



## Sunday Worship

### Arrochar Parish Church

Every Sunday at 10am

### SS Peter & Paul RC Church

Sunday Service 8.30am. Any changes are posted on the door.

## Dates for your diary

**Communion** The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at the Parish Church on August 21<sup>st</sup>. Everyone is welcome.

**Sunday School** will start again from 28<sup>th</sup> August during morning worship. All children aged 7-12 are welcome. Please contact us for more information.

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**Heron Valley** will be performing at the Three Villages Hall on 24<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm. For more details see page 4

## Easter Sunday at the Cross

On Easter Sunday several members of the congregation, visitors and other people from the community walked to the cross at Glen Loin before laying flowers. The following prayer was read:

*Dear Lord,  
As we stand here today in front of the symbol of our faith may we understand anew what your death and resurrection mean for us: the forgiveness of our sins and the promise of eternal life.  
Draw our thoughts towards you, this Easter Day, and help us to reflect that we, too, can make small sacrifices that will be for the benefit of mankind and your great creation.  
In Jesus' name  
Amen*



## Easter Sunday at the Cross contd.

The short ceremony ended with tea, coffee and cake at *The Olive Branch*.

Thanks to the MacTavish Family.

We intend to make this an annual 'pilgrimage' and hope that many more people will join us on Easter Day 2023.



## Do you need a lift to church?

If you would like to attend Sunday services (10am) at the Parish Church but find it difficult to get there please contact Alan on 07803 245 584 and he will try to help.

## Live streaming of church services

Our services are now streamed live every Sunday at 10am, so if you can't get to church you can still share in our worship as it happens.

<https://arrocharparishchurch.org/streaming.html>

## Adieu Nairn Young

Since Rev Louis Bezuidenhout retired, Nairn Young has been one of our much-valued worship leaders. In addition to conducting services, he also played the organ for our hymn-singing.

At his last service with us, on 19<sup>th</sup> June, Nairn was presented with a gift as a token of our gratitude. He is again taking up the role of organist at his own church. We wish Nairn well.





## **Arrochar Parish Church Spring Fair**

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

A big thank you to everybody who supported our Fair. The money raised goes towards the upkeep of our church.

Fundraising is never easy and, especially now with the ever-escalating cost of living. As we plan our events, we aim to strike a balance between the financial needs of the church (which are also rising) and the day-to-day demands on our community members' finances.

## **Arrochar Parish Church Plant Sale**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May**

The annual plant sale was very successful with lots of support. Thanks to everyone who donated plants, came and restocked their gardens or just joined us for a chat. A special thank you to Ann MacEachern for sharing her vast knowledge of plants.

## **The International Clan MacFarlane Society in Arrochar**

At the end of June, we were delighted to be able to welcome members of *The Clan MacFarlane Society* to Arrochar. The group had a very busy schedule but managed to fit in a celebration dinner at The Village Inn as well as a visit to the Church where they enjoyed coffee, tea and biscuits while learning more about the history of the parish and its links to the clan, including the old church, the bell and the silver communion cups. The cups are a quarter of a century older than the United States!



**Members of the International Clan MacFarlane Society in Arrochar**



### **Heron Valley and Guests at the Three Villages Hall**

Returning to Arrochar for a night of lively self-penned and traditional folk music, Heron Valley are an energy fuelled, traditional band from Scotland.

Rooted in Scottish and Irish traditional music, Heron Valley's sound encompasses elements of Scots Song, Piping tunes, and Irish banjo; underpinned by upbeat, contemporary accompaniment.

Through Heron Valley's extensive touring in the US, the band's sound is also informed by the dynamic traditions of Bluegrass and Americana. The six-piece group comprises Abigail Pryde on Fiddle and Vocals, Keith Morrison on Keys, Nick Hamilton on Banjo and Guitar, Alastair Maclean on Bagpipes and Whistles, Callum Cronin on Bass and Guitar and Darren Brown on Drums.

Doors Open at 7 - Get Your Tickets early so as not to be disappointed:  
<http://www.heronvalleyband.com/tour>

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### **Three Villages Hall**

#### **Weekly**

Walk in the Park  
Table Tennis  
Zumba  
Kids' Library  
Christian Fellowship

#### **Monthly**

Camera Club  
Community Council  
Book Club

#### **Coffee mornings...**

...are taking a break in July, but the Church hosted one in the 3VH as usual on 9th July.  
Coffee mornings will be back on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month from August until November.

For more information about any of these events please contact the Three Villages Hall.

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