

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF
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SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass on Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.15am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 10.00am

Ash Wednesday Mass

Thursday 10.00am

Holy Mass, thereafter

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 4.30pm – 5.30pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation
or on request**



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

SUNDAY MASS

Sunday 9.15am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 06.30pm

**Novena to St Anthony
immediately after Mass**

Wednesday 6.00pm

Ash Wednesday Mass

Friday 9.30am

**Stations of the Cross immediately after
Mass**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

in Forfar, or on request

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

email bctj02@outlook.com

First Reading

Leviticus 19: 1 – 2. 17 - 18

Readers and Bidding Prayers

9.15am Mass – Alisdair MacDonald

11.15am Mass – Anne Cormie

Response to the Psalm 102

The Lord is compassion and love.

Sunday 26th February 2023

9.15am Mass – Margaret Newton

11.15am Mass – Martin Korabiowski-Smith

Second Reading

St Paul to the Corinthians 3 : 16 - 23

Gospel:

Matthew 5 : 38 - 48

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.*

Alleluia.

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.**

FEAST & MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Wednesday 22nd February is Ash Wednesday and a day of Fasting and Abstinence

Friday 24th February is the Day of Prayer for Those who have Suffered Abuse

COLLECTIONS FOR 12 February 2023

St Fergus	Vigil	£113.43
St Fergus –	Sunday	£61.55
St Anthony's -	Sunday	<u>£85.90</u>
TOTAL		<u>£260.88</u>

Building Fund	£26.00
Tea/Coffee – Forfar	£
Tea/Coffee – Kirriemuir	£
Candles – Forfar	£
Candles – Kirriemuir	£
Repository – Forfar	£
Repository – Kirriemuir	£
Flowers - Kirriemuir	£
	£26.00
	<u>£260.88</u>
TOTAL	<u>£286.88</u>

SPECIAL COLLECTION DATES

Today 19th February 2023
Ecclesiastical Students Fund

Sunday 26th February 2023
Building Fund



CATECHISM CLASS

Monday
St Fergus Church
4.30pm

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

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

SICK, DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:



Rev Fr John Mundackal CST, 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:

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

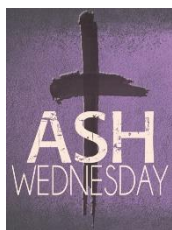
Please email bctj02@outlook.com if you wish names to be added into the newsletter.

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.

ASH WEDNESDAY 22nd February 2023 Season of Lent begins



The words that accompany the imposition of ashes on our foreheads at Mass are very similar to the words of the priest holding a handful of earth at the graveside: **“for we are dust, and unto dust we shall return”**; we are reminded of our mortality, and thus our need for God.

Friday 24th February 2023

Day of Prayer for Those who have Suffered Abuse

Drooping heads in mock fasting and repentance is not God's way, says today's scripture. Our heads must be lifted high as God's lively prophets, renouncing all political and social oppression, sheltering the homeless and recycling our clothing to feed the needy. Fasting from inward-looking selfishness is called for today.

Diary Dates

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place on **Tuesday 21st February 2023 at 7.00pm** in St Anthony's Church Hall Kirriemuir. All welcome.

World Day of Prayer 2023
Friday 3 March 2023 at 7.00pm in St Fergus.



KIRRIEMUIR CHURCHES TOGETHER

St Anthony's on Wednesday 29 March 2023 at 7.00pm

LOURDES DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE 2023



The Dunkeld Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place this year from 14th to 21st of July. You can currently place a note of interest with Joe Walsh Tours at <https://joewalshstours.co.uk> and application forms should be in parishes over the next few weeks. If you, or anyone you know, would like more information about our pilgrimage, the services offered by the Dunkeld Lourdes Service (yellow t-shirts) or our medical team please contact Ruth Anne O'Neill on ruthanne@pobox.com or 07801 227443.

Holy Relic of St Anthony



Fr Dijo is very pleased to announce that he has acquired a Holy Relic of St Anthony from Bishop Stephen Robson. This Relic has come from Padua, Italy, and is recognised as a First Class Relic of the Saint which is now placed next to St. Anthony's statue in the Kirriemuir church. There is also an authentication certificate which will be on display in due course. This identifies that the Relic has touched some part of the Saint's remains, which are in the Basilica of St Anthony's in Padua. The Kirriemuir church is dedicated to the Saint, so it is a wonderful gift to our Parish. Through his work in Padua, he became a loved and admired Saint. In the Catholic Church sharing the faith through simplicity - which led him in becoming a Doctor of the Church. He is often invoked to help recover lost items, among other intentions. St Anthony's feast day is traditionally celebrated on the 13th June, but you can pray a Novena to him at any time. The Novena to St Anthony will be recited every Tuesday after the 9:30 Mass in Kirriemuir.

St. Anthony Pray for us.



“Synodality” describes the way the entire Church - all of the baptized - seeks to discern together where the Holy Spirit is leading us right now. In October 2021, Pope Francis announced a two-year process of listening and dialogue of the Catholic Church, known

as the “Synod on Synodality.” Last week saw Pope Francis meet with representatives to listen to reports from around the world.

Bishop Brian McGee of Argyll and the Isles led the Scottish Delegation to the Continental Synodal Assembly in Prague last weekend. He was joined by:

Fr Gerard Maguiness, General Secretary of the Bishops Conference.
Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM, St Andrews & Edinburgh Archdiocese.
Mrs June Clunie from Paisley Diocese.

In addition, there were nine other online participants from Scotland, representing every diocese in the country.



The Parish has been given an under-18 Season ticket to watch all Forfar Athletic Football matches. The ticket has no name on it and so can be used by different people at each game. If you, or someone you know, would benefit from the ticket please see Fr Dijo.