

Alfi from Gallowshade Community Council presents Fr Dijo with a Christmas tree in thanks for the use of St Fergus Church hall for their weekly meetings



Ecumenical News

Thanks to all who supported a very enjoyable evening provided by the Salvation Army Brass Band last week. The concert raised over £1,000 for the Lawson's Food Bank.

Thank you

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 in St Fergus Church Hall takes place today, Sunday 18th December 2022 at 12.15pm. Please come along and join in the fun.

Christmas Services in Forfar & Kirriemuir Churches

- 24th December Carol Service & Vigil Holy Mass in Kirriemuir at 5.30pm. **The Tea and Coffee will be provided immediately after Holy Mass in the Church Hall at Kirriemuir.**
- 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.

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18th DECEMBER 2022
4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR A

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF
ST FERGUS, FORFAR & ST ANTHONY'S, KIRRIEMUIR
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FORFAR
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SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass on Saturday – 6.00pm
Sunday - 11.15am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 10.00am
Thursday 10.00am

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

SUNDAY MASS
Sunday - 9.15am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.30am
Novena to St Anthony
immediately after Mass

Friday 10.30am
Holy Mass for Sick & House bond
And Tea & Coffee

Sacrament of Reconciliation in Forfar,
or on request



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

09.15 Mass
Catherine Carr

First Reading
Isaiah 7: 10 - 14

11.15 Mass
Marjory Hughes

Response to the Psalm 23

Let the Lord enter!
He is the king of glory.

Catherine Carr

Romans 1 : 1 - 7

Marjory Hughes

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia, alleluia*

*The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son
and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which
means "God is with us". Alleluia.*

Gospel
Matthew 1: 18 - 24

Catherine Carr

Bidding Prayers

Marjory Hughes

READERS & BIDDING PRAYERS
SUNDAY 25th DECEMBER 2022
CHRISTMAS DAY – YEAR A



St Anthony's
Anne Pender

St Fergus
Geoff Bray

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.

COLLECTIONS FOR SUNDAY 11 December 2022	
St Fergus -Vigil	£50.30
St Fergus -Sunday	£59.00
St Anthony -Sunday	£62.50
TOTAL	£171.80
Teas / Coffee – Forfar	£
Teas / Coffee – Kirriemuir	£
Building Fund – Donation	£20.00
Donation – GA	£
Special Collection	£
Candles - Kirriemuir	£
Candles – Forfar	£
Repository – Forfar	£
TOTAL	£191.80

**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

SICK
DECEASED &
ANNIVERSARIES
Please remember
in your prayers

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
C L M HAY, HELEN BURNS,
ANNIE BLACK

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

Zo Korabiowska-Smith
St Fergus



CATECHISM
CLASS
Monday at
4.30pm in
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 McNally (07974887303) or Parish Priest.

PARISH WEEKLY NEWS ITEMS

FEAST DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS 2023

PENITENTIAL SERVICES

❖ 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. 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

