

Parish Newsletter 1st Sunday of Lent (Year A) 22 February 2026

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Holy Mass Times

Saturday

- Grantown-on-Spey – 5.00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday

- Kingussie – 10.00 am
- Aviemore – 11.30 am

Weekdays

- Tuesday – Aviemore, 10.00 am
- Wednesday – Grantown-on-Spey, 10.00 am
- Thursday – Kingussie, 10.00 am

Parish News & Notices

SCIAF Wee Boxes

SCIAF Wee Boxes and Gift Aid envelopes are available at the church exit. More information: www.sciaf.org.uk

New Priest in the Deanery. We welcome Fr Andrew Kingham (Diocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh), who will take up residence in Orkney on the 5th Sunday of Lent.

Station Masses – Fridays of Lent (7.00 pm)

- 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

Hospitality will follow the Station Mass at St Aidan's (Steve Gannon coordinating).

Chrism Masses

- Diocese of Argyll & the Isles – Oban Cathedral, Wed 25 March, 12.30 pm
- Diocese of Aberdeen – St Peter's, Buckie, Thu 26 March, 6.00 pm

St Aidan's, Aviemore

Tea & Coffee

After 11.30 am Sunday Mass. All welcome.

Maintenance Collection. Second Sunday each month. Current project: replacement of parish hall door and frame (quotation £2,800, excluding masonry and possible painting). A second quotation will be sought. January Maintenance: £67.70

Last Sunday

Collection: £137.90

Attendance: 80

Standing Orders (January): £660

Bank: 80-05-40 | 00836987 Cheques: RCD St Aidan's

Grantown-on-Spey Catholic Community

(Mass at St Columba's Episcopal Church, PH26 3LD)

Maintenance Collection. Second Sunday each month (parish house repairs).

Last Sunday

Collection: £28.00

Attendance: 18

Standing Orders (January): £320

Bank: 80-05-40 | 00171333 Cheques: RCD St Anne's (Grantown-on-Spey)

Our Lady of the Rosary & St Columba, Kingussie

Tea & Coffee

After Sunday Mass in the church house.

Episcopal Visit

Bishop Brian will celebrate Mass here on Sunday 22 March.

Church & House Cleaning

First Sunday of each month after Mass (followed by coffee).

First session: 1 March. April session moved one week earlier. Volunteers welcome.

Holy Week (Kingussie)

• Good Friday – 6.00 pm

Maundy Thursday and Easter Vigil will be in Aviemore. Nick will coordinate transport.

Parish Almsgiving

Palm Sunday Bake Sale. Organised by our children. Contributions of baking welcome. Proceeds will partly support the Wi'am Conflict Resolution Centre, Bethlehem (Diocesan Accompaniment Partner). From 8 March: display of children's photos and prayers sent to Bethlehem. Coordinated by Hazel.

Informal Evening – Olive & Pine Group. Thursday 12 March, 6.30 pm (Church House). Insight into Palestinian heritage and the humanitarian situation. All welcome. Tea and coffee provided.

Last Sunday

Offertory: £61

Diocesan Pastoral Fund: £31.20

Attendance: 30

Standing Orders (January): £160

Bank: 83-91-25 | 65628045 Cheques: RC Diocese of Argyll & the Isles – Kingussie

Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday – For William Stuart & Benefactors

Sunday 10.00 am – For Alexander & Helen Forbes

Sunday 11.30 am – For Rozalia (4th Birthday)

Monday – Donor's intention

Tuesday – Holy Souls

Wednesday – Parishioners

Thursday – Holy Souls

Friday – Donor's intention

Please give as much notice as possible when requesting intentions.

General Information

Confessions. Approximately 20 minutes before Mass (where possible) or by appointment.

No confessions before Sunday Mass in Aviemore.

Pastoral Visits. If someone is sick, housebound, in hospital or in a care home, please contact Fr Andrew.

Newsletter Submissions. Email aviemore@rcda.scot by Thursday.

To receive the newsletter electronically, please email a request.

Supporting Our Parishes. You may support the parish by standing order, bank transfer, or remembering the parish in your Will. Thank you for your generosity.