12th January 2025 The Baptism of the Lord - Feast, Year C

Holy Mass times:

Saturdays, Grantown-on-Spey 5.00 pm Vigil - Fulfils Sunday Obligation Sundays, Kingussie 10.00 am Sundays, Aviemore 11.30 am Tuesday, Kingussie 6.00 pm Wednesday, Grantown-on-Spey 10.00 am Thursday, Aviemore 10.00 am Friday, Aviemore 6.00 pm

The Feast of The Baptism of the Lord

Today 12th January is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This feast ends Christmastide. Ordinary time in the liturgy begins on Monday 13th January.

First Holy Communion preparation

There will be preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Communion in Aviemore. If you wish that your child will start preparations contact Eva Palugova.

Koleda

Kolęda it is a Polish word for traditional Polish house visit by a priest and **house blessing** after Christmas. If you would like such a visit, please contact me.

Vocations

We continue to pray for Dcn. Aidan Matheson, Anh Tuan Nguyen, Rene De Los Reyes and Richard Webster.

➤ St. Aidan's, Aviemore

Teas and coffees

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

Last Sunday's collection was £153.70 Justice and Peace £115.30 Mass attendance 42

Maintenance Collection

Today is the 2nd Sunday of the month. We will have in our church a monthly maintenance collection. The current project is the redecoration of the walls at the altar end of the church. The maintenance collection for December was £104.00. Thank you for your support.

Aviemore bank account details are: RCD of Aberdeen Sort Code 80-05-40 Account number 00836987

➤ Grantown on Spey Catholic Community

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

Grantown Community Cafe

Volunteers needed for the very popular Community Cafe held every Friday in the YM Community Centre. If you can help with serving, washing up, or better still by making soup, one or two Fridays per month, then please see Claire Thom or Jo Fry, or phone Jo on 07551189580. If you can bake cake(s) or biscuits once every month or every two months it would be much appreciated - please let Claire or Jo know. The cafe enhances our community spirit and helps maintain our very important Community Centre.

Last Sunday's collection was £98.20 Justice and Peace £2.20 November Direct Debit Payments: £240 Attendance: 16

Grantown on Spey Catholic Community bank account details are: RCD of Aberdeen Sort Code 80-05-40 Account number 00171333

➤ Our Lady of the Rosary and St Columba, Kingussie

Parish House Boiler

Recently in the parish house was very strong smell of Kerosene Oil. The heating engineer was called third time in about one month and it was found that the boiler was leaking. The problem was sorted out. We hope that it was the last heating engineer for this year.

Church and Parish House Insurance

I think our parishioners would like to know that our church and the parish house was recently insured according to our diocesan standards. The payment for this was £1834.94.

Christmas Decorations

This Sunday sees the end of the Season of Christmas in the church, and we will be taking down the trees, crib and other decorations after Mass. It would be so much appreciated if as many people as possible could stay behind for up to an hour to help pack everything away. We will make sure that plenty of tea, coffee and cake is available!

PARISH CHRISTMAS ALMSGIVING

I would like to thank all parishioners for their continued support in making our fundraising campaign a success. Thanks to the generous participation and support from everyone, we raised a fantastic total of £1,025.00. This event was not only a display of community spirit but also a testament to the generosity and kindness of our parishioners. After final confirmation, we are excited to announce how these funds will be used to support both charitable causes and the needs of our church: £500 will be donated to Mary's Meals, a charity that provides lifechanging meals to some of the world's poorest children every school day. Your contributions will help ensure that more children can receive nourishment and education, fostering hope for a brighter future. The remaining funds £525.00 will be allocated to cover the recent central heating servicing and repair costs of our church. This will help ensure a warm and welcoming environment for all parishioners during the winter months. A tremendous thank you to everyone who participated, donated, and volunteered to make this event a success. Your efforts and generosity have made a significant impact, both locally and globally. Well, done, everyone! Together, we continue to make a difference in our community and beyond.

Led by the Spirit Collated Report and Bishop's Response

Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to Led by the Spirit (LBS). individual parish reports from LBS Phase 3 have now collated and published www.ledbythespirit.rcdai.org.uk Bishop Brian has published his response and a draft Action Plan for implementing LBS's fruits. This can also be seen on www.ledbythespirit.rcdai.org.uk If you wish to be consulted on the Action Plan please join the online meeting for parishioners on Wednesday 19th February To register please click 6.30pm. https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/dECaux-3TfqkzMKeFnyYxw

Last Sunday's collection was £46.50 Justice and Peace 36.40 Attendance: 22

Kingussie bank account details are: RC Deese of Argyll the Isles-Kingussie Sort Code 83-91-25 Account number 65628045.

Holy Mass intentions:

Saturday: Nancy Sanfey RIP Sunday: 10 am: For Parishioners Sunday: 11.30 am For Maria and Family

Monday: available
Tuesday: available
Wednesday: available
Thursday: available
Friday: available
Saturday: available
Sunday: 10 am For Parishioners
Sunday: 11.30 am available

Holy Mass Intentions. Please submit any requests for a Mass with as much notice as possible. Any donations would be most gratefully received.

Confession will be available 20 minutes before each Mass, when possible or by appointment. There will be no confessions in Aviemore before Sunday Mass.

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. If you would like to receive parish newsletter on your email, please send an email request to: aviemore@rcda.scot.

Our places of worship depend on the generosity of our parishioners, friends, and benefactors. Every gift we receive supports our presence. If you would like to support our church with a direct debit/ standing order/bank donation, please find the bank account details above. Your support is very much appreciated. You may consider leaving a gift in your Will. Thank you for your generosity!

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

Newsletter of St Aidan's Aviemore, https://aviemore.rcda.scot Grantown on Spey Catholic Community (Masses held in St Columba Episcopal Church) & Our Lady of the Rosary and St Columba, Kingussie.

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