Parish Newsletter, 1st November 2026. The Solemnity of All Saints, Year A,

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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

• Monday - Kingussie 4.00 pm
• Wednesday – Grantown on Spey 10.00 am
• Thursday Aviemore 6.00 pm
• Friday – Aviemore 6.00 pm

PARISH NEWS & NOTICES

All Saints and All the Faithful Departed
Next Sunday is the Solemnity of All Saints. Monday 2 November is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day).

November – Remembering Our Dearly Departed
During November, it is our tradition to pray in a special way for our deceased loved ones. If you would like a Holy Mass to be offered for deceased family members or friends, please contact one of the priests.

60th Birthday Celebration – Thank You!
As many of you know, on Wednesday 28 October I celebrated my 60th birthday! Thank you all so much for your kind birthday wishes, cards and gifts. I had a wonderful celebration with parishioners and friends in Aviemore Parish Hall. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped organise the celebration and contributed to making it such a special and memorable occasion. I am truly grateful for your kindness, generosity and friendship. God bless you all!

ST AIDAN'S, AVIEMORE

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

First Friday of the Month
This Friday, 6 November, 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
Sunday 8 November is the second Sunday of the month, traditionally dedicated to our Maintenance Collection, which helps cover the costs of repairs and upkeep of our parish buildings. Recent repairs to the parish hall doors and the parish house cost a total of £559.49. The October Maintenance Collection raised £178. If you are unable to join us next Sunday, you can still support the Maintenance Fund by placing a donation in the collection basket or using the payment terminal at the back of the church. Thank you for your continued generosity!

Last Sunday's Collection: £73
Attendance: 37
Standing Orders (September): £510.00

GRANTOWN-ON-SPEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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

Maintenance Collection
Sunday 8 November is the second Sunday of the month, traditionally dedicated to our Maintenance Collection, which helps fund the repair and upkeep of the parish house.Recently, external painting work was carried out on the porch and the front and side walls of the parish house, at a total cost of £330. The October Maintenance Collection raised £36.00.
Thank you for your continued generosity! You can support the upkeep of our parish by placing a donation in the collection basket or using the payment terminal at the back of the church.

Last Sunday's Collection: £73
Attendance: 21
Standing Orders (September): £390.00

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY & ST COLUMBA, KINGUSSIE

Tea & Coffee
Everyone is warmly welcome to join us for tea and coffee in the parish house after Mass.

All Souls' Day – Monday 2 November
Monday is All Souls' Day. If you would like the names of deceased loved ones to be remembered at Holy Mass on All Souls' Day (at 4.00 pm) and throughout November, perhaps also with a named candle, please speak to a member of the welcome team at the back of the church. They have the necessary forms and can also accept contributions towards the cost of a candle.

Columba Club Winners
October's Columba Club winners are Rebecca Thomson (No. 228) and Claire Griffiths (No. 118).

Church Cleaning
Church cleaning usually takes place on the first Sunday of the month. However, as this Sunday is the Solemnity of All Saints, we will postpone cleaning until next Sunday, 8 November. Anyone who is able to help will be most welcome. Many hands make light work!

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday – For Parishioners
Sunday
10.00 am – For the repose of the souls of Jan and Józefa Niemiec, Stanisława and Ryszard Niemiec, and Stanisław Ryczek
11.30 am – For Stanisław Łuczak RIP

Monday – For the Holy Souls
Tuesday – Donor's Intention
Wednesday – Donor's Intention
Thursday – Donor's Intention
Friday – For the Forgiveness of Sins Committed Against the Lives of Unborn Children

Saturday – Available
Sunday
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.

Coffee Morning Postponed
Following the recent diocesan consultation, and with preparations for the forthcoming Confirmations and Advent, we have decided to postpone the coffee morning originally planned for mid-November. We now hope to hold this fundraising event in late winter, supporting both Mary's Meals and our parish. We will provide further details after Christmas.

Led by the Spirit
As you may know, the Diocese of Argyll and the Isles is currently undertaking a process of discernment about the missionary mission and future direction of the Diocese and its parishes. Further information and resources are available at: https://www.ledbythespirit.rcdai.org.uk/discerning-mission/
Those who receive the newsletter by email will also find an attachment containing information about diocesan and parish finances. This information is publicly available and can also be accessed through the diocesan website, where you will find further details about the discernment process.

Last Sunday's Collection: £30.90
Heating: £30.50
Attendance: 15
Standing Orders (September): £260.00

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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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 Tuesday, because of All Souls Day. Please contact him only in case of emergenc