

Parish Newsletter 2nd Sunday of Lent (Year A) 1st March 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, 6.00 pm
- Wednesday – Grantown-on-Spey, 10.00 am
- Thursday – Kingussie, 6.00 pm
- Friday – Aviemore, 7.00 pm (Station Mass with Bishop Hugh)

PARISH NEWS & NOTICES

SCIAF Wee Boxes

SCIAF Wee Boxes and Gift Aid envelopes are available at the entrance to the church.

Further 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 Fifth Sunday of Lent.

Station Masses – Fridays of Lent (7.00 pm)

- 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 (co-ordinated by Steve Gannon).

Chrism Masses

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

ST AIDAN'S, AVIEMORE

Tea & Coffee

After the 11.30 am Sunday Mass. All are welcome.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent at 6.15 pm, led by parishioners.

Exceptionally this week, because of the Station Mass on Friday 6 March, they will be held instead on Tuesday 3 March after the 6.00 pm Mass.

First Friday of the Month

The First Friday falls this week. Mass will be celebrated in Aviemore at 7.00 pm.

Because of the Station Mass, there will be no usual confessions beforehand. If you would like to go to confession, please come on Tuesday 3 March. Confessions will be heard from 5.30 pm, or you may contact the priest to arrange another time.

Maintenance Collection

Second Sunday of each month.

Current project: replacement of the parish hall door and frame (£2,800, excluding masonry work and possible painting). A second quotation will be sought.

January Maintenance Collection: £67.70

Last Sunday

Collection: £78.10

Attendance: 65

Standing Orders (January): £660

Bank: 80-05-40 | 00836987

Cheques payable to: RCD St Aidan's

GRANTOWN-ON-SPEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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

Maintenance Collection

Second Sunday of each month (parish house repairs).

Last Sunday

Collection: £11.00

Attendance: 14

Standing Orders (January): £320

Bank: 80-05-40 | 00171333

Cheques payable to: 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.

The April session will take place one week earlier.

Volunteers are welcome.

Holy Triduum

• Liturgy of Good Friday – 6.00 pm

Maundy Thursday and the Easter Vigil will be celebrated in Aviemore. Nick will co-ordinate transport.

Parish Almsgiving

Palm Sunday Bake Sale

Organised by our children. Contributions of home baking are welcome.

Proceeds will partly support the Wi'am Conflict Resolution Centre, Bethlehem (Diocesan Accompaniment Partner).

From 8 March there will be a display of children's photographs and prayers sent to Bethlehem. Co-ordinated by Hazel.

Informal Evening – Olive & Pine Group

Thursday 12 March at 6.30 pm (Church House).

An insight into Palestinian heritage and the current humanitarian situation.

All are welcome. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Last Sunday

Offertory: £71.00

Heating: £32.30

Attendance: 29

Standing Orders (January): £160

Bank: 83-91-25 | 65628045

Cheques payable to: RC Diocese of Argyll & the Isles – Kingussie

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday – For Allan McGuire RIP

Sunday 10.00 am – For William Stuart & Benefactors

Sunday 11.30 am – For good health and God's blessing for Lusía

Monday – Donor's intention

Tuesday – Holy Souls

Wednesday – Parishioners

Thursday – Holy Souls

Friday – For the forgiveness of sins against the lives of unborn children

Saturday – Available

Sunday 10.00 am – Available

Sunday 11.30 am – Available

Please give as much notice as possible when requesting Mass 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.

Priest's Day Off

Monday is usually Fr Andrew's day off. Please contact him only in the case of an emergency.