

Minister: Revd. Alan D. Reid M.A. B.D
Intimations: Epiphany Sunday, 12th 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, 12th January: Epiphany Sunday

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship. Luke 3:15-22: The Baptism of Jesus. Baptism of Adelaide. Activities for children during the service. Tea, coffee & Fairtrade stall after worship.

3.00pm: Service of Induction of Revd. Andrea Price at Dalgety Bay Church. All Welcome.

6.00pm: Prayer Time on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire in the Church Centre

7.00pm: Sunday@7, short, informal service of contemporary worship & bite-size Bible teaching in the Church

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

Monday, 13th January:

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open

1.45pm: Bridge & Board Games in the Church

7.30pm: Adult Dungeons & Dragons in the Church

7.30pm: Monday House-group

Tuesday, 14th January:

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

2.00pm: Tuesday House-group

Wednesday, 15th January:

11.15am: Midweek Service in the Church Centre led by Irene McFarlane

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, beginning the Reframe Course looking at how the Gospel reframes all of life. New members welcome.

8.00pm: Women's House-group

Thursday, 16th January:

10.30am: Thursday House-group

11.00am: Table Talk on Zoom

7.00pm: Presbytery of Perth Special Purpose Meeting reviewing the Presbytery Mission Plan

8.00pm: Young Mums' House-group on Zoom

9.00pm: Late Evening service of Compline in the Church

Friday, 17th January: Minister's Day Off

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open

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, 18th January:

11.00am: All Friends Together in the Church

Next Sunday, 19th January:

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning 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 in the Church Centre

Monday, 20th January:

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open

1.45pm: Bridge & Board Games in the Church

7.30pm: Monday House-group

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 | Locum 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 Session Clerks 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

NEW: 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.

2025 Year of Listening

**7pm,
Thursday 30th January
at Kinross Church**

Practically unpacking
what it means to listen to God.

Contact:
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GROUPS' RETURN DATES

Choir: Reconvenes: **Sunday, 12th January**

Bridge & Games: Reconvened: **Monday, 6th January**

Monday House-group: Reconvened: **Monday, 6th January**

Stepping Stones: Reconvenes: **Tuesday, 14th January**

Tuesday House-group: Reconvenes: **Tuesday, 14th January**

Craft Group: Reconvened: **Wednesday, 8th January**

Wednesday House-group (Men): Reconvenes: **Wednesday, 15th January**

Wednesday House-group (Women): Reconvenes: **Wednesday, 15th January**

Thursday House-group: Reconvenes: **Thursday, 16th January**

Table Talk: Reconvened: **Thursday, 9th January on Zoom**

Young Mums' House-group: Reconvened: **Thursday, 9th January on Zoom**

Boys' Brigade & Girls Association: Reconvened: **Friday, 10th January**

Crossfire: Reconvenes: **Sunday 19th January**

Sunday@7: Reconvenes: **Sunday, 12th January**

“Let’s Sing!”: Reconvenes: **Sunday, 8th February**

Dungeons & Dragons: Adult: Reconvenes: **13th January** | **Youth:** Reconvened: **10th January**

Guild: Reconvenes: **March 2025**

All Friends Together: Reconvenes: **Saturday, 18th January**

Messy Church: Reconvenes: **25th January at Orwell Church**

VOLUNTEER VACANCIES:

NEW: 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 11.20am and would be finished by 11.45am, 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 Kathleen, Isobel or contact the Office. This job is much appreciated by the Stepping Stones team.

NEWS:

Stamp Appeal: Bring your used stamps to the church for the Church of Scotland stamp appeal, which is supporting 'Firmly Planted', an Agri-forestry project in Malawi, led by local churches. Please leave a border of at least 1/4 inch/ 5 mm. Leave your stamps in the 'Stamp Appeal' tins in the church's vestibule or kitchen.

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH:

NEW: 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

NEW: Save the Date - The Inspiration Orchestra Festival 2025: Musician and song writer Ian White led a packed community carol event in our church on 20th December with members of the Perth-based Inspiration Orchestra. The orchestra is 'to enable disabled people to play beautiful music.' The 2025 festival will be on **Saturday, 24th May 2025**. Flyers are available in the vestibule.

NEW: Mission Plan Updates: The Presbytery Mission Plan is going through its annual revision, and the update is due to be considered at a meeting of the Presbytery on **Thursday, 16th January**. The section on Kinross-shire takes account of our move to union at the start of this year. The Plan continues to be implemented apace, with the Presbytery having met on Thursday, 9th January in Kinross Church to launch the new Kinross-shire Parish, and with further meetings on **Tuesday, 21st January** to mark the union of five existing congregations in north-west Dundee, and on **Thursday, 23rd January** to mark the linkage of Balfon 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](https://www.facebook.com/presbytery.of.perth). Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/presbytery_of_perth

NEWS FROM THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND:

NEW: Greetings: In his Christmas message the Moderator of the General Assembly, the Rt Rev Dr Shaw Paterson, extended "warm Christmas greetings to one and all." He said: "Jesus brought into our world hope, peace, joy and love – represented by the candles lit on the four Sundays of Advent. As we look around us, as we see the difficulties and tensions, the conflicts and wars, as we see the needs that exist all around us, this world of ours needs to experience those gifts of God: hope, peace, joy and love."

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

This photograph of the joint congregations was taken on Sunday, 5th January at Fossoway Church by Rob Packham.



**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 12th January 2025](#)

Sunday, 12th: Pray for Adelaide as she is baptised today, for her family and for the whole church family as we are reminded of our own baptism and of God's call on our lives.

Monday, 13th: Pray for house-groups starting up again for the new year and ask God to help all involved to grow in faith through these times of fellowship.

Tuesday, 14th: Pray for all involved with Stepping Stones as they begin to meet again after the festive break and ask God to deepen relationships between the leaders and those who attend.

Wednesday, 15th: Pray that the involvement that Alan and Alex have with school assemblies at the Primary and High Schools will bear lasting fruit.

Thursday, 16th: Ask God's blessing on all involved in the annual review of the Presbytery Mission Plan and for the Presbytery meeting tonight when it will be debated. Pray also for those churches like our own who are now moving forward in new ways.

Friday, 17th: Give thanks for all the young people involved in Crossfire, the Brigade, Dungeons & Dragons and Sunday@7 that many may choose to follow Christ.

Saturday, 18th: Lift before God the work of KYTHE as the annual vision day is held today. Pray for the appointment of a new Head of Youth Work to replace Barry Dougall and for progress towards the appointment of a Youth Minister.

Amen