

Parish Newsletter 7th Sunday of Easter (Year A) 17th May 2026

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HOLY MASS TIMES

Saturdays

- Grantown-on-Spey – 5.00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sundays

- Kingussie – 10.00 am
- Aviemore – 11.30 am

Weekdays

- Monday – Aviemore, 10.00 am
- Thursday – Kingussie, 6.00 pm
- Friday – Aviemore, 6.00 pm

PARISH NEWS & NOTICES

Pentecost Sunday

Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday.

Communications Sunday

This weekend, the Church marks Communications Sunday, a day to reflect on how the Gospel is shared through media, digital platforms, broadcasting, and communications. Communications play an important role in helping people stay connected to the life of the Church.

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

Please pray for all those working in Catholic communications and for all who encounter Christ through digital media.

Polish Heritage Days

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

House Blessings

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

ST AIDAN'S, AVIEMORE

Tea & Coffee

Tea and coffee are served after the 11.30 am Sunday Mass. All are welcome.

First Holy Communion

Today we celebrate First Holy Communion. Please pray for our seven children and their families.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes will begin 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

Gianni Petrolini

Gianni is retiring from his volunteer work of grass strimming around our church. A very big thank you for his years of dedicated service in this role.

If you would like to volunteer to help with grass strimming around the church, please let me know.

Last Sunday Collection: £55.50 Maintenance: £45.00 Attendance: 68 Standing Orders (April): £660.00

GRANTOWN-ON-SPEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (Mass at St Columba's Episcopal Church, PH26 3LD)

Last Sunday Collection: £40.00 Parish House Maintenance: £19.00 Attendance: 20 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.

Join Us in Prayer for Our Friends in Palestine

Our parish children have been sending weekly prayers to our friends in Bethlehem. During the month of May, we honour Our Lady and ask her intercession for all those suffering in Palestine.

Please use the attached prayer sheet at home and join in our intercessions at Mass. A community prayer service for the Holy Land is planned for June; the date will be announced soon.

Last Sunday Offertory: £51.80 Heating: £25.20 Attendance: 19 Standing Orders (April): £160.00

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday • Holy Souls

Sunday

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

• 11.30 am – For Parishioners

Monday • Donor's intention

Tuesday • Holy Souls

Wednesday • Donor's intention

Thursday • Holy Souls

Friday • Donor's intention

Saturday • John Walker RIP

Sunday

• 10.00 am – Available

• 11.30 am – For Antoni on his 2nd birthday, for God's blessing and all necessary graces.

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. This week it will be Wednesday. Please contact him only in case of emergency.