

Birth and Baptismal Register for Colonsay & Oronsay Church

The transcription given below is intended partly to ensure that a duplicate record exists and partly for the benefit of genealogical researchers. All entries for publication will be from at least one hundred years ago. Proper names are transliterated. This work was initiated 17 December 2010 by Kevin Byrne, Session Clerk.

Name of child	M	F	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Father's occupation	Birth	Where born	Baptised	By whom baptised
Duncan D.C. McNeill	M		Donald McNeill	Margaret McNeill	Crofter	1881 Aug 17	Kilchattan	1881 Nov 10	Rev. D. Carmichael
Alexander McNeill	M		Archibald McNeill	Jean Ramsay	Carpenter	1882 May 18	Glen cottage	1882 Oct 8	Rev. D. Carmichael
Malcolm McNeill	M		Neil McNeill	Janet Blue	Manager	1881 Oct 30	Orons-ay	Dec 10	Rev. D. Carmichael
John McLellan	M		Dugald McLellan	Flora McLugash	Farmer	1882 Sep 5	Scalasaig	1883 Feb 22	Rev. D. Carmichael
Flora McMillan		F	Roger McMillan	Isabella McMillan	Crofter	1881 Oct 27	Urgaig	Oct 1	Rev. D. Carmichael
Barbara McLellan		F	Neil McLellan	Ellen McKinven	Farmer	1883 Dec 13	Scalasaig	1884 May 21	Rev. D. Carmichael
Catherine McNeill		F	John McNeill	Flora McPhee	Miller	May 12	Mill	Aug 1	Rev. D. Carmichael
Archibald Buie	M		Hector Buie	Hester McNeill	Crofter	1855 Jul 11	Oronsay	Aug 18	Rev. D. Carmichael
Catherine McNeill		F	Donald McNeill	Margaret McNeill	Crofter	1884 Jun 7	Kilchattan	Sep 1	Rev. D. Carmichael
Elizabeth j. Griffin		F	William Griffin	Jemima Cairns	Manager	1883 Jul 6	Kiloran	Sep 24	Rev. D. Carmichael
Ann McLellan		F	Dugald McLellan	Flora McLugash	Farmer	1884 Jun 1	Scalasaig	Oct 8	Rev. D. Carmichael
Catherine McNeill		F	Archibald McNeill	Jean Ramsay	Carpenter	May 8	Glen cottage	1885 Jan 10	Rev. D. Carmichael
Sarah Clark		F	Donald Clark	Catherine McPhee	Shepherd	1885 Mar 6	Bunava	May 7	Rev. D. Carmichael
Alexander McCall	M		John McCall	Agnes Currie	Manager	1884 Oct 7	11 Bentick St. Kilmarnock	Jul 27	Rev. D. Carmichael
John Smart	M		John Smart	Catherine Munn	Blacksmith	1885 Mar 15	Scalasaig	Aug 6	Rev. D. Carmichael
Ina Erskine McNeill		F	John McNeill	Flora McPhee	Miller	Jul 27	Mill	Oct 14	Rev. D. Carmichael
Mary McNeill		F	Neil McNeill	Janet Blue	Manager	1883 Dec 4	Oronsay	Oct 22	Rev. D. Carmichael
Janet McNeill		F	Neil McNeill	Janet Blue	Manager	1885 Feb 13	Oronsay	Oct 22	Rev. D. Carmichael
Giles Edward Butt	M		Giles Edward Butt	Jean McPhee	Butler		London	1886 Sep 12	Rev. D. Carmichael
Archibald McCannel	M		Malcolm McCannel	Mary Campbell	Tailor	1885 Feb 26	Kilchattan	Sep 13	Rev. D. Carmichael
Mirren McCannel		F	Malcolm McCannel	Mary Campbell	Tailor	1886 Aug 10	Kilchattan	Sep 13	Rev. D. Carmichael
Annabella McNeill		F	Archibald McNeill	Jean Ramsay	Carpenter	Jan 19	Glen cottage	1887 Jan 10	Rev. D. Carmichael
Marion Smart		F	John Smart	Catherine Munn	Blacksmith	Sep 22	Scalasaig	Jan 10	Rev. D. Carmichael
Malcolm McNeill	M		Alexander McNeill	Isabella McMillan	Ploughman	Jan 29	Kiloran	Mar 28	Rev. D. Carmichael
Ann McCaig		F		Mary McCaig		1881 Jan 6	Kiloran	Mar 28	Rev. D. Carmichael
Elizabeth McCall		F	John McCall	Agnes Currie	Manager	1887 Mar 4	Machrins	Oct 7	Rev. D. Carmichael

