Newsletter of St Aidan's Aviemore, https://aviemore.rcda.scot St Anne's Grantown on Spey (Masses held in St Columba Episcopal Church) Fr. Andrew Harden MA PhB STL, Parish Priest in Aviemore. St. Aidan's, Grampian Rd Aviemore PH22 1PT, 01479810229, aviemore@rcda.scot

# 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

#### **Relics of St Andrew, St Columba and St Margaret in Inverness**

Next week the relics of St Andrew, St Columba and St Margaret of Scotland will continue their pilgrimage around Scotland, this time visiting the Highlands. There will be public veneration of the relics from 9am-5pm on Wednesday 15th at St Mary's, Inverness, followed by a solemn Mass there on the feast of St Margaret on 16th at 10am (veneration will still be possible after the Mass on this day until 4pm). Please come along and venerate the relics. This is a once in a generation opportunity, afforded by the Knights of St Columba, who have organised the pilgrimage, to pay homage locally to three great saints of Scotland and ask for their intercession. The relics will then return to their permanent home in Carfin.

#### Sunday Advent lunches for those in need in Inverness

At a recent meeting of the Highland Deanery priests, it was proposed that we organise a hot meal for those who are struggling. This will be done on each Sunday of Advent (3, 10, 17, 24 Dec), from 1.30pm- 3.30pm. The venue for this will be the church hall at St. Mary's, in Huntly Street, Inverness. It is hoped that there will be volunteers from all of the parishes in the local area. If you feel you may be able to help in any way, please contact the St. Mary's office at: 01224 233519. A planning meeting will be held on Wednesday 22 November at 7.00pm in the Marian Room.

#### November is the Month of the Holy Souls

November is the Month of the Holy Souls. In November, after every weekday Mass we will have a decade of the Rosary for our departed loved ones. We will display names of the departed at the altar at each Mass in November.

#### **Polish Mass**

The next Polish Mass in Aviemore will be on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November in Aviemore at 10.00 hrs. Please pass this information to those who might be interested. As it is close to the Polish Independence Day, we will sing a Polish National Anthem and there will be a declamation of a Polish poem.

# St. Aidan's, Aviemore Teas and coffees Teas and coffees after 11:30 Mass. All donations appreciated.

Last Sunday's collection was £120.50 Mass attendance 42

#### **Maintenance** Collection

In our church we have a monthly maintenance collection on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month, which is today. Current projects are: the painting and repair of the eaves and the refurbishment

of the porch area to the house and the redecorating of the Sanctuary here in the church. Last  $2^{nd}$  Sunday of the month maintenance collection was £74. Thank you for your support.

### ➤ St. Anne's, Grantown Masses are held in St Columba Episcopal Church in Grantown on Spey.

Last Sunday's collection was £61 Mass attendance 18 October direct debit payments £150

## **Holy Mass times:**

Monday, private Mass Tuesday, Aviemore 10.00 hrs Wednesday, Aviemore 10.00 hrs Thursday, Aviemore 18.00 hrs/ The Feast of St Margaret of Scotland Friday, Aviemore 18.00 hrs Saturday Vigils, Grantown-on-Spey 17.00 hrs Sundays, Aviemore 11.30 hrs

Weekday Masses will be in the hall over the heating season in respect to the spiralling cost that exists to heat the church. Weekday Masses when bigger attendance is expected will be in the church.

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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 priest's visit.

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

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

**Your support is very much appreciated.** If you would like to support our parish with a standing order, a bank donation or your will our Aviemore bank account details are: RCD of Aberdeen Sort Code 80-05-40 Account number 00836987 and our Grantown on Spey Catholic Community bank account details are: RCD of Aberdeen Sort Code 80-05-40 Account number 00171333

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