

Newsletter of St Aidan's Aviemore, <https://aviemore.rcda.scot>
St Anne's Grantown on Spey (Masses held in St Columba Episcopal Church)

2nd April 2023, Palm Sunday, the Year A

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday

St Anne's, Grantown (Saturdays vigil Mass 17:00)

St Aidan's, Aviemore Mass 11:30

Tuesday

St Aidan's, Aviemore Mass 18:00

Wednesday

St Anne's, Grantown, Liturgy of the Word 10.00

Maundy Thursday

St Aidan's, Aviemore Mass 18:00

Good Friday

St Anne's, Grantown 15:00 (Community lead Stations of the Cross)

St Aidan's, Aviemore Good Friday Liturgy 15:00

Holy Saturday

Polish Blessing of Easter Baskets

St Aidan's, Aviemore 11:00

Easter Vigil Mass, Saturday

St Aidan's, Aviemore 21:00

Easter Sunday

St Anne's, Grantown Mass 09:00

St Aidan's, Aviemore Mass 11:30

Easter Monday

11.00 Aviemore Mass in Polish

Today, **Palm Sunday** marks the beginning Holy Week. The palm branches blessed during the celebration of the liturgy will be distributed to the faithful.

Installation of a new stained-glass window. A beautiful new stained-glass window will be installed in St Aidan's on Monday 3rd April. The window, which has been designed and created by Shona McInnes of Leadline Studios, celebrates the lives of St James the Apostle and St Aidan of Fearn. Fr Andrew will bless the window before the end of the Easter Sunday Mass. Many thanks to all those who have generously contributed to this project.

Good Friday is a day of **Fasting and Abstinence**. On Good Friday starts **Novena before the Divine Mercy Sunday**.

On Good Friday begins **the Novena before the Divine Mercy Sunday**. After the Mass today there will be distributed texts with the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Holy Saturday will include **blessing of Easter baskets** in Polish at 11.00hrs. It is a Polish tradition to bless baskets containing a sample of Easter foods.

Rehearsals for the Holy Triduum liturgies will be:

Thursday 10.00 for the Maundy Thursday liturgy

Good Friday 10.00 for the Good Friday liturgy

Holy Saturday 15.00 for the Ester Vigil

Every pair of hands is helpful in these kinds of liturgies. If you would like to help, please come for a rehearsal.

Confession. Additional possibility for confession will be on Tuesday 30 minutes before 6 pm Mass. If needed also after the Mass. Also, on Saturday 30 minutes before blessing of Easter baskets at 11 am and if needed also after the blessing. Please remember that every catholic should, if possible, go to confession at least once a year and to communion during Easter Time.

Lenten Talks at St Columba's Culloden – 'Journeying with Jesus through Holy Week' – Fr. Domenico will deliver the final talk on Wednesday 5 April, beginning at 7.00pm.

➤ **St. Aidan's, Aviemore**

Maintenance Collection

Next Sunday falls 2nd Sunday of the Month. We will have our monthly maintenance collection. If you don't plan to be with us next Sunday you may consider supporting us today into the basket dedicated for maintenance at the rear of the church. Thank you for your support.

Last Sunday collection was £137

Mass attendance 54

➤ **St. Anne's, Grantown**

Masses are held in St Columba Episcopal Church in Grantown on Spey.

Please mind, that this week there will not be usual Vigil Mass on Saturday. The Sunday Mass will be on Ester Sunday 9th at 09.00 hrs.

In February the monthly income from Sunday collections and Direct Debits was £316 before diocesan levies, which are about 50%. Sunday collections were £156 and direct debits £160. If you would like to support our Grantown on Spey Catholic Community with a standing order or a bank donation our bank account details are: RCDA St Annes Sort Code 80-05-40 Account number 00171333

Confession will be available 20 minutes before each Mass if possible or by appointment.

I am happy to visit any parishioner who is **sick, housebound, in hospital or care home**. Please let me know contacts details of anyone you are aware of who may like priests visit.

Any contribution for the **parish newsletter** by Thursday please.

Your support is very much appreciated. If you would like to support our parish with a standing order or a bank donation our Aviemore bank account details are:

RCDA St Aidan's Sort Code 80-05-40 Account number 00836987

Mass Intentions. Thank you for supporting me and other priests with Mass intentions. Please submit any requests for a Mass with as much notice as possible. Any donations for this would be most gratefully received.

Mondays are usually **a day off** for the priest. I would be grateful if you would respect it, unless it is an emergency.

Fr. Andrew Harden, Parish Priest in Aviemore.

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