

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF
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SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass on Saturday – 6.00 pm
Sunday Mass – 9.15 am; 11.15 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday – No Mass
Tuesday – Mass – 9.30 am
Wednesday – Mass – 9.30 am
Thursday – Mass – 9.30 am
Friday – Solemnity of Mary Mother of God – Mass – 11.15 am
Saturday – Mass – 9.30 am

NO MASSES

CHURCH CLOSED FOR REPARATION



St Anthony's
3 St Mary's Close
KIRRIEMUIR
Angus DD8 4GW

9.15 am Mass
Georgina Sampson

First Reading
Genesis 15: 1 – 6. 21: 1 - 3
Response to the Psalm 104

11.15 am Mass
Jim Johnston

*He, the Lord, is our God.
He remembers his covenant for ever.*

Georgina Sampson

Second Reading
Hebrews 11: 8. 11 – 12. 17 - 19

Jim Johnston

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 2: 22 - 40

At various times in the past and in various different ways, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but in our own time, the last days, he has spoken to us through his Son.

Alleluia!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION & DONATIONS

St Fergus – Vigil – £46.00
St Anthony's – Sunday – £57.00
St Fergus – Sunday – £34.00
TOTAL £137.00
Building Fund £55.00
Christmas Offerings £504.00

SICK, DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:
John Quinn, Sadie Callan, Felix Baird
Aaron Durning, Thelma Ellis, Andrzej Axenti,
Mgr. John Harty, Susan St Amand, Annette Fraserburgh
the recently deceased
and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

CORONAVIRUS PRAYER: Lord Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages curing every disease and illness. At your command the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbours from helping one another. Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders. Lord Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace. Be with the families of those who are sick or who have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace. Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace. Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth. Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Lord Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. Lord Jesus Christ, heal us. **AMEN**

COVID-19 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to the recent announcements by the Prime Minister in Westminster and particularly of the First Minister in Holyrood, there will need to be some adjustments to our working arrangements concerning the near future. As a result, the following will apply: **1.** Working from home wherever possible, and Mass obligation suspended for now. **2.** No travel between England and Scotland to help prevent or hinder the spread of the new mutant strain of Coronavirus 19 which has up to 70% increased transmissibility. This applies as from Monday 21st for some modes of transport, earlier for others, but certainly from **26/12/2020** in most areas of Scotland, including our own diocese. Additionally, the whole area of the diocese, is to move into Tier 4. **3.** The most direct consequence of this as far as we are concerned is the **MASS ATTENDANCE WILL BE RESTRICTED TO A MAXIMUM OF 20 PEOPLE FROM 26/12**. This will have greater consequences for the Sundays of the Holy Family 27/12/2020, the Solemnity of the Mother of God 1/1/21, the Second Sunday of Christmas 3/1/21, the Solemnity of the Epiphany (6/1/21), and The Baptism of the Lord (10/1/21). It is possible that these arrangements could last longer than this, indeed further into January. Please continue to observe the customary rules of social distancing, mask wearing, and sanitising strictly as long as the emergency lasts. You may also wish to attend the Mass during the week to spread the load.

BOOKING FOR SUNDAY MASS

To reserve a place for the Sunday Mass during the period I will be away, please email Zofia Korabiowska-Smith: marzo_ks@hotmail.com or text: **07720966091**. Thank you.

MY FAMILY VISIT

I will be travelling to Nigeria to visit my family from 6th to 30th **January 2021**. During this period, **Bishop Stephen Robson** will celebrate all the Sunday Masses. As he will be able to celebrate **only** the Masses on Sunday, he has asked me to cancel the Vigil Mass. So, during this period, there will be no Vigil Mass on Saturday, and all the Masses will continue to be celebrated in **St Fergus Church** until I return. We sincerely thank him for his help, and I hope that you will show him the hospitality and warmth for which our parish community has come to be known. Please note that during this period, there will be no Weekday Masses. If anyone has an urgent pastoral need for a priest while I am away, please feel free to contact **Fr. Jim High** in Montrose on **01674-672208** or any of the priests in neighbouring parishes for attention.