

# June 2026

St Andrew's Scottish Episcopal Church,  
Milngavie, G62 6PJ

*Regular services  
to which all are welcome*

10am Sundays                      Sung Eucharist

10am Thursdays                Said Eucharist

On Tuesdays at 10am an inter-church prayer  
group takes place in the Garden Room.

On Thursdays at 8.45am Daily Prayer [SEC2024]  
is said in the Church.

## Threads

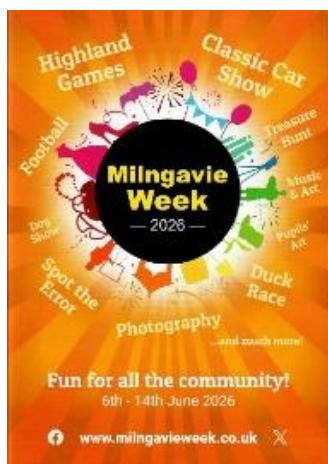


Threads of many colours  
Each one a reflection of you,  
May we be bound together  
Constant and true.

May we become a lifeline  
Pulling others to safety  
Hands reaching out in friendship  
Giving strength in unity.

A coat of many colours  
Precious to the Father,  
Precious to the Son,  
Woven by the Spirit  
We are all in one.

Sue Brough 1996



## Milngavie Week Music Day at St Andrew's

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 10am  
to 4pm. Drop-in for:

**Performances** by  
students from Haydock  
Music School [10am to  
2pm] showing their  
talents.

2pm to 4pm  
**Come and Try** session –  
is there a budding  
pianist, drummer,  
guitarist, clarinettist

violinist or cellist waiting to burst forth?

## Alan Kerr Williams RIP



Alan served on the Vestry for many years, 28 of those as Secretary. He had not been able to attend church for some time and died peacefully at home in the care of his family. He was 89.

His funeral took place in the church on Tuesday, 14th April and his Irishness was particularly well represented by the beautiful flowers which "Rose & Thyme" had produced from Wilma's brief. There was shamrock, of course, but the Bells of Ireland stood out (literally) as they continued to grow. A symbol of new life in the Lord?



The service was lead by Robin as Interim Priest, along with Olive Drane who has been a particular support to Wilma. They read loving tributes from members of the family, which were quite amusing at times!

The picture at the top of this column is of Alan sitting in the co-pilot's seat of the flight simulator at Heath Row, which was a big birthday treat arranged by Andrew for his Dad.

At the funeral the picture took the place of the church hymn board and ensured that Alan was in our sight as we remembered him and commended him to God.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

## George Fraser Gold RIP

Fraser was a regular contributor to the Thursday morning communion service [setting up as Sacristan, and as a long-serving [64 years] Lay Reader, sometimes led it from the Reserved Sacrament.]

He had indicated to Andrea that a Requiem would be, for him, a significant part of funeral arrangements so the regular service on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April took the form of a Requiem for Fraser in the presence of his family and members of St Andrew's. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

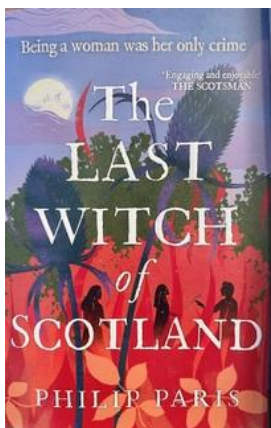
Over 160 people attended his funeral at Maryhill Crematorium the following day and over 70 of them returned to St Andrew's Hall to remember him. These numbers were a remarkable testimony to a man who was almost 91.

His Mountaineering Group friends were particularly in evidence in the hall and revealed that Fraser had once dressed up as Marilyn Monroe and sung her famous "Happy Birthday Mr President" on the occasion of the Club President's Birthday.

Fraser was a man of many parts and they were well celebrated by tributes from his family.

## Book Group

Andrea was back for the May meeting at which there was a great discussion at Clare's about *The Homemade God* by Rachel Joyce. Our next book chosen by Karine is *The Last Witch of Scotland* by Philip Paris. It's set in 18th century Highlands and is inspired by the true story of the last person in Britain to be executed for witchcraft. Amongst other themes the book looks at how society treats those who are different. We meet at Karine's at 2.30pm on 18/19 June [to be confirmed in notices].



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## Dorcas Group Update

Lots of different creative techniques were used to make greetings cards at our last meeting. Donations were made to MSF for their work in the Ebola crisis and we meet again on Monday 29 June. All are welcome at 11.15 to join the group, even for one session.



## The Saltings Walk

Nineteen of us and three dogs participated in our May walk which began at Old Kilpatrick station and led us along by the Clyde through the scenic Kilpatrick Saltings Nature Reserve ending at Bowling Harbour where we enjoyed refreshments at the cafe there.

It was lovely to see Andrea too. Information boards along the way described the nature and history of the area and it was hard to believe that this peaceful nature reserve, was once busy with rail and canal freight. Thanks to Tim and Jane for organising this walk which was new territory for many of us.