28th June 1887. Examined by the Presbytery of Islay and Jura, and found to be carefully and correctly kept. John A. Gilchrist Presby. Clerk

Name of child	M	F	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Father's occupation	Birth	Where born	Baptised	By whom baptised
Angus McNeill	M		Neil McNeill	Janet Blue	Manager	1886 Sep 19	Oronsay	1888 Jul 16	Rev. W. Campbell, Kildalton
Donald Clark	M		Donald Clark	Catherine McPhee	Shepherd	1887 Jul 21	Bunava	Sep 4	Rev. D. Carmichael
Donald McNeill	M		John McNeill	Flora McPhee	Miller	Oct 1	Mill	Jul 6	Rev. D. Carmichael
Eva Butt		F	Giles Edward Butt	Jean McPhee	Butler	1888 Mar 10	London	Jul 22	Rev. D. Carmichael
James Smart	M		John Smart	Catherine Munn	Blacksmith	Aug 13	Scalasaig	Dec 25	Rev. D. Carmichael
Duncan Macneill	M		Archibald Macneill	Jean Ramsay	Carpenter	1888 Aug 9	Glen cottage	1889 Mar 17	Rev. D. Carmichael
Margaret Annie Weir		F	William Weir	Lily Stewart	Shepherd	1889 Feb 22	Balnahard	Apr 12	Rev. D. Carmichael
Catherine McCannel		F	Malcolm McCannel	Mary Campbell	Tailor	1888 Oct 10	Kilchattan	Sep 9	Rev. D. Carmichael

24th Sep. 1889. Examined by the Presbytery of Islay and Jura and found correct. Alexander Duff. Modr. Pry.

Name of child	M	F	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Father's occupation	Birth	Where born	Baptised	By whom baptised
Margaret Shaw McNeill		F	Alexander McNeill	Isabella McMillan	Ploughman	1888 Sep 9	Machrins	1889 Nov 20	Rev. W. Campbell, Kildalton
John Macphee Clark	M		Donald Clark	Catherine McPhee	Shepherd	1889 Oct 13	Bunava	Dec 30	Rev. D. Carmichael
Neil Macphee Butt	M		Giles Edward Butt	Jean McPhee	Butler		Kiloran	1890 May 22	Rev. D. Carmichael
John Darroch	M		Charles Darroch	Catherine McLean	Fisherman	1890 Apr 30	Riskbuie	Aug 29	Rev. D. Carmichael
Hugh Campbell	M		Hugh Campbell	Mary McMillan	Spirit Salesman	1886 Apr 21	15 Carrick St Glasgow	1891 Feb 6	Rev. D. Carmichael
Alexander Smart	M		John Smart	Catherine Munn	Blacksmith	1890 Jul 4	Scalasaig	Apr 20	Rev. D. Carmichael
Nicol McNeill	M		Donald McNeill	Margaret McNeill	Crofter	1891 Feb 21	Kilchattan	1891 May 20	Rev. D. Carmichael
Angus McNeill	M		Alexander McNeill	Isabella McMillan	Ploughman	Mar 2	Machrins	Jul 24	Rev. D. Carmichael
Donald McCannel	M		Malcolm McCannel	Mary Campbell	Tailor	1890 Sep 7	Kilchattan	Jul 24	Rev. D. Carmichael
Mary Buchanan Nicolson		F	Allan Nicolson	Annie McPhee	Asylum Attendant	1891 May 9	32 Steven St Glasgow	Jul 24	Rev. D. Carmichael
Hester Young McNeill		F	Malcolm McNeill	Fanny Addison	Farmer		Balerominmor	Oct 12	Rev. D. Carmichael
Roger McNeill	M		Neil McNeill	Janet Blue	Manager	1889 Apr 26	Oronsay	Dec 7	Rev. D. Carmichael
John McNeill	M		Neil McNeill	Janet Blue	Manager	1890 Oct 21	Oronsay	Dec 7	Rev. D. Carmichael

At Bridgen the 29th Decr. 1891: The Kirk Session Records of Colonsay were submitted and duly attested by the Presbytery to be correctly kept – John W. Gilchrist Presby. Clk.

