

Parish Newsletter 6th Sunday of Easter (Year A) 10th May 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 – Aviemore, 6.00 pm, Vigil Mass of The Ascension of the Lord
- Thursday – Grantown-on-Spey, 10.00 am, The Ascension of the Lord
- Thursday – Kingussie, 6.00 pm, The Ascension of the Lord

PARISH NEWS & NOTICES

Solemnity of The Ascension

On Thursday, 14th May, there will be the Solemnity of The Ascension, a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be a Vigil Mass in Aviemore at 6.00 pm, morning Mass in Grantown-on-Spey at 10.00 am, and an evening Mass in Kingussie at 6.00 pm.

Communications Sunday

Next weekend there will be a second collection to support the work of the Office of Communications and Evangelisation of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland as it continues to share the Gospel through digital media, press, social media, broadcasting, and evangelisation initiatives across the country.

The Litany to Our Lady

The month of May is traditionally dedicated to Our Lady. Throughout May, the Litany to Our Lady will be prayed after weekday Masses.

Polish Heritage Days

Polish Heritage Days will be held at Macdonald Aviemore Resort on 7th June from 12.00 pm to 4.00 pm. They are organised by St Maksymilian Maria Kolbe Polish Community School in Aviemore. More information is available in the attachment.

House Blessings

Easter tide is the traditional time for house blessings. If you would like your home to be blessed, please let me know.

Scalan Annual Mass

On Sunday, 14th June, at 4.00 pm – Scalan, Braes of Glenlivet, AB37 9JS. The site will be open for one hour before and after the Mass. Please note that the area in front of the Seminary, where the seating is placed, is uneven ground and care should be taken.

Diocesan Priesthood

Are you considering diocesan priesthood? The Catholic Church in Scotland invites enquiries from those discerning a vocation to the seminary. For more information, please contact Fr Mark Impson, Director of Vocations: Email: mark.impson@rcda.scot We continue to pray for our transitional deacon, Rene De Los Reyes, and seminarians Anh Tuan Nguyen, Richard Webster, Jason Nunes, and Victor Ezeajughu. Please also pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

ST AIDAN'S, AVIEMORE

Tea & Coffee

After the 11.30 am Sunday Mass. All are welcome.

First Holy Communion

Next Sunday, 17th May, we will celebrate First Holy Communion. Please pray for our seven children and their families.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes will start in June. Those of high school age wishing to receive the Sacrament should sign up with the parish catechist, Eva Palugova: eva.palugova@gmail.com

Greig Allan RIP

It is with great sadness that we report the death of Greig Allan, the son of our well-known parishioner Monka. Our condolences go to Monka and family. His funeral service will be at St Aidan's, Aviemore, on Wednesday, 13th May, at 12.00 noon. Please pray for the repose of his soul.

Gianni Petrolini

Gianni is retiring from grass strimming around our church. A very big thank you for his years of dedicated service as a volunteer in this role. If you would like to volunteer to help with grass strimming around the church, please let me know.

Maintenance Collection

Today is the second Sunday of the month, the traditional day for the maintenance collection. You may wish to support the parish maintenance fund today via the collection basket or the payment terminal at the back of the church. Current project: Replacement of the parish hall door and frame (£2,800, excluding masonry work and possible painting). A second quotation is being sought. April Maintenance Collection: £71.50

Last Sunday

Collection: £239

Attendance: 86

Standing Orders (April): £660.00

GRANTOWN-ON-SPEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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

Maintenance Collection

Today is the second Sunday of the month, the traditional day for the maintenance collection for parish house repairs. There will be a second collection for this fund; alternatively, you could use the payment terminal at the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

Last Sunday

Collection: £31.05

Heating: £37

Attendance: 22

Standing Orders (April): £320.00

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY & ST COLUMBA, KINGUSSIE

Tea & Coffee

All are welcome to join us for tea or coffee after Mass in the Parish House.

Last Sunday Offertory: £62.50 Heating: £43.50 Attendance: 28 Standing Orders (April): £160.00

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday – Holy Souls

Sunday, 10.00 am – For Parishioners

Sunday, 11.30 am – Holy Souls

Monday – Donor's intention

Tuesday – Holy Souls

Wednesday – Donor's intention

Thursday – Holy Souls

Thursday – For Parishioners

Friday – Donor's intention

Saturday – Available

Sunday, 10.00 am – For the souls of the late Stanisława and Ryszard Niemiec, for the grace of heaven

Sunday, 11.30 am – Available

Please give as much notice as possible when requesting Holy Mass intentions. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is at the heart of the Catholic faith. A Mass intention is a special way of remembering a loved one, marking an anniversary, offering a petition, or giving thanks. The customary Mass stipend is not a payment for prayers, but a voluntary contribution towards the upkeep of the clergy.

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

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 below. **Your support is very much appreciated.** You may consider leaving a gift in your Will or Gift Aid your donation. **Thank you for your generosity!**

Aviemore bank account details are:

RCD of Aberdeen: 80-05-40 | 00836987

Cheques payable to: RCD St Aidan's

Grantown on Spey bank account details are:

RCD of Aberdeen 80-05-40 / 00171333

Cheques: RCD St Annes

Kingussie bank account details are:

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83-91-25 / 65628045.

Cheques: Our Lady of the Rosary and St Columba

Priest's Day Off

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