29th December **DIOCESE OF DUNKELD** WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF Scottish Charity No: - SC001810 2024, The Holy ST FERGUS, FORFAR & ST ANTHONY, KIRRIEMUIR Family of Jesus, E-mail: stfergusandstanthony@dunkelddiocese.org.uk Mary and Joseph Website: - https://www.stfergusrc-forfar.org.uk Children's Liturgy TBA PARISH PRIEST: - REV. FR. DIJO THOMAS CST Tel No: 01307479715 Mobile: 07442 002494 Second Collection Email:- durulel@gmail.com Today -St Fergus' **PARISH DEACON: - REV. BERT MILLER** 94 Glenogil Terrace **Building Fund** Items for Newsletter to:fergusandanthonynews@yahoo.com FORFAR Angus DD8 1NG **Today - Readers and Bidding First Reading:** SUNDAY MASSES 1 Samuel 1:20-22;24-28 **Pravers:** Vigil Mass Saturday at 6.00pm Samuel, as long as he lives, is lent to the Lord 9.15am Mass Alan Draper Sunday Mass 1115 am **11.15am Mass – Helen Flight** WEEKDAY MASSES Psalm 84 Wednesday & Thursday @ Blessed are they, who dwell in your house, O Lord 10am. Next Sunday 22nd December Each Wednesday – Rosary 4th Sunday of Advent Year C immediately after Mass Second Reading: 9.15am Mass – TBA Last Wednesday of the month -1 John 3:1-2, 21-24 11.15am Mass – TBA Rosary, Exposition of The We are called children of God, and so we are. Blessed Sacrament and Second Collection dates: Benediction immediately after The Gospel Acclamation: 29/12/24 - Building Fund Mass. Alleluia, Alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord, that we may pay Feast, Memorials, Holydays etc.

attention to the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

The Gospel

St Luke 2:41-52 Jesus is found by his parents sitting among the teachers



St Anthony's

3 St Mary's Close KIRRIEMUIR Angus DD8 4GW SUNDAY MASS Sunday at 9-15 WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday & Friday at 09.30am Each Tuesday – Novena to St Anthony immediately after Mass 1st Tuesday of the month. Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately after Mass.

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



Offertories 22nd December - 4th Sundayof AdventYr CESt Fergus Vigil Mass£71.90SSt Fergus Sunday Mass£116.60SSt Anthony Sunday Mass£109.001Total (1)=£297.50Donations Total (3) £GFundraising - Building Fund £GTotal (4) £FTotal Banked (1,2,3,4) = £297.50F

Again, next week, only the Offertories at Mass will be included, all other monies will be included in the newsletter for The Epiphany of The Lord

Special Collections etc. Building Fund Total(4) £ **Second Collection Forfar** £ Second Collection Kirriemuir £ (Christmas Flowers) £ **Tea/Coffee Forfar Tea/Coffee Kirriemuir** £ **Candles Kirriemuir** £ **Candles Forfar** £ £ **Flowers Kirriemuir Flowers Forfar** £ **Repository Forfar** £ **Repository Kirriemuir** £ **Missal Sales both Parishes £** Other Monies Total $(2) = \pounds$

Wednesday – Mary, The Holy Mother

Thursday – St Basil & St Gregory

of God - Solemnity

Nazianzen - Memorial

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

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.

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.

Offertories & 2nd Collections During the Christmas & New Year Period

Because of Bank Closures during this period, counting is taking place after St Fergus' Sunday Mass. Due to time constraints, only the Offertories for Mass are being counted to allow banking on Mondays. Second collections for December 29th for the Building fund will include the income from the 100 Club, plus any other collections for tea & coffee etc. A full breakdown will be shown as usual in corresponding newsletters.

SICK, DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Alex Moss, Gerry Quinn, Bruce & Aaron Durning, Irene Moore, Jim Robson, Charles Blackwell, Duncan Fisher, Eileen Morgan, Anne Simmonds, Andrzej Axenti, Annete Fraserburgh, Robin Mathew, Yvonne Cargill, John & Margaret Clowes, Tom Doyle, Doris Donnelly, Suzie McGeachy. **The Beloved Recently Departed:** Ann Gunning

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time (month of December) Mary Cormie; James Quinn; Les Hay; Helen Burns; Annie Black; Thomas Steele; Robert Black; Florence Findlater, Olive Weaving, Michael Kilcoyle, Michael McGuire, Anne Smith, Michael Connolly, Nora Piggot, Joseph Smith, Lena Duncan, Martin Quigley, Sister Joan Keitch May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Donate by Phone

On the left hand column of the front page is a QR Code, with which it is possible to make occasional or regular offertories or donations direct to the Parishes bank account via the Diocese. This will also allow Gift Aid to be claimed. A copy of the QR poster has been pinned to the notice boards at both parishes and in other places in the churches. Thank you.

A Date for The Diary

The Dunkeld Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Committee, are delighted to announce that Bishop Andrew McKenzie will lead our 2025 pilgrimage to Lourdes, from 7th to 14th July 2025. For further information please email -<u>dunkeld@pobox.com</u> or phone 07801227443.

New Years Eve Adoration and Mass

Kirriemuir 31/12 Tuesday @ 9-30am

New Year's Day Masses

Forfar 01/01/2025 Wednesday @ 10-00am

Health Walk

Details of further walks at Murton will be published when the weather promises to be favourable, bearing in mind that cancellations may be a last-minute decision if we wake up to unfavourable conditions. Stay tuned for future updates from Angela and Nancy.



Results Week 7 – 22nd December

(Drawn in this order)

£5 No. 81 Zo Korabiowska-Smith; £10 No.90 Michael Visocchi; £20 No.100 Amelia Cheyne

Geoff & AnneMarie Bray

Wish all parishioners in Forfar and Kirriemuir a Joyous Christmas and a Good Healthy 2025

Marjory & 'Charlie'

Wish everyone 'All the Best' at Christmas and New Year

Margaret Walker

wishes everyone a Happy and Holy Christmas and a Good New Year. Martin & Zofia (Zo), Wish you all a peaceful and joyful Christmas. Have a wonderful and blessed 2025

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