Name of child	M	F	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Father's occupation	Birth	Where born	Baptised	By whom baptised
Ann McNeill		F	John McNeill	Flora McPhee	Miller	1890 Jan 3	Mill	1892 Jun 2	Rev. D. Carmichael
Archibald Alexander McNeill	M		John McNeill	Flora McPhee	Miller	1892 Jul 7	Mill	1893 Jan 3	Rev. D. Carmichael
Jessie McInnes		F	John McInnes	Annie McLeod	Hotel Keeper	Nov 8	Scalasaig	Feb 13	Rev. D. Carmichael
James Butt	M		Giles Edward Butt	Jean McPhee	Butler	1892 Jul 2	Kiloran	May 10	Rev. D. Carmichael
Flora McCannel		F	Malcolm McCannel	Mary Campbell	Tailor	Aug 14	Kilchattan	Sep 4	Rev. D. Carmichael
Euphemia Ann McAlister		F	Alexander McAlister	Mary Ann Campbell	Fisherman	Oct 31	I	Dec 28	Rev. D. Carmichael
Neil McMillan	M		Roger McMillan	Isabella McMillan	Crofter	1885 May 7	Urgaig	1894 Apr 23	Rev. D. Carmichael
Hector McMillan	M		Roger McMillan	Isabella McMillan	Crofter	1888 Sep 7	Urgaig	Aopr 23	Rev. D. Carmichael
Elizabeth Smart		F	John Smart	Catherine Munn	Blacksmith	1892 Sep 30	Scalasaig	Nov 26	Rev. D. Carmichael
Mary Kennedy Smart		F	John Smart	Catherine Munn	Blacksmith	1894 Nov 3	Scalasaig	Nov 26	Rev. D. Carmichael
Malcolm McCannel	M		Malcolm McCannel	Mary Campbell	Tailor	Sep 4	Kilchattan	1895 Sep 23	Rev. D. Carmichael
Jane McPhee Butt		F	Giles Edward Butt	Jean McPhee	Butler	Dec 13	Kiloran	Apr 10	Rev. D. Carmichael
Dugald McPhail Clark	M		Donald Clark	Catherine McPhee	Shepherd	1895 Jan 13	Bunava	Apr 15	Rev. D. Carmichael
Catherine McAlister		F	Alexander McAlister	Mary Ann Campbell	Fisherman	1894 Dec 18	Riskbuie	Apr 19	Rev. D. Carmichael

At Bridgend, the 31st Decr. 1895 – attested by John W. Gilchrist, Pres. Clk.

Name of child	M	F	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Father's occupation	Birth	Where born	Baptised	By whom baptised
Catherine Macneill		F	Donald Macneill	Margaret Galbraith	Merchant	1871 Nov 25	Kilchattan	1896 Jul 5	Rev. D. Carmichael
Margaret Macneill		F	Donald Macneill	Margaret Galbraith	Merchant	1879 Jan 7	133 London St Glasgow	1896 Jul 5	Rev. D. Carmichael
Janet Macneill		F	Alexander Macneill	Isabella Macmillan	Ploughman	1894 Sep 21	Machrins	1896 Jun 19	Rev. D. Carmichael
John McAlister	M		Alexander McAlister	Mary-Ann Campbell	Fisherman	1896 Dec 5	Riskbuie	1897 Feb 24	Rev. D. Carmichael

At Bridgend the 18th. Jany. 1898 attested by Jon W Gilchrist Presby. Clerk.

Name of child	M	F	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Father's occupation	Birth	Where born	Baptised	By whom baptised
Georg Buchanan Clark	M		Donald Clark	Catherine McPhee	Shepherd	1898 Nov 5	Bunaveh	1898 Dec 28	Rev. D. Carmichael

Attested for year 1899 by John W. Gilchrist Pres. Clk.

