



The Church of Scotland In North Kintyre

**Mid Kintyre and Gigha
Linked with
Tarbert Loch Fyne and Kilberry**

Church Chat



**Some of our Elders from both Kirk Sessions
out to lunch recently at West Loch House**

**Please Note:
5th Sunday Joint Service 30th March
Clachan Church at 10.30am**

CC 101 March 2025

From the Minister: Lent

Lent is a little later this year beginning on 5th March. I am not going to suggest a lent book, as last years was so bad, however, I am going to suggest that we all read the Gospel of Luke which has 24 chapters. I am also going to suggest that you read 2 different versions, you hopefully have one at home but you may need to find another. If you can, go online using www.biblegateway.com as they have a large choice of versions to choose from.

If you need to borrow one from the church please do so or ask and I can give you a spare copy of a version you may not have. If you use the King James then try the Message, if you use the NIV try the Good News. At our bible studies we have been reading 5 or 6 different versions and found it really interesting to see how different interpreters have chosen different words and sometimes completely different sentences. This makes the bible come alive and opens us to different thoughts and understandings.

Lent is an opportunity to revisit the life and mission of Jesus as told through a Gospel. Reading the story from birth to death to resurrection reminds us of the wonderful mystery of God incarnate and just how much God loves us and desires a relationship with us. The whole bible tells stories of how God engages with the people of God throughout history. God is still engaging with us in the present and still desires a relationship. God's love for us never changes, it is always there and when we choose we can accept it and allow God to change us into the people we were made to be.

May these weeks of Lent give you time to hear and see again the love of God revealed through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus and may it reignite your love for our amazing God.

May the Peace of Christ be with you all.

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Kirk Session Meetings

Tarbert Loch Fyne and Kilberry:

Sunday 9th March after the service

Mid Kintyre and Gigha: Sunday 2nd March at 1pm in Clachan

Worship Rotas

Worship Rota March 2025

Sunday Worship	10am Skipness	11.30am Tarbert	10am Clachan	11.30am A'Chleit	12pm Gigha
2nd March	James McLellan	James McLellan	Rev Lyn Peden	Rev Lyn Peden	No service
9th March	Rev Lyn Peden	Rev Lyn Peden	No service	No service	Marion MacDonald
16th March Lyn on Holiday	Jim Malcolm	Jim Malcolm	Marion MacDonald	Marion MacDonald	No service
23th March	Songs of praise	Songs of praise	No service	No service	Rev Lyn Peden
30th March	Joint Service	Joint Service To be confirmed	Rev Lyn Peden 10.30am	Joint Service	Joint Service

Worship Rota April 2025

Sunday Worship	10am Skipness	11.30am Tarbert	10am Clachan	11.30am A'Chleit	12pm Gigha
6th April	James McLellan	James McLellan	Rev Lyn Peden	Rev Lyn Peden	No service
13th April PALM SUNDAY	Rev Lyn Peden	Rev Lyn Peden	No service	No service	11.30am Zoom with Tarbert To be Confirmed
20th April EASTER	Joint service A'Chleit	Joint service A'Chleit To be confirmed	Joint service A'Chleit	Rev Lyn Peden 9am beach and 10.30am	Joint service A'Chleit
27th April	Robert MacLeod	Robert MacLeod	No service	No service	Rev Lyn Peden

Please note some dates are still to be confirmed

What's happening in our area in March?

Monday 3 rd at 2.30pm	Tarbert Church Hall – Guild Jacqui Barker – Chair Exercises
Wednesday 5 th Ash Wednesday anytime	Labyrinth, Clachan weather dependent come and walk the labyrinth and remember that you are dust, God's dust!
Thursday 6 th at 10am	Tricia's house, Clachan Prayer Shawl Group
Friday 7 th at 1.30pm	World Day of Prayer A'Chleit Church (please wear something flowery)
Tuesday 11 th at 7pm	Cleir Eilean I: Presbytery Meeting On zoom
Monday 17 th at 2.30pm	Tarbert Church Hall – Guild Sue Thomas – Crafting Boxes
Thursday 27 th at 11am	Glenbarr Hall Brew and Blether
Sunday 30 th March Mother's Day Clocks Spring forward	Joint Service in Clachan at 10.30am Followed by refreshments

