

Parish Newsletter – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 25th January 2026

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Holy Mass Times

- **Saturdays** – Grantown-on-Spey, **5.00 pm**
(*Vigil Mass – fulfils Sunday obligation*)
 - **Sundays** – Kingussie, **10.00 am**
 - **Sundays** – Aviemore, **11.30 am**
- **Monday 26 January** – Aviemore, **4.00 pm**
- **Tuesday 17 February** – Aviemore, **10.00 am**
 - **Ash Wednesday, 18 February**
 - Grantown-on-Spey, **10.00 am**
 - Kingussie, **6.00 pm**
 - Aviemore, **7.30 pm**
- **Thursday 19 February** – Aviemore, **6.00 pm**

Parish News & Notices

Plans to Be Away

I will be on annual leave from **27 January until 14 February**. Sunday Masses will be celebrated as usual by **Fr Laurence Gambella** (St Mary's, Inverness) and **Fr Peter Ezekoka** (Fortrose). In the event of an emergency during this time, please contact **St Mary's, Inverness: 01463 233519**. Having a visiting priest may also be a good opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with someone new. The next newsletter is planned for the **First Sunday of Lent, 22 February**.

Station Masses – Fridays of Lent

All Station Masses in the Highland Deanery will be celebrated at **7.00 pm**.

- **20 February** – St Lawrence's, Dingwall
- **27 February** – St Mary's, Nairn
- **6 March – St Aidan's, Aviemore (Bishop Hugh presiding)**
- **13 March** – St Vincent's, Tain
- **20 March** – St Martin's, Ullapool (*Bishop Hugh presiding*)
- **27 March** – St Mary's, Inverness

Steve Gannon will coordinate the usual hospitality after the Station Mass at our church.

St Aidan's, Aviemore

Tea & Coffee

Tea and coffee are served after the **11.30 am Sunday Mass**. All are very welcome. Donations are appreciated.

St Aidan's Crib Update – Rainwater Harvester

Thanks to the generosity of parishioners and visitors, **£242.25** has been raised, enabling us to provide a rainwater harvester to vulnerable families through **SCIAF**. Your support will truly make a difference — **thank you. Mary & Jan**

Maintenance Collection

The second Sunday of each month is our customary **Maintenance Collection**. The current project concerns replacing the **parish hall door and frame**, as the existing handle cannot be repaired and poses a safety risk. A quotation of **£2,800** has been received (excluding masonry work and possible painting). As this seems high, a second quotation will be sought. **January Maintenance Collection:** £64.20 If you were not with us last Sunday, you may still contribute using the basket at the back of the church or the payment terminal. Thank you for your continued support.

Last Sunday (Aviemore)

- Collection: **£130.50**
- Attendance: **57**
- Standing Orders (December): **£660**

Bank Details Sort Code: **80-05-40** Account No: **00836987** Cheques payable to: **RCD St Aidan's**

Grantown-on-Spey Catholic Community
(Masses celebrated at St Columba's Episcopal Church, PH26 3LD)

Maintenance Collection

The monthly Maintenance Collection takes place on the **second Sunday of each month** and supports repairs to the parish house. If you were not with us recently, you may contribute today using the basket at the back of the church or the payment terminal. Thank you for your generosity.

Last Sunday (Grantown-on-Spey)

- Collection: **£28.00**
- Attendance: **18**
- Standing Orders (December): **£320**

Bank Details Sort Code: **80-05-40** Account No: **00171333** Cheques payable to: **RCD St Anne's (Grantown-on-Spey)**

Our Lady of the Rosary & St Columba, Kingussie

Tea & Coffee After Mass

All are warmly invited to the church house for tea and coffee after Sunday Mass.

Diocesan Pastoral Fund Collection

On **Sunday 15 February**, there will be a **second collection** for the Diocesan Pastoral Fund.

Crib Collection

The Bishop's Office has asked for the amount collected at the Crib and for the funds to be forwarded. Unfortunately, neither Paul nor Ellen is aware of what has happened to the money. If you have any information, please let me know.

Last Sunday (Kingussie)

- Offertory: **£84.49**
- Heating: **£23.90**
- Attendance: **27**
- Standing Orders (December): **£160**

Bank Details Sort Code: **83-91-25** Account No: **65628045** Cheques payable to: **RC Diocese of Argyll & the Isles – Kingussie**

Holy Mass Intentions

- **Saturday 24 January** – For *Waleria RIP*
- **Sunday 25 January, 10.00 am** – For all necessary graces for *Mrs Mary McDermott*
- **Sunday 25 January, 11.30 am** – For *Bronisław Berowski RIP* (11th anniversary)
 - **Monday 26 January** – For *Henryk Bukszyński RIP* (5th anniversary)
 - **Tuesday 17 February** – For the Holy Souls
 - **Ash Wednesday** – For Parishioners
 - **Thursday 19 February** – For the Holy Souls
 - **Friday 20 February** – Donor's intention

Please give as much notice as possible when requesting a Mass intention. Donations are gratefully received.

General Information

Confessions

Available approximately 20 minutes before each Mass, where possible, or by appointment. *Please note: there are no confessions before the Sunday Mass in Aviemore.*

Pastoral Visits If you know of anyone who is sick, housebound, in hospital, or living in a care home, please contact Fr Andrew to arrange a visit.

Newsletter Submissions

Items for inclusion should be emailed to aviemore@rcda.scot by Thursday. To receive the newsletter by email, please send a request. The next newsletter is planned on the 1st Sunday of Lent on 22nd February.

Supporting Our Parishes

Our parishes depend on the generosity of parishioners, friends, and benefactors. Support may be given by standing order, bank transfer, or by remembering the parish in your Will. Thank you for your continued generosity.