of the month at 2.30pm at **Cleish Church, KY13 0LR**.

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Contacts: PLEASE GET IN TOUCH BY TELEPHONE, THROUGH THE CHURCH OFFICE OR VIA THE CONTACTS PAGE ON THE CHURCH WEBSITE
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We believe in a God who hears and answers prayer.

Why not print this page and use it during the week?

Prayer Points for The Coming Week:

Sunday 22nd November: As we seek to enthrone Christ as Lord of our lives and of the church, pray that we may be attentive to His call to do for the least what we would do for Him.

Monday 23rd: Pray today for Ruth Jack in her work with Mission Aviation Fellowship across Africa from her base in Uganda and ask God's blessing on every flight that takes place today and all involved in the air and on the ground.

Tuesday 24th: Remember Lorna Ferguson serving with the Overseas Missionary Fellowship Japan as she settles in to her new work in Sakata supporting the local church in reaching the younger generation.

Wednesday 25th: Keep in your prayers our partner church in Mombwe in Malawi and pray for a good harvest amid the challenges brought about by climate change.

Thursday 26th: Uphold the congregation of our partner church in Debrecen in Hungary and pray especially for the planning of next year's Scottish Camp there.

Friday 27th: Pray for contacts that will be made with members of the wider community through the church's stall at the Christmas Market tomorrow.

Saturday 28th: Creator of the world, you are the potter, we are the clay, and you form us in your image. Shape our spirits by Christ's transforming power, that as one people we may live out your compassion and justice, whole and sound in the realm of your peace.

Amen