Killean & Kilchenzie Rotas

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Door</u>	<u>Flowers</u>
2 nd Mar	<i>Gordon Caskie & Margaret Littleson</i>	<i>Trisha Fair</i>
16 th Mar	<i>Albie Roberts & Pat Rawson</i>	<i>Kate McKinlay</i>
6 th Apr	<i>Anne Littleson & Jessie MacDougall</i>	<i>J. Hamilton</i>
20 th April	<i>Calum Morrison & Margaret Sinclair</i>	<i>Margaret Littleson</i>

*Thank you to those who have agreed to provide flowers and to do Door Duty.
If you are unable to do door duty please arrange to swap with someone else.*

Kilcalmonell Rotas

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Door , Flowers , Teas & Coffee, Cleaning</u>
2 nd Mar	<i>Pauline & Peter Simson</i>
16 th Mar	<i>Pauline & Peter Simson</i>
6 th Apr	<i>Cathy MacLean & Tricia Roussell-Weeks</i>
20 th Apr	<i>Cathy MacLean & Tricia Roussell-Weeks</i>

Property Report

March 2025

Gigha Church

The revised Bill of Savings and work plan has been signed by the contractor and the form asking permission to proceed with the proposed works has been completed and sent off to Presbytery.

Clachan Church

Although there are no planned works in Clachan at the present time, Barrie continues to do an excellent job of routine maintenance and repair within the Church and grounds.

Skipness Church

The electrical repairs have now been completed.

A'Chleit Church and Hall

Bowman Stewart has carried out a survey of the roof space above the main sanctuary. We await the results of this before agreeing a programme of repair.

Tarbert Manse

A quote of £6,500 has been received for the new bathroom. This will be eligible for an 80% grant leaving £750 approx. to be paid by both congregations. Works will be undertaken later this month.

Anne Littleson
Property Convener

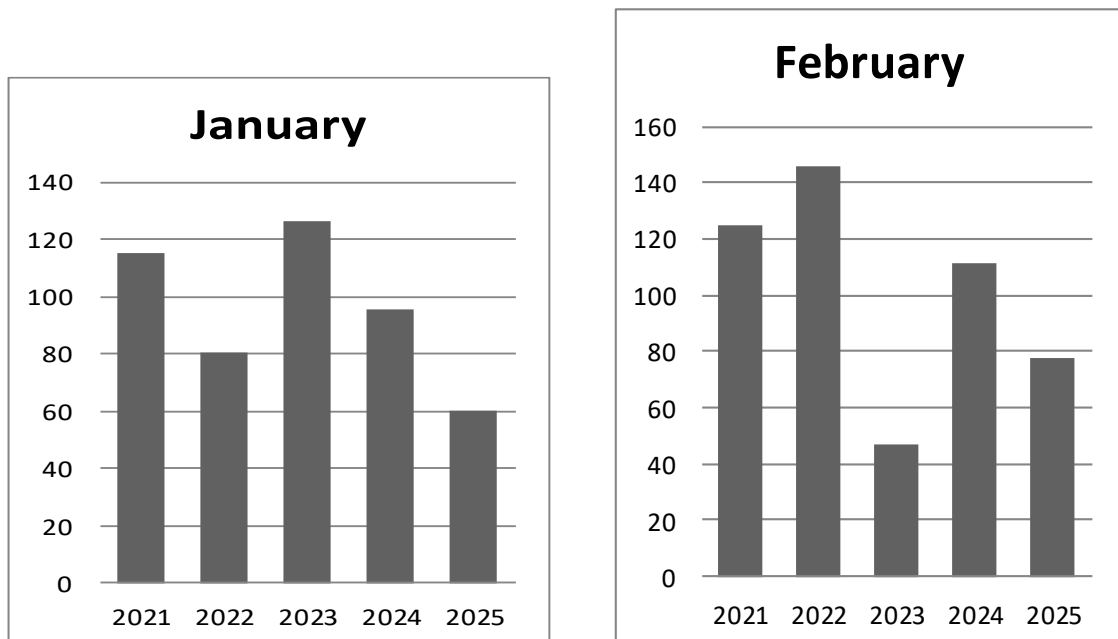
School Holidays

April Close Friday 4th April 2025
 Open Tuesday 22nd April 2025

RAINFALL FIGURES: *from Peter Simson, Ronachan*

Now dance the lights on lawn and lea,
The flocks are whiter down the vale,
And milkier every milky sail
On winding stream or distant sea.

From "In Memoriam A.H.H." by Alfred, Lord Tennyson



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