# **30th APRIL 2023** 4th Sunday of Easter – Year A

## WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF

# ST FERGUS, FORFAR & ST ANTHONY'S, KIRRIEMUIR

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SUNDAY MASSES (07.05.2023)Sunday 11.15am

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 10.00am

Thursday 10.00am

Saturday 4.30pm - 5.30pm**Sacrament of Reconciliation** or on request \*\*\*\*\*\*\*



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

SUNDAY MASS (07.05.2023)Vigil Mass on Saturday 6.30pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.30am Novena to St Anthony immediately after Mass thereafter **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** 

Friday 9.30am

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 Readers and Bidding Prayers** Acts of the Apostles 2: 14. 36 - 41 9.15am Mass – Irene Miller 11.15am Mass - Maureen Jackson

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Response to the Psalm 22 The Lord is my shepherd; 9.15am Mass there is nothing I shall want. 11.15am Mass – Helen Flight

**Second Reading** Gospel: First letter of St Peter 2: 20 - 25 John 10: 1 - 10

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!

> I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. 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 Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May - St Athanasius - MEMORIAL Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - St Philip & St James - FEAST

#### **COLLECTIONS FOR 23rd April 2023 SPECIAL COLLECTION DATES** Today 30th April 2023 St Fergus Vigil f72 20 St Fergus -Sunday £68.00 **Building Fund** St Anthony's -Sunday £104.40 Sunday 14th May 2023 TOTAL £244.60 **Apostolate of Communications Building Fund** £ Tea/Coffee - Forfar £ Tea/Coffee - Kirriemuir £ Candles - Forfar £ Candles - Kirriemuir £ Repository – Forfar £ CATECHISM CLASS Repository - Kirriemuir £ Monday Donation - Hall £60.00 **St Fergus Church** £60.00 4.30pm £244.60 **TOTAL** £304.60

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**.

GIFT AID

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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# SICK, &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, Margaret McCauley

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 <u>bctj02@outlook.com</u> 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.

## ST ATHANASIUS (MEMORIAL)

St Athanasius (295 – 373) became Bishop of Alexandria, Egypt, in 328. Much of his time and energy was taken up with the long-running struggle with the Arian heresy. This spoke of Jesus as being somehow less than God, rather than True God and True Man, which is the Faith of the Church. He suffered much for true doctrine and opponents forced him out of Alexandria on five occasions totalling 17 of the 45 years he was bishop there.

## ST PHILIP AND ST JAMES (FEAST

St Philip and St James were two of the Twelve Apostles. Saint Philip spread the Faith in Greece and Turkey, being martyred there in AD 80. St James, called the Lesser, meaning the younger to distinguish him from St John's brother, was Bishop of Jerusalem and was martyred there in the year AD 62. He wrote the "Letter of Saint James" which one of the most easily read parts of the New Testament, containing practical advice on living the Christian Life.



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**7<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023** 

A list for donations of food and drink for the reception for the

children is at the back of the church. If you can donate something, please put your name and what you are donating on the list. Thank you.

HOUSE VISIT AND EASTER BLESSING

Father Dijo is planning to have house visits to give an Easter Blessing. If you wish to have this visit, there is a list at the back of the church with various dates to choose from. Please write your name, address, phone number and time suitable for you against any of the dates on the list. Thank you.

The 100 Club is now up and running and the first draw shall take place after Mass in Forfar today.



Please see Philip Jackson or Geoff Bray in Forfar and Kaye Cattanach in Kirriemuir for tickets. Good luck.

# MASS TO MARK THE RETIREMENT OF BISHOP ROBSON

There will be a Holy Mass to mark Bishop Robson's retirement in St Andrew's Cathedral on Thursday 11 May at 7pm. All the parishioners are invited to concelebrate that Mass and to have light refreshments in the Cathedral Hall afterwards. Please note down this event in your dairy.