

2nd March 2025, 8th Sunday of the Year C

Holy Mass times:

Saturdays, Grantown-on-Spey 5.00 pm Vigil - Fulfil Sunday Obligation

Sundays, Kingussie 10.00 am

Sundays, Aviemore 11.30 am

Wednesday, Grantown-on-Spey 10.00 am

Wednesday, Kingussie 6.00 pm

Wednesday, Aviemore 7.30 pm

Thursday, Aviemore 10.00 am

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday this year falls on the 5th March. Masses with distribution of ashes will be celebrated:

Grantown on Spey 10.00 am,

Kingussie 6.00 pm,

Aviemore 7.30 pm.

Ash Wednesday is a day of Fasting and Abstinence and marks the beginning of Lent, which is a time of spiritual preparation for celebration of Easter and of Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. As is a preparation such is a Feast. I wish you a good spiritual preparation. Maybe it would be good to add some spiritual commitment for this time.

Consecration of our Families

In Aviemore we plan Consecration of our Families to the Holy Family: St Joseph, the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Sunday 23rd of March, which is the 1st Sunday after the Solemnity of St Joseph. For more information contact Gaynoll.

The Highland Deanery Lenten Station Masses will be on Fridays of Lent at 19.00hrs

7th March (St. Columba's, Culloden)

14th March (St. Mary's Inverness)

21st March (Christ the King, Brora) - With Bishop Hugh.

28th March (St. Ninian's Inverness)

4th April (St. Anne's Thurso) -

11th April (St. Peter & St. Benedict, Fort Augustus) - With Bishop Hugh.

SCIAF Wee Boxes arrived now. They are ready to collect at the exit. More about SCIAF work and Wee Box appeal you may find on: <https://www.sciaf.org.uk/>

Vocations

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

Thinking about Diocesan Priesthood in 2025? The Catholic Church in Scotland is now inviting enquiries from those considering applying for seminary. For more information, please contact Fr. Mark Impson, Director of Vocations Email: mark.impson@rcda.scot

➤ St. Aidan's, Aviemore

Teas and coffees

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

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated every Friday of Lent at 6 pm. They will be run by parishioners.

Last Sunday's collection was £118

Mass attendance 50

Maintenance Collection

Next Sunday 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 February was £170. If you do not plan to be with us next Sunday you may consider supporting us today by putting a donation into the basket at the back of the church. 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.

Last Sunday's collection was £48

January Direct Debit Payments: £290

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**

COLUMBA CLUB

This is to advise members that a number of membership payments are still to be received for the Columba Club year commencing February 2025. This means the February draw will be suspended for approximately two weeks to allow these payments to be processed.

THE COLUMBA CLUB

SORT CODE. 80-05-40

ACCOUNT. 00264610

Thank you, Carol.

Offertory collection. 40.50

Heating/lighting. 27.60

Attendance. 18

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

Holy Mass intentions:

Saturday:

Sunday: 10 am: For Parishioners

Sunday: 11.30 am For Steven RIP

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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