

**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 10.00am  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
immediately after Mass**

Thursday 10.00am

Saturday 4.30pm – 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 9.30am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation in Forfar,  
or on request**



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

**First Reading**  
**Zephaniah 2: 3; 3:12 – 13**

**Response to the Psalm 145**  
*How happy are the poor in spirit;  
theirs is the kingdom of heaven*

**Second Reading**  
**St Paul to the Corinthians 1: 26 – 31**

**Readers and Bidding Prayers**  
**9.15am Mass – Gavin Gowans**  
**11.15am Mass – Helen Flight**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2023**  
**9.15am Mass – Irene Miller**  
**11.15am Mass – Victoria Zimmerman**

**Gospel:**  
**Matthew 5 : 1 - 12**

**Gospel Acclamation**  
**Alleluia, alleluia!**

*Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,  
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.*  
**Alleluia.**

**FEAST & MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK**  
**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January - St John Bosco – MEMORIAL**  
**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – The Presentation of the Lord – FEAST**  
**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – World Day of Consecrated Life**

## COLLECTIONS FOR 22 January 2023

St Fergus	Vigil	£79.00
St Fergus –	Sunday	£73.40
St Anthony's -	Sunday	<u>£121.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>£273.40</u></b>

Special Collection – White Flower £210.02

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**On Sunday, 19 February, there will be a special collection for the Ecclesiastical Students Fund**

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### **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:

**John Gunning, Mageda Korabiowska**

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

**Please email [bctj02@outlook.com](mailto:bctj02@outlook.com) if you wish names to be added into the newsletter.**

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### **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. 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.



**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.

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**Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Groups** Please note that the Child Protection Officers are Kaye Cattanach for Kirriemuir and Zo Korabiowska-Smith for Forfar.



### **CATECHISM CLASS:**

Catechism classes are on **Monday** in St Fergus Church at 4.30pm

### **Diary Dates**

St Fergus has been asked to host the World Day of Prayer on **Friday 3 March 2023 at 2 pm**. This will be open to Christians across Forfar. It will be nice to see a good representation from our Parish in St Fergus.

Kirriemuir Churches Together (KCT) will meet in St Anthony's on **Wednesday 29 March 2023** at 7.00pm. Please think of keeping this date free in your diary and support the Parish with your attendance.

### **HOLY WATER**

Holy Water, at the entrance to the church, is to be reintroduced. A notice will be placed beside the Holy Water vessel to remind all parishioners that they must sanitise their hands before using the Holy Water.

### **CHILDRENS TOYS**

Can parents please make sure that the toys borrowed from the back of the church are returned after Mass.

### **CATECHISM - vacancy**

If any parishioner would like to help teach the Children's Catechism please speak to Father DiJo.



**New Dawn** is a Catholic group that organises religious events throughout Scotland. The latest of these events will take place in St Peter and St Paul's Church, 29 Bryon Street, Dundee DD3 6QN on Saturday 11 February 2023. The day starts 10am Mass celebrated by Bishop Steven Robson Emeritus.

**Medical Aid in Dying: Learning the Lessons from Canada's Euthanasia Experience.** You are invited to join Professor Leonie Herx and Professor David Galloway, in Glasgow as they discuss the lessons Scotland can learn from Canada about assisted suicide on Tuesday 31st January 7pm to 9pm at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, 232-242 Saint Vincent Street, Glasgow, G2 5RJ - The Princess Alexandra Room.

### **CARING FOR GOD'S CREATION**

**The Letter** is a free online screening on 2nd February and was made in response to Pope Francis' Laudato Si Encyclical about caring for God's creation and what we can do to stop destroying it. The screening will be introduced by Bishop Brian McGee and I would encourage as many as possible to watch. The link is

<https://www.facebook.com/100072562805289/posts/pfbid0tSi8GzRVhJSipednD3ozBXxmBb2XtWocDjE6LCF3tiyt7qgraQ8kAAMffdvA7jTol/?sfnsn=scwspmo>

### **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.

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