

24th March 2024, Palm Sunday, Year B

Holy Week & Easter Services 2024

Palm Sunday 24th March
Grantown (Saturdays Vigil Mass 17:00)
St Aidan's, Aviemore 11:30

Maundy Thursday 28th March
St Aidan's, Aviemore 18:00

Good Friday 29th March
Grantown 15:00 (Community lead Stations of the Cross)
St Aidan's, Aviemore 15:00

Holy Saturday 30th March
Polish Blessing of Easter Baskets
St Aidan's, Aviemore 11:00

Easter Vigil Mass, Saturday 30 March **St Aidan's, Aviemore 21:00**

Easter Sunday Masses 31st March
Grantown 09:00
Aviemore 11:30

Easter Monday 1st April
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. The liturgy in Aviemore will begin outside the church.

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.

Confession

Additional possibility for confession will be on the Holy 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.

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.

➤ **St. Aidan's, Aviemore**

Teas and coffees

Teas and coffees after 11:30 Mass. All donations appreciated.

Passover (Seder) Meal

Passover (Seder) Meal will be on Tues. 26th March 2024 at St Aidan's Parish Hall at 6pm sharp. This is the meal Jesus was celebrating when he instituted the Eucharist. Registration essential to catering numbers, please sign up on the sheet at the back of Church. Donations welcome. Details from Gaynoll Craig. 07544020709 gaynoll.craig@gmail.com

Last Sunday collection was £164.80

SCIAF Collection £111.80

Mass attendance 68

Maintenance Collection

In our church we have a monthly maintenance collection on the 2nd Sunday of each month. If you have not been with us recently, you may consider supporting us today. The basket dedicated for maintenance is at the rear of the church. 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 2nd Sunday of the month maintenance collection was £30. Thank you for your support.

➤ **Grantown on Spey Catholic Community**

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

Sunday Mass on Easter Sunday

There will be no usual Saturday Vigil Mass at 5 pm on Holy Saturday 30th March. Instead, there will be an Easter Sunday Mass on Sunday 31st March at 9.00 am.

Last Sunday's collection was £52.60

SCIAF Collection £77.50

Mass attendance 20

February direct debit payments £240

Confession will be available 20 minutes before each Sunday 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.

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Grantown on Spey Catholic Community (Masses held in St Columba Episcopal Church)
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