

DIOCESE OF DUNKELD

Scottish Charity No: -
SC001810



St Fergus'
94 Glenogil Terrace
FORFAR
Angus DD8 1NG

SUNDAY MASSES
Vigil Mass Saturday at 6.00pm

Sunday Mass 1115 am

WEEKDAY MASSES
Wednesday & Thursday @
10am.
Each Wednesday – Rosary
immediately after Mass
Last Wednesday of the month –
Rosary, Exposition of The Blessed
Sacrament and Benediction
immediately after Mass.



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

**SUNDAY Adoration of the Holy
Sacrament at 08-45am Sunday
Mass at 9-15**

WEEKDAY MASSES Each
Tuesday – 0930 Novena to St
Anthony immediately after mass.

1st Tuesday of the month. Rosary
and Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament immediately after Mass.

**Friday: Adoration of the Holy
Sacrament at 0900: Holy Mass at
0930.**

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

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF
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18th January 2026
2nd Sunday Ordinary
Time

Children's Liturgy
25th January – see
over page

Second Collection

Today - None

2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time Year A
First Reading:
The Prophet Isaiah 49:3,4-6
*I will make you as a light for the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth*

Psalms 40
Behold, I have come, Lord, to do your will
Second Reading:
1 Corinthians 1:1-3
Grace to you and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, Alleluia!
*The word became flesh and dwelt among us; to all
who did receive him, he gave the authority to
become children of God*
Alleluia!
The Gospel
John 1:29-34
*Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin
of the world*

Today - Readers & Bidding Prayers:
9.15am – Alan Draper
11.15am – Margaret Mitchell

Next Sunday 25th January
3rd Sunday Ordinary Time Year A
9.15am Mass –Menite Okoye-John
11.15am Mass – Geoff Bray
Second Collection dates:
25/01–Building Fund
08/02-Ecclesiastical Students Fund
22/02-Building Fund
15/03-Papal & Episcopal Charities
29/03- Building Fund
Feast, Memorials, Holydays etc.
Monday-St Faolan (Dunkeld)-Memorial
Wednesday- St Agnes – Memorial
Thursday-StVincent–optional memorial
Saturday–St Francis de Sales–memorial
Tuesday (optional) – Ss Fabian & Sebastian

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.

<u>Offertories</u>	<u>Special Collections etc.</u>
<u>Baptism of Christ Yr A 11/01/26</u>	Collection Vigil Mass £
Combined Vigil Mass £67.85	Collection Forfar inc. Vigil £
St Fergus Sunday Mass £92.50	Collection Kirriemuir £
St Anthony Sunday Mass £64.27	<u>Collection Total</u> £
Total (1) = £224.62	<u>Building Fund Total (4)</u> £
	Second Collection Forfar £
	Second Collection Kirriemuir £
	Tea/Coffee Forfar £
	Tea/Coffee Kirriemuir £
	Candles Kirriemuir £
	Candles Forfar £
	Flowers Kirriemuir £
	Flowers Forfar £
	Repository Forfar £
	Repository Kirriemuir £

Parish Safeguarding Please note that the Parish Safeguarders for Kirriemuir are Kaye Donaldson and at Forfar Zofia Korabiowska-Smith.

Could parents please make sure that any toys or books borrowed from the back of the church are returned after Mass. Thank you.

TEA, COFFEE & BISCUITS: available after both Sunday Masses. Why not come along for a natter and meet up with other visitors, friends and other parishioners alike. There are no strangers here, only friends who have never yet met. A rota list is available at both churches if you would like to assist in the provision of this facility. Donations gratefully accepted.

Gift Aid - Please Note 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 sufficient to cover the donation. Offerings made under Gift Aid allows the church to claim 25p for every £1.00 donated from HMRC. The extra revenue greatly benefits our churches. If you wish to claim 'Gift Aid', then ask Father to register for Gift Aid and receive envelopes to use every week. Thank you.



Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Alex Moss, Gerry Quinn, Jim Robson, Charles Blackwell, Duncan Fisher, Andrzej Axenti, Annete Fraserburgh, Tom Doyle, Alistair Cormie, Dawn Clark, Denis Delaney, Philip Jackson, Margaret McAuley, Mrs Lebida, Callan Bray, Luis Rodolfo, Maria Claudia; Peter Harvey. Margaret Clowes;

The Beloved Recently Departed: John Clowes

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time (month of January) Sister Joan Keitch; Martin Quigley; Margaret Kane; Denis Delaney; Sadie Callan; Helen Philip; William Mitchell, Joan Gunning; Colin Johnstone; Magda Korabiowska; Michael Docherty; Margaret Docherty; Ella Falconer; William Morrison; Albert Laing; Jennifer Downie; William Smith; Joyce Valentine; Anne Morrison; Mary Mudie; Janet Kelly; Michele Visocchi;

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

Fr Dijo's Holidays and Lookahead

Fr Dijo Thomas will be away on holiday from Monday 19th January until February 13th. The Rev. Fr. Sunny Joseph CST, will be supplying during the holidays, he is currently working in the Diocese of Leeds, West Yorks. Holy Mass arrangements, though slightly reduced, are as follows: **St Anthony's** Tuesdays @ 0930 Sundays @ 0915;

St Fergus' Wednesday @ 10-00; Saturday Confession @ 4-30; Vigil @ 6-00pm; Sunday @ 1115.

Looking ahead: Ash Wednesday – 18th February: **St Fergus'** @ 10-00: **St Anthony's** 6-30pm.

Lenten Retreat in Forfar: February 21st at 0930 to 1-00pm. Please bring your own lunch, but coffee & tea will be provided.

There wouldn't be weekday Holy Mass on this week (20th to 23rd January 2026)

Children's Liturgy and Health Walk

Dates of children's liturgy for next three months will be on 25th January, 22nd February and 22nd March.

Health walks are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Murton, where the staff walk with local residents for a short circular gentle walk and a chat. There's a free cuppa afterwards. A number of parishioners have enjoyed this event, and if you fancy coming along to Murton, meet at green cabin by 1015 next Wed, 21st. Ring Murton or see Nancy or Angela for details.

Children's Christmas Party Report 2025

We had a fantastic response to the 'Smartie Tube Appeal' again with £630.69 being raised, plus the residue from last year of £230.20 giving a total of £867.89. The total spent was £568.36 leaving a residue of £299.53. This will be used to help with the costs of First Communion plus provide for an outing for the Altar Servers in June. Everyone at the party seemed to have a good time and were delighted with their gifts from Santa, who once again did a sterling job. Many, many thanks again for your wonderful generosity. **Helen Flight**

Dunkeld Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026

The Dunkeld Lourdes Pilgrimage For 2026 is from the 15th to the 22nd of July. Flying out from Glasgow Airport. The pilgrimage is a wonderful experience, with each participant benefiting greatly from taking part. We have a dedicated medical team who assist those pilgrims who would be unable to complete the pilgrimage without support. This year there are some places available. If you, or anyone you know would like to join them, please contact dunkeld@pobox.com Or 07801 227443.

Notes From The Liturgical Calendar For Scotland

St Faolan (Fillan): Abbot and Bishop, made his monastic profession in Wexford, Ireland. He travelled to Scotland where he stayed first with his uncle St Comgan at Lochalsh, later preaching the gospel in Perthshire. Victory in the Battle of Bannockburn was attributed to the presence of both his Crozier and his arm on the battlefield. He lived and died in the 8th century.

St Agnes (291-304): Is one of the young virgin martyrs whose names have a permanent place in the first Eucharistic prayer. She refused several approaches from young men, one of whom denounced her to the authorities as a Christian. She was put to death in the year 303, aged 13.

St Francis de Sales (1567-1672): Became Bishop of Geneva when it had become a strong centre of the Protestant Reformation. He wound back many to the faith by his gentle and patient nature, which even won the respect of his opponents. "A spoonful of honey attracts more flies than a barrel full of vinegar", was a saying of his.

St Vincent; A Deacon of Zaragoza, was arrested and taken to Valencia. In the persecution of Diocletian in 304. Here, he suffered prolonged and extreme torture and left to die.

St Fabian: Elected Pope in 236, Was martyred in the persecution of the Emperor Decius in 250.

St Sebastian: Was a captain in the Praetorian Guard of the Emperor Diocletian, who had him executed in the year 286 on discovering he was a Christian.



Results Week 2 – 11/01/26

£5 No. 72 Anne-Marie Cheyne; £10 No.90 Michael Visocchi; £20 No.41 Zo Korabiowska-Smith.

The new session is now in progress, please pass subscriptions direct to Kaye or Geoff, or in a marked envelope to Father Dijo or Kaye or Geoff. Thank you.

Since the 100 Club became a continuous Fund Raiser you have raised just over £6,500. Thank you.