Name of child	M	F	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Father's occupation	Birth	Where born	Baptised	By whom baptised
George Buchanan Clark	M		Donald Clark	Catherine Macphee	Shepherd	1898 Nov 5	Bunava	1898 Dec 28	Rev. D. Carmichael
Margaret McAlister		F	Alexander McAlister	Mary-Ann Campbell	Fisherman	1899 Jun 5	Riskbuie	1899 Aug 27	Rev. D. Carmichael
Janet McCannel		F	Malcolm McCannel	Mary Campbell	Tailor	Apr 2	Kilchattan	Nov 29	Rev. D. Carmichael
Archibald Alexander Macneill	M		Alexander Macneill	Isabella Macmillan	Ploughman	Jun 16	Kiloran	Dec 28	Rev. D. Carmichael

30 Jany. 1900 – attested by the Presbytery John W. Gilchrist P.C.

29 Jany. 1901 – attested as carefully kept John W Gilchrist Pres. Clk.

Name of child	M	F	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Father's occupation	Birth	Where born	Baptised	By whom baptised
Hector Buie	M		Archibald Buie	Mirren Macneill	Shepherd	1900 Mar 30	Kiloran	1901 Jun 4	Rev. D. Carmichael
Peter McAlister	M		Alexander McAlister	Mary-Ann Campbell	Fisherman	Nov 3	Riskbuie	Nov 27	Rev. D. Carmichael
Jessie-Ann Bowie		F		Catherine Bowie		1896 Apr 12	Urgaig	Dec 16	Rev. D. Carmichael
Mary McCannel		F	Malcolm McCannel	Mary Campbell	Tailor	1901 Mar 31	Kilchattan	Dec 25	Rev. D. Carmichael
Donald Munn	M			Catherine Munn	Fisherman		Gartagowan	1902 Jun 10	Rev. D. Carmichael
David Clark	M		Donald Clark	Catherine Macphee	Shepherd	1902 May 26	Bunaveh	Jun 11	Rev. D. Carmichael
Ann Cameron McAlister		F	Alexander McAlister	Mary Ann Campbell	Fisherman	Oct 10	Riskbuie	1904 May 9	Rev. D. Carmichael
Mary Buchanan Clark		F	Donald Clark	Catherine Macphee	Shepherd	1904 Sep 10	Bunaveh	1904 Oct 6	Rev. D. Carmichael
Duncan McKinnon	M						Balnahard	1905 Aug 4	Rev. D. Carmichael
Duncan H. McL. McIntyre	M		Malcolm McIntyre	Joanna McLeod	Blacksmith	1905 Mar 24	Scalsaig	1906 Apr 13	Rev. D. Carmichael
Christina McAlister		F	Alexander McAlister	Mary Ann Campbell	Fisherman	1906 Oct 28	Riskbuie	1907 Jun 16	Rev. D. Carmichael

The above Books correctly kept up to date. Attested – 1909 by John W Gilchrist, Pres. Clk.

Name of child	M	F	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Father's occupation	Birth	Where born	Baptised	By whom baptised
Barbara McLeod Macintyre		F	Malcolm McIntyre	Joanna McLeod	Blacksmith	1908 Mar 14	Colonsay	1908 Jul 9	Rev. D. Carmichael
Mary		F	Alexander McAllister	Mary-Ann Campbell	Fisherman	1909 Feb 28	Colonsay	1909 May 16	Rev. D. Carmichael
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Jan. 27 1914. Attested by order of the Presbytery of Islay and Jura. A. Anderson Pres. Clk.

The above Baptismal entries are complete to 8 January 1911; the next four entries (1912, 1913, 1917, 1919) will bring the record to 1920.

Although entries less than 100 years old will not be published, it is hoped to complete a full digital copy of the Register in case anything should happen to the original. The digital copy will be transmitted as a work-in-progress for safe-keeping to Mr. Andrew MacGregor, Elder. When the work is complete, a hard-copy and a further digital copy will be produced, for safe-keeping in the manse.

As a matter of interest, the most recent Colonsay baptism within the Baptist Church was ca. 1980 (Loch Fada), as was the most recent Catholic baptism (Colonsay Hotel, using the font from the Parish Church). At the time of writing, the most recent baptism within the Parish Church was on 18 June 2000. To date, no civic "Naming Ceremony" has been performed by the Registrar.

Kevin Byrne, Session Clerk 8 January 2011.