

Minister: Revd. Alan D. Reid M.A. B.D
Intimations: Sunday, 16th March 2025

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

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, 16th March: Second Sunday in Lent

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship. Kinross BB 85th Anniversary. Luke 13:31-35: A Hen Gathering her Brood
Children's activities during the service. Tea, coffee and Fairtrade stall following the service

2.30pm for 3.00pm: Let's Sing, in Church Centre

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, 17th March:

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

11.00am: Funeral of Evelyn Chambers in the Church

1.45pm: Bridge and Board Games in the Church

7.30pm: Monday House-group

Tuesday, 18th March:

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

2.00pm: Lent Study 'Three Little Words' in **Fossoway Church Hall**

2.00pm: Tuesday House-group

7.00pm: Guild – AGM and 'At Home', in the Church Centre

Wednesday, 19th March:

11.15am: Midweek Service in the Church Centre, led by Brenda Fraser. All welcome

12 Noon: Deadline for the Intimations kpcnotices@gmail.com

1.30pm: Craft Group in the Church

7.30pm: Kirk Session Meeting 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, 20th March:

10.30am: Thursday House-group

11.00am: Table Talk on Zoom

2.00pm: Refresh Café offering fellowship, a cuppa and home-baking in **Fossoway Church Hall**

7.45pm: Year of Listening Project in the Church Meeting Room (note later time)

8.00pm: Young Mums' House-group on Zoom

9.00pm: Time for Prayer: the late-evening service of Compline, in the Church

Friday, 21st March: Minister's Day Off

9.30-11.30am: Parents and Toddlers Group in **Fossoway Church Hall**

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

5.30pm: Youth Dungeons and Dragons in the Church

1st Kinross Boys' Brigade and 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, 23rd March: Third Sunday in Lent

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship. Luke 13:1-9: The Parable of the Fig Tree

Children's activities during the service. Tea, coffee and Fairtrade stall following the service

6.00pm: Time for Prayer gathering on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire youth group in the Church Centre

7.00pm: Sunday@7 in the Church

Pastoral Intimation:

Congregation and Elders: Please inform the Minister (areid@churchofscotland.org.uk), Session Clerk, or Kinross Church 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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

NEW: Voting Roll: With voting soon on the formation of a Vacancy Committee for the second full-time minister for Kinross-shire Parish Church, the Kirk Session meets on **Wednesday 19th March** to attest the roll of members and adherents, as formally intimated at recent Sunday services. Contact the office or the Session Clerk if you wish to be added to the roll.

NEW DETAILS: Year of Listening Project: practically unpacking what it means to listen to God. Come and join the Listening Project at 7.45pm on **Thursday 20th March** in Kinross Church. This month's session will explore praying through the day using the Monastic Offices. Alan Reid will lead us this month and the later start time of 7.45pm is to allow us to join in with Compline at 9pm. If you want further information about the Listening Project, contact Alex on ajohnson@churchofscotland.org.uk

NEW: Bruce Davies Concert: Alex Cant of Kinross-shire Parish Church has kindly organised a concert with profits going to KYTHE. Acclaimed Scottish Songwriter and Musician Bruce Davies will be playing at Orwell Church on **Friday 4th April** at 7.30pm. More information about Bruce who is celebrating 40 years of acoustic music can be found here - [Bruce Davies](#) Tickets are £10 with accompanied children admitted free, available at Fossoway Store, Orwell Church Office, Celebrations in Kinross High Street, or on the door. A massive thank you to Alex and Kinross-shire Parish Church for thinking of KYTHE! Hope to see you on the night!

NEW: Coffee Morning: Following the very successful coffee morning last Saturday, hosted by the FairTrade team, the Flower Group will be hosting a Coffee Morning on **Saturday 5th April** 10am-12 noon in the Church Centre. There will also be stalls featuring local makers. More details to follow. Look forward to seeing you –
Anne

NEW: Table Talk: Table Talk will be taking a break over the Easter period. There will be no meeting from 27th March to 17th April, resuming on **Thursday 24th April** at 11am.

2025 Dates for Messy Church at Orwell Church:

From 4 to 6pm: 29th March, 26th April, 31st May and 21st June.

Guild Syllabus from March 2025:

March 18th: AGM & "At Home"

April: 1st CrossReach: Playful beginnings, supporting children with additional support needs and parents struggling with the early years of parenthood to have the support they need for a positive start. Special Offering for this Guild Project. **15th Perth Museum** – Anna Zwagerman

All meetings start at 7pm in the Lower Hall of the Kinross Church Centre, guests are always welcome.

