

Parish Newsletter, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, 20th September 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
- Wednesday 30th September – Aviemore, 6.00 pm
- Thursday 1st October – Kingussie, 6.00 pm
- Friday 2nd October – Aviemore, 6.00 pm

PARISH NEWS & NOTICES

Plans to Be Away

I will be away from 21 to 29 September. Sunday Masses will be celebrated as usual by Fr Laurence Gambella of St Mary's, Inverness. In the event of an emergency during this time, please contact St Mary's, Inverness, on 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 **Sunday 4 October**.

October, a Month of the Rosary

October is a month dedicated especially to the prayer of the Rosary. During October, after each weekday Mass, we will pray a decade or one part of the Rosary.

50th Anniversary of the Canonisation of St John Ogilvie – Keith

To mark the 50th anniversary of the canonisation of St John Ogilvie, St Thomas', Keith, is holding a special Mass on **Saturday 17 October at 11.00 am**. There will be an opportunity to hear some personal experiences from those who attended the canonisation in Rome, followed by lunch in the hall. **All are welcome!**

Vocations

We continue to pray for our seminarians, **Anh Tuan Nguyen, Richard Webster, Jason Nunes and Victor Ezeajughu**. Please also pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, permanent diaconate and religious life.

ST AIDAN'S, AVIEMORE

Tea & Coffee

Tea and coffee are served after the 11.30 am Sunday Mass. Everyone is warmly welcome.

In Remembrance: 1886–1956

Anastasia (Alice) Keogh, born near Ferns, Co. Wexford, was a remarkable nurse who served during the First World War with the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service. We remember her courage, compassion and dedication, and honour her lasting connection with our church, St Aidan's, which she helped to build and where she is buried. She died on **24 September 1956**, 70 years ago. A wreath will be placed on her grave as a mark of our respect.

First Friday of the Month

Friday 2 October is the First Friday of the month. Mass will be celebrated in Aviemore at **6.00 pm**, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Rosary. Confessions will be available from **5.30 pm**.

Maintenance Collection

Last Sunday was the second Sunday of the month, traditionally dedicated to the Maintenance Collection.

Recently, repairs were carried out to the flat roof above the church entrance. The work included installing new roofing felt and repairing the leaking gutters at the parish house. The total cost of the work was **£500**. **September Maintenance Collection: £76** Thank you for your continued generosity. You can support our parish by contributing to the collection basket or by using the payment terminal at the back of the church.

Last Sunday's Collection: £170.80
Attendance: 63
Standing Orders (August): £510.00

GRANTOWN-ON-SPEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Mass at St Columba's Episcopal Church
126A High Street, Grantown-on-Spey, PH26 3LD

Maintenance Collection

Last Sunday was the second Sunday of the month, traditionally dedicated to the Maintenance Collection for the repair and upkeep of the parish house. Recently, maintenance work was carried out at the parish house at a cost of **£555**. If you were not with us last Sunday, you can support our parish today by contributing to the collection basket or by using the payment terminal at the back of the church. Thank you for your continued generosity. **September Maintenance Collection: £50.00**

Last Sunday's Collection: £102
Attendance: 12
Standing Orders (August): £390.00

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY & ST COLUMBA, KINGUSSIE



Tea & Coffee

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

Patronal Feast of Our Church

The Memorial of **Our Lady of the Rosary**, one of our church's patrons, falls on **Wednesday 7 October**. Since it is the patronal feast of our church, it is celebrated as a Solemnity. Holy Mass will be celebrated that evening at **6.00 pm**, followed by refreshments in the Parish House. All are welcome. Anyone who wishes to contribute to the supper, please contact **Hazel Kay**.

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 19 September – For Parishioners

Sunday 20 September

10.00 am – For Frances Crilly RIP, 1st Anniversary

11.30 am – For Basia & Wojtek, 7th Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday 30 September – Donor's Intention

Thursday 1 October – Donor's Intention

Friday 2 October – For the Forgiveness of Sins Committed Against the Lives of Unborn Children

Saturday 3 October – Available

Sunday 4 October

10.00 am – Available

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 support and 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. You may consider leaving a gift in your Will or Gift Aid your donation. **Your support is very much appreciated. 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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