WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF

ST FERGUS, FORFAR & ST ANTHONY'S, KIRRIEMUIR

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SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass on Saturday – 6.00pm Sunday - 11.15am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 9.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Immediately after Mass

Thursday 9.30am

Friday – 7.00pm – **Stations of the Cross** Saturday 4.30 - 5.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation, or on request

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

Gospel

09.15 Mass 11.15 Mass

Joshua 5: 9 - 12 **Georgina Sampson First Reading Margaret McCauley**

Response to the Psalm 33

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Georgina Sampson Second Reading 2 Corinthians 5: 17 - 21 **Margaret McCauley**

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Luke 15: 1 – 3, 11 - 32

"Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you."

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Georgina Sampson Bidding Prayers Margaret McCauley

READERS / BIDDING PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 03 April 2022 Anne Pender **Margaret Mitchell**

> **OFFERTORY COLLECTION & DONATIONS** SICK, DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

St Fergus – Vigil £59.80 Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: St Anthony - Sunday £85.00 Sheena Gallagher, Eileen Morgan, Ann Saba, St Fergus - Sunday £81.50 Andrzej Axenti, Bruce Durning, Annete Fraserburgh, **TOTAL** £226.30 Anne Simmonds, John Quinn, Gerry Quinn, Thelma Ellis,

Building Fund £25.00 the recently deceased:

Ukraine Appeal & Sales £474.61

Repository (Cards) Kirriemuir £25.00 and those whose anniversaries occur at this time Repository (Cards) Forfar £17.63 Vic Fisher, Jeff Sanderson, James Kerr

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

DEAR VISITORS, If you would like to help our small parish, you can do this by "Gift-Aiding" your collection to us today. If you are a tax payer, simply put your offering in the envelopes provided in the church porch and complete your name, address and date. We will then receive an additional **25p** per £1.00 of your offering which would make a big difference to us. Many thanks.

MOTHERING SUNDAY

I wish to use this medium to extend very warm and heartfelt congratulations to all mothers and those who play the role of mothers in one way or another in our parish. May God continue to bless and reward you abundantly for the love and care you show to your children and wards.

MAGNIFICAT MAGAZINE: We are pleased to let you know that the digital Holy Week and April issues are available, free, at the following link: <u>www.magnificat.com/april</u> For individual subscriptions to MAGNIFICAT please visit: <u>https://catholicherald.co.uk/magnificat/</u> Two Year Offers: Magnificat + Companions = £106; Magnificat Only = £92; One Year Offers: Magnificat + Companions = £55; Magnificat Only = £47; Important: May/June Bundle Now On Sale.

SYNODALITY – PARISH LISTENING GROUPS

Please, remember to join one of the Parish Listening Groups which are planned. St Anthony's is on today 27 March and St Fergus' will be next Sunday 3 April 2022 immediately after the Mass, respectively. There will also be a Parish Zoom Listening Meeting on Tuesday 5 April at 7 pm. This is a further opportunity to listen to others and express your own views on Church. We look forward to your active participation. Thank you.

UPDATE ON THE DISCUSSION HELD AT THE BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF SCOTLAND ON THE RELAXATIONS OF COVID RESTRICTIONS

As more Covid restrictions are lifted in Scotland on 21st March, 2022 parishes are asked to continue to observe the legal requirement to wear face coverings (except where existing exemptions apply).

In addition, parishes are asked to observe the following principles:

- Please respect the space of fellow parishioners where possible.
- Hands should be sanitised on entering and exiting the Church.
- Continue to ensure good ventilation.

The Bishops thank all parishes, priests, and volunteers for all their efforts during the past 2 years and encourage all Catholics to return with confidence to our celebration of Holy Mass and the Sacraments, the source and summit of our faith.

FAQs:

• What about cleaning? Should parishes maintain the rigorous cleaning regimes adopted during the pandemic to date?

Cleaning regimes may revert to pre-pandemic levels of cleaning.

• What about the sign of peace?

The sign of peace would be better discontinued until further notice.

• Can we use confessionals again?

This is not advised, for the present moment, given the lack of ventilation.

- Feet may be washed during the Mass of the Lord's Supper in places where it is customarily practiced.
- The protocols surrounding the administration of Holy Communion are to be continued until further notice.
- Holy Communion under both kinds should not be administered to the faithful.
- Holy Communion for priest concelebrants should continue by intinction from the chalice.

LENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE WITH GENERAL ABSOLUTION

Our parish Reconciliation Service this Lent will be celebrated in Forfar on **Monday April 4** and in Kirriemuir on **Tuesday April 5** at **7.00 pm** respectively. I am delighted to announce that once more during this Lent we are allowed to celebrate the Lent Liturgies of Reconciliation with a General Absolution. Please, make use of the opportunity to prepare well for Easter. Thank you.

PARISH SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a special collection this Sunday for Papal & Episcopal Charities (including SCIAF). Please donate generously.

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