The Salvation Army Band returns to Forfar on **Sunday 11 December 2022** at the Lowson Memorial Church at 6.30 pm. Profits from the evening will go towards the Lowson Foodbank to help meet the demands for this service in Forfar.

Ecumenical News

St Margaret's Church of Scotland in Forfar is in the planning stage for this year's FACT Big Sing which is on Sunday 18 December at 7 pm. This will, God willing, be the first restriction free FACT Big Sing, since 2019, so we're hoping for a good attendance. All proceeds collected at the FACT Big Sing will be donated to Christian Aid. Other Forfar Churches have been kind enough to help with volunteers over the years and St Fergus have been asked if we could provide volunteers for the Welcome/Door and/or help with refreshments. If you are able to help, please contact Derek McInally on 07974887303.

Let's Enjoy Carol Singing!

The Children's & Adults' Carol Service at St Fergus Church Hall on Sunday 18th December 2022 at 12.15pm. Enter your Children's names in the list at the back of both churches.

Christmas Services in Forfar & Kirriemuir Churches

- 24th December Carol Service & Vigil Holy Mass in Kirriemuir at 5.30pm
- 24th December Carol Service & Vigil Holy Mass in Forfar at 9.00pm.
- 25th December Day Holy Mass in Kirriemuir at 9.30 am.
- 25th December Day Holy Mass in Forfar at 11.15 am.



CHRISTMAS CARDS, ADVENT CALENDARS AND 2023 CALENDARS

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SUNDAY MASSES

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Vigil Mass on Saturday - 6.00pm \\ Sunday - 11.15am \end{tabular}$

WEEKDAY MASSES

Thursday 10.00am

Saturday 4.30 - 5.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation, or on request

SUNDAY MASS

Sunday - 9.15am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Friday 09.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation in Forfar, or on request



09.15 Mass Gavin Gowans First Reading Isaiah 35: 1 – 6. 10

11.15 Mass Margaret Mitchell

Response to the Psalm 145

Come, Lord, and save us.

Second Reading

Gavin Gowans St James 5 : 7 - 10

Margaret Mitchell

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.

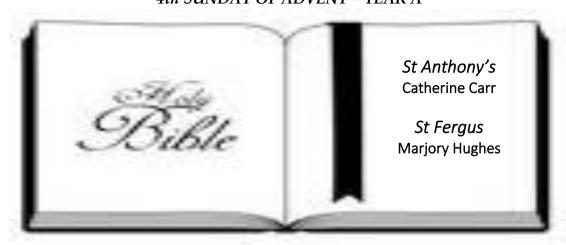
Matthew 11: 2 - 11

Gospel

Alleluia.

Gavin Gowans Bidding Prayers Margaret Mitchell

READERS & BIDDING PRAYERS SUNDAY 18th DECEMBER 2022 4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR A



MEMORARE

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to you do I come; before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



Thanks Gift Aid!

PLEASE NOTE that the Gift Aid Scheme is completely **CONFIDENTIAL**. It is a requirement of **LAW** that anyone who completes a **Gift Aid Form** must ensure that they pay tax and that it must be enough to cover the donation. If you do, then the church would receive 25p for every £1.00 donated to the church funds. This extra revenue would greatly benefit our church. If you wish to do so, then ask Father for Gift Aid envelopes to use every week. Thank you



Those who are sick:

Sheena Gallagher, Eileen Morgan, Anne Simmonds, Andrzej Axenti, Annete Fraserburgh, Gerry Quinn, Thelma Ellis, Robin Mathew Bruce & Aaron Durning

the recently deceased:

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time

JAMES QUINN

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

Please insert names into the book on or before the Sunday at the beginning of the week in which the anniversary occurs so that the name can be noted or email name to bctj02@outlook.com



Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Groups:

Kaye Cattanach St Anthony's



CATECHISM CLASS Monday at 4.30pm in St Fergus

Zo Korabiowska-Smith
St Fergus

TEAS AND COFFEES



Tea, Coffee and Biscuits are available after both Sunday morning Masses. Please support the parishioners who provide this and meet parishioners and visitors alike.

TEAS AND COFFEES

A list is available at the back of St Fergus Church for those willing to help, on a rota basis, to make the teas and coffees. Thank you.

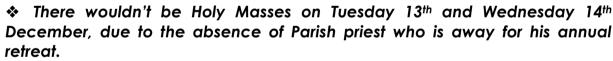
ST FERGUS CHURCH HALL

Please note that St Fergus' hall is available for community use and individual events such as birthday party, marriage anniversary party, children's parties etc. For further information please contact Derek McInally (07974887303) or Parish Priest.

PARISH WEEKLY NEWS ITEMS



Tuesday 13th December – St Lucy – Memorial Wednesday 14th December – St John of The Cross - Memorial



- ❖ There will be common penitential services with general absolution in preparation of Christmas celebration on Wednesday, 21st December in Forfar and on Thursday, 22nd December in Kirriemuir at 7.00pm.
- ❖ Please Note: If anyone wants private confession, Parish priest is available in Forfar and Kirriemuir churches after penitential services. And He is also available in St Fergus' Church, Forfar on 23rd and 24th December at 4.00pm to 5.00pm

DONATIONS FOR VOUCHERS

A box is available at the back of the church for donations to buy vouchers for food for people less fortunate than ourselves and it is hoped that we can make a difference for them.

SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

The Diocese of Dunkeld Annual Safeguarding Statement, November 2022, is available to view on the Diocesan website