VOLUNTEER VACANCIES:

NEW: Volunteers sought for Youth Café: Our Sunday Evening (6–7.30pm) Crossfire youth club is changing as we seek to reach out to young people in our community. For the last month, we have been trialling a youth café and we are consistently welcoming around 18 young people in to the Church Centre every week. To sustain this ministry, we urgently need more volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Alex Johnson (ajohnson@churchofscotland.org.uk).

Volunteers sought for new Kinross-shire Parish Church magazine: Would you like to be part of a team launching a new quarterly print and digital magazine? Come and be part of the development of this important membership and outreach tool! Please speak with Alice or contact via the Church Office.

Volunteers sought for Family Week 2025: We are looking for volunteers for this year's Family Week (4th–8th August). If you have a few hours to spare and can help with any support roles including group work, drama, craft, serving refreshments or if you can drive a minibus, we would love to hear from you. PVG checks will be required for those working with children and young people. Please contact Ruth or the Church Office.

NEWS:

NEW: Choir: Congratulations to our choir under conductor Isobel and accompanist Margaret for their success this week when competing for the Church Choir cup at 'Perform in Perth'. The choir not only won this cup for the second year, but also achieved an 'Honours' certificate.

NEW: Fairtrade: Last Saturday's Fairtrade Coffee Morning raised £200 for Transform Trade, sold over £200 of 'True Origin Food' from the stall, and raised money for the proposed trip to our partner church in Debrecen, Hungary.

Offerings by Bank Transfer:

A note to update/clarify for all who make your monthly offerings by bank transfer:

- Members of the former Kinross Parish Church – no change
- Members of the former O&P, Cleish and Fossoway – please change your standing order. Details available from Alan McG or contact the Kinross Church Office.
- All previous gift-aid declarations need not be updated – but if you have never had one, is now a good time to do so? Ask Alan McG for the form or contact the Kinross Church Office.

Many thanks, Alan (former treasurer KPC)

Responses: Alex Johnson has submitted the responses from the congregation to the Bible reading on 2nd March [here](#).

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH:

NEW: Finance Officer Sought: Presbytery is seeking to appoint a full-time Finance Officer. Applications close on 31st. March. Details from Presbytery.

NEW: Highland Perthshire: Major changes to parishes in Highland Perthshire were marked by a service led by the Presbytery at Kinloch Rannoch this week when the Union of Braes of Rannoch and Foss and Rannoch was celebrated. As part of the same service, the congregations of Fortingall, Glenlyon, Kenmore and Lawers were linked to the new union. Our minister Rev Alan Reid, as Moderator of the Presbytery this year, led this service and also, earlier in the week, the Presbytery Service to induct the Rev Adeaze Goziem-Ibonye as the new minister at Tullibody in Clackmannanshire.

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: Apprenticeship Route to Ministry: Following agreement at last year’s General Assembly, the Church of Scotland has now launched its new apprenticeship route towards Ministry. Aimed usually at those between 18–40, the apprenticeships last for 2years with a salary of £21,000. Details from Church of Scotland.

Prayer for Ukraine: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Shaw Paterson, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, has issued a prayer for Ukraine to be found at <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/articles/a-prayer-for-ukraine>

He said: "We lament the continuing loss of life in Ukraine and call for a just and enduring end to the conflict. We pray for the end of war and the flourishing of peace amongst all nations and peoples."

Visit the Church of Scotland website: [The Church of Scotland](#).

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 AT THE WEEKEND, 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](#)

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 | 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](#).

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 16th March 2025

Sunday 16th – Give thanks for all who gather each month for Let's Sing and pray especially for those who struggle with memory loss or dementia that they may live life to the fullest of their capacity.

Monday 17th – Pray today for all who have been recently bereaved and ask God's comfort and peace for them at this time.

Tuesday 18th – Give thanks for those who gather for Stepping Stones in Kinross on Tuesday mornings and for the Baby and Toddler group at Fossoway Church on Friday mornings.

Wednesday 19th – Pray for the elders of the united church as they meet this evening to shape arrangements for the filling of the vacancy for the second full-time minister and pray that the person of God's choosing will be found to support us in our mission.

Thursday 20th – Give thanks for all that Alex Johnson is learning and accomplishing among us and pray for all involved as the interim review of his probationary period takes place today.

Friday 21st – Continue to pray for all situations of conflict around the globe, asking for peace for all those caught in the midst of war and protection for the most vulnerable.

Saturday 22nd – God of infinite goodness, throughout the ages you have persevered in claiming and reclaiming your people. Renew for us your call to repentance, surround us with witnesses to aid us in our journey, and grant us the time to fashion our lives anew, through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen