

TIMES	MEMORIAL OR FEAST	INTENTIONS
SAT	5.30pm Vigil Mass: Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	
SUN	10.30am Eucharistic Service: Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	
FRI	9.00am Exposition	
	9.30am Mass: Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	
SAT	5.30pm Vigil Mass: 11 th Ordinary Sunday of Year A	
SUN	10.30am Mass: 11 th Ordinary Sunday of Year A	



ST. THOMAS R.C. CHURCH, KEITH
DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BIRTHPLACE OF ST JOHN OGILVIE



7th June 2026
Corpus Christi (A II) Psalter Week 1

Last week Collection: £294 Att: 47

MINISTRIES	7/6/2026	14/6/2026
Church Cleaning	T & P Brennan (June)	T & P Brennan (June)
Counters	Smith	Reid
Welcome	Farrell/Danby	Collins/Harvey
Hall keeper	R Hendry	M Collins
Sat Reader	K Cruickshank	K Schouwenaars-Harms
Sat EMoHC	R Hendry	
Sun Reader	T Coull, E Danby	I Grant, M Le Mero
Sun EMoHC	-	A Mitchell, R Harvey
Flowers	W Davidson	D Greenhalgh
Teas	Carol & Graeme	Brenda & Mike

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THE ANNOUNCER!

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. The Holy Mass is the highest prayer of the Church, and the Holy Eucharist is the centre of the Mass. On this day, we are invited to reflect deeply on the Eucharist. The first reading from Deuteronomy speaks of the Manna, an unexpected gift from God that sustained the people of Israel during their stay in the desert. We read how Moses reminds the people of Israel of their journey through the desert. It was a time of hunger, testing, and dependence. There, God fed them with manna, mysterious bread from heaven. Their experience formed them to rely on God's Word because "man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord."

In the second reading from St. Paul, He reminds us about what we do in the liturgy of the Holy Mass. In the bread we break, and the chalice of blessing is our participation in the body and blood of Christ. In this participation in the body of Christ, we are one body with Him. We are one in Christ. That has a deep meaning.

In the Gospel, we hear Jesus, the Word of God made man, declare it Himself: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever." Jesus presents himself as a gift immensely superior to manna, for he gives eternal life. Here, Jesus takes the image of manna and brings it to fulfilment. The manna in the desert sustained life for a time, since those who ate it eventually died. The bread that Jesus gives is different. It is not just nourishment; it is eternal life.

These words were difficult for many of his listeners. Some could not accept them. Yet Jesus does not soften or withdraw his teaching. He insists on it because he is revealing something essential. Sometimes, too, we find Catholics who don't understand what we celebrate and receive. Let us keep listening to Christ the Word of God with an open heart as he calls us to faith in Him in the Holy Eucharist, for he is the Word by which we truly live – and true living is to have eternal life.

Fr. Kingsley

Welcome: to all our visitors, feel free to look around our beautiful church, particularly the St John Ogilvie Chapel & Exhibition.

Fr Peter's 10th priestly anniversary: On Saturday, 22nd August 2026, Fr Peter will celebrate a special Mass to mark his 10th priestly anniversary at St Margaret's RC Church, Huntly, followed by a reception at St Thomas's Hall, Keith. It would be lovely if everyone could attend and join in the celebration, as we are all invited. A big congratulations to Fr Peter. For catering, please inform the organisers of your attendance by filling out the form:

<https://form.jotform.com/260996550056060>

Mass preparation: please remember ten minutes silence before Mass begins to allow everyone to prepare for the Holy Mass – the “source and summit” of our Faith.

Heartfelt plea: Whatever your God given gifts, please do have a good think about how you might serve our church further, and speak to Deacon Graeme or Father Kingsley if you wish to volunteer.

Light of the North: the Summer edition is now in production. Any contributions would be valued and welcomed. Please email Cowan Watson (editor.lightofthenorth@rcda.scot). Deadline is 7th July.

Second collections this month: 13/14 Maintenance Fund; 27/28 Peter's Pence.

Hospital visiting: please remember to contact Deacon Graeme if you or any of your family are in hospital. He is always happy to visit.

Prayer Group: Monday evenings, 7pm in the hall. Contact: Elizabeth Danby. No meeting on 15th June as the hall is being used by Grange WI that night.

Tea & coffee in the hall, after Sunday Mass. All welcome.



Pope's Prayer Intention: June: For the values of sports: Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

Safeguarding: The Parish Safeguarding Coordinator is Elizabeth Danby, and she can be contacted as shown overleaf. The diocesan Safeguarding page can be found at [Safeguarding – Roman Catholic Diocese of Aberdeen \(rcda.scot\)](https://www.rcda.scot) and the text of **In God's Image (V2)** is accessed through the Bishops Conference website.

Diary Dates	
Scalan Pilgrimage	14 th June Mass at 4pm
Pluscarden pilgrimage	28 th June Mass at 3pm
Fabric & Finance Committee	Thurs 13 th Aug 7pm
PPC	Wed 19 th Aug 7pm



St Thomas' Church is open each day from **10am to 3pm** for private prayer. Please note, the church may not be open on weekdays in the event of severe weather.

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