Auchterderran Kinglassie Parish Church



Building at Kinglassie

Parish Profile

The Parish of Auchterderran Kinglassie is made up of two small neighbouring villages approximately 2 miles apart.

Although there is a church building in both villages the congregation became a Union in September, 2013.

Due to the retiral of our minister, the nominating committee of Auchterderran Kinglassie Parish Church is looking to call a minister of deep faith, who has vision and drive and is capable of inspiring and leading our friendly, supportive congregation.

The congregation is strong and loyal, looking with hope to their future direction.

The following profile has been prepared to provide information for candidates.



Cardenden

Cardenden is a village of approximately 5800 inhabitants. It is made up of four smaller communities: Auchterderran, Bowhill, Cardenden, and Dundonald - known locally as ABCD. The village was once at the centre of the coal industry in Fife, with Bowhill Colliery, Lady Helen Colliery and many smaller pits. All of which are now closed.



Kinglassie

The village of Kinglassie has a population of approximately 1800 inhabitants. It was also a mining community and the majority of housing was built for mining.

Housing now, in both villages, is a mixture of privately owned and socially rented properties, with plans for further development in the future.

Education

There are three interdenominational primary schools and one Roman Catholic primary school in the villages. Secondary pupils go to High Schools in Lochgelly or Glenrothes. Fife College in Kirkcaldy, Dunfermline and Glenrothes offer a wide variety of higher educational courses, both academic and vocational.





Blyth's Tower, Kinglassie

Recreation Facilities

The villages have excellent recreational facilities:

- 1 church hall (built 2009)
- S community halls
- I swimming pool
- 2 bowling greens
- I nine hole golf course
- football pitches
- Q 2 libraries







Auchterderran Hall

Leisure

There is a good community spirit in the villages, with well supported events. Several organised groups meet in the communities for various activities e.g walking, keep-fit, photography, youth clubs, dancing.

There are scenic rural walks and cycle tracks in local woodlands and nearby: around Loch Leven, the Lomonds and the Ochil Hills.



Transport

Cardenden and Kinglassie are within easy commuting distance of Edinburgh, Dundee and Perth.

There is a small station with regular train services to these cities, as well as excellent bus services and park & ride facilities. The nearby towns of Kirkcaldy, Glenrothes and Dunfermline are also readily accessible by bus.





Auchterderran

Auchterderran, which is a listed building, rests on a site which has had religious significance since the early 7th century. Once used as a resting place by the monks from Loch Leven on their road to the shores of the River Forth.

The original building of 1059 has disappeared, but the Kinninmonth family crypt at the rear was the original chancel. The present building was built in a T-shape in 1798, and enlarged in 1890. In 1931 the window from the 1059 chancel was placed into an extension to the north of the church and now displays two beautiful windows.



On the closure of St Fothad's Church, the St Fothad's Window was removed and is now placed within the Auchterderran building



Kinglassie

The Kinglassie building is L-shaped, built of stone, and is just over 230 years old. It was renovated in 1773. The west wing was funded by Mr Mitchell in 1890 and another 124 seats were added and opened in February 1891.

This addition was acknowledged by a circular stained glass window in the gable of the transept. There has been a church on the site since the early 12th century.

Manse

The Church Manse is situated opposite the Church in Cardenden. Originally built in the 1970s, the ground floor comprises a large hall, toilet, kitchen, study, large lounge and dining room. Upstairs there are 4 spacious bedrooms, family bathroom and ample cupboard space. All windows are double glazed.

We have struggled for some time with the fact that the Manse stood in large grounds, which have proved difficult to maintain, and when the Church went into vacancy, it was decided to take the opportunity to carry out extensive refurbishment to the property. Further, the overgrown grounds have been cleared, creating two building plots which will largely finance the upgrading of the Manse.

This work is currently ongoing. The home has been rewired throughout, with a new central heating system installed. Loft insulation and cavity wall insulation will be completed. A new bathroom and kitchen will be installed, and all rooms decorated to a high standard. Externally the roof and the roughcasting will be replaced (this work starts in May 2016), a new, separate garage is to be built, and a new entrance and drive will be installed for the property.



The Manse

WORSHIP



Services

There are two Sunday services each week:

- Auchterderran Building 10.00am
- Kinglassie Building 11.30 am

Communion is celebrated four times a year. Joint services and events are also held throughout the year.

Each year we take part in the World Day of Prayer. This is an ecumenical service and is shared with St Ninian's Roman Catholic Church. There is also a monthly meditation service held on a Tuesday evening.

Kirk Session

We operate a Unitary Constitution with a Kirk Session of 29 members, comprising of 16 female and 13 male members.

The current roll of the congregation is: 333 members + 18 adherents

Church Newsletter

Our Newsletter is produced quarterly, and is distributed by the Elders prior to Communion Services. The newsletter has regular articles from the church groups and and is issued with an invitation to Communion.

CHURCH GROUPS

Guild

This group consists of 15 members who enjoy a programme based on the current Guild theme, exploring issues with guest speakers covering a variety of topical subjects. These evenings are open to all members of the congregation and friends.

The Guild are a lively, hard working group who organise church fetes, coffee mornings and other events which raise large sums of money for the church.

The Guild meet fortnightly from September to March.





Sunday Club

Guild

There is a Sunday Club in each building where numbers fluctuate greatly, with, from around six to sixteen youngsters, between the ages of 2 and 11 years attending.

The children attend various family services throughout the year and perform the Nativity at Christmas.

A very successful Holiday Club is held annually during the school summer holidays and is attended by around 25 children each day.

Summer Holiday Club

Rainbows, Brownies and Guides

The Rainbows, Brownies and Guides meet weekly in the church hall, with a combined enrolment of 50 girls. The girls take part in a wide variety of activities and they also attend certain church services e.g Remembrance Sunday and Christmas Nativity.





Prayer House Group

There are two Prayer Promoters and a meeting is held monthly in one of the promoter's homes.

They also organise Prayer Workshops from time to time.

Auchterderran Kinglassie Singers

An enthusiastic group of singers meet weekly on a Tuesday evening in Auchterderran Hall. They consist of about 18 members and sing an introit each week before the Sunday S Service begins. They also perform shows in the church hall and external venues. The group enjoys friendship, fellowship and fun.



Church Accounts

for the year

Auchterderran Kinglassie Parish Church Receipts and Payments year ended 31st December 2015

	Unrestricted Funds 2015	Restricted Funds 2015	Endowment Funds 2015	Total 2015	Total 2014
<u>Receipts</u>		£	£		£
Donations	43843		5005	48848	57891
Legacies	1100			1100	
Activities for Generating Funds	6389			6389	7849
Bank & Deposit Interest	15			15	9
Investment Income	1412			1412	720
-	52759		5005	57764	66469
Hall Lets	796			796	627
Contribution - Guild	2000			2000	
funds taken from Revenue a/c	2500			2500	
Life & Work	609			609	512
Funerals	920			920	180
Weddings	100			100	200
Guild	3131			3131	3391
Sunday Club	268			268	320
C.O.S. loan for manse upgrade	58600			58600	-
Awards and Grants	44210			44210	-
L.P.O,W vat claims	3009			3009	-
Council tax refund	0			0	1254
Other receipts	0			0	650
Total Receipts	168902		5005	173907	73603
Payments					
Cost of generating funds					
Charitable Activities	112238			112238	67316
Governance costs					
Total Payments	112238			112238	67316
Excess of Receipts over payments					
for the year before transfers	56664			56664	6269
Transfers	5000				5550
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Statement of Balances

As at 31st December 2015

	Unrestricted Funds 2015 £	Restricted Funds 2015 £	Endowment Funds 2015 £ £	Total 2015	Total 2014 £
Bank & Deposit Balances Bank Balances b/f incl. £86 in B.O.S a/c (Kinglassie)	24026			24026	17737
Movement in Year Excess of payments over receipts	61668			61668	6289
Bank Balances c/f incl. £86 in B.O.S a/c (Kinglassie)	85694			85694	24026
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Investments at market value Consolidated Fabric Fund (cost 66458)	89717			89717	88387
Growth Fund (cost 9841)	16042			16042	15856
Income Fund cost 1515	2303			2303	2367
Revenue Account	17154			17154	22923
	125216			125216	129533
<u>Assets</u>					
Listed Places of Worship v,a,t, claim Gift Aid & GASDS receivable	452 1604			452 1604	- 1812
Liabilities	58600			58600	-

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