TIMES		MEMORIAL OR FEAST	INTENTIONS
SAT	5.30pm	Vigil Mass: Christ the Universal King Year A	
SUN	10.30am	Mass: Christ the Universal King Year A	
FRI	9.00am	Exposition	
	9.30am	Mass: Friday of week 34 in Ordinary Time	
SAT	5.30pm	Vigil Mass: First Sunday of Advent Year B	
SUN	10.30am	Eucharistic Service : First Sunday of Advent Year B	

Last week Collection: £359 Maintenance Fund: £47 Att: 65

MINISTRIES	22/11/2026	29/11/2026
Church Cleaning	T & P Brennan (Nov)	T & P Brennan (Nov)
Counters	Collins	Smith
Welcome	Farrell/Danby	Collins/Harvey
Hall keeper	K Cruickshank	R Hendry
Sat Reader	K Schouwenaars-Harms	T Brennan
Sat EMoHC	R Hendry	M Collins
Sun Reader	E Reid, T Coull	I Grant, M Farrell
Sun EMoHC	A Mitchell, R Harvey	-
Flowers	Artificial	None in Advent
Teas	Liz & Ron	Carol & Graeme

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DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BIRTHPLACE OF ST JOHN OGILVIE

22nd November 2026

Solemnity of Christ the King (AII) Psalter Week 2

THE ANNOUNCER!

We celebrate today the Solemnity of Christ the King. The liturgical year ends at the weekend. Jesus Christ is the Servant King; He rules over all through love and mercy. The readings draw us to meditate on Jesus' Kingship and what it means to belong to His Kingdom. Christ is a King who cares for His people; He reigns supreme over death's power; and He identifies Himself with the poor and suffering.

In the first reading, God, speaking through the prophet Ezekiel, promises to look after His people like a shepherd who cares for the sheep. He will search for the lost, bring back those who have wandered away, bind up the injured, and strengthen the weak. God shows that He cares for His people, and we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that Christ has risen from the dead and has conquered death. Through His resurrection, He has opened the way to eternal life for all who belong to Him. The kingship of Christ is above worldly kingship. He is King over the living and the dead, for in Him is the fullness of life and power over death, and everything will finally be brought under His authority.

In the gospel, Jesus speaks about the final judgment, when the Son of Man will come in glory and separate people as a shepherd separates sheep from goats. Those who are welcomed into the Kingdom are those He referred to as the Sheep: they are those who fed the hungry, gave drink to the thirsty, welcomed strangers, clothed the naked, cared for the sick, and visited those in prison. The goats are those who did the opposite. Whatsoever we do to others, we do so to Christ the King – He remembers everything.

As Christ the King has commanded us to love and care for one another, that is how we must live as citizens of His heavenly Kingdom. If we fail to do so, He has His way of looking after His people, as the first reading emphasised; however, He has put us in charge of his estates as responsible lords and ladies in His kingdom. May He find us at our duty posts when He comes to take us to His heavenly Kingdom.

Fr. Kingsley

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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bishop Emeritus Peter Moran, who died on Friday 13th November. Bishop Peter's remains will be taken into the cathedral in Aberdeen on Monday 30th November at 4pm, and his Requiem Mass will be at 10am on Tuesday 1st December, the 23rd anniversary of his Episcopal Ordination, followed by interment at St Ninian's, Tynet.

November: is the month when we remember especially those who have died. The Remembrance Book will be in front of the altar throughout November, please add the names of your deceased family and friends. The fathers will be offering their Masses for the repose of the souls of all our deceased friends and family.

Next Sunday is the First Sunday in Advent, the beginning of a new liturgical year. We will move into Year B of the cycle, with Sunday readings mainly from the Gospel of St Mark, and we will change over to new Mass Books, once again donated by St Thomas's Hall Committee for which many thanks are due.

Deanery Advent Penitential Services: To aid our preparation for Christmas, these will take place as follows: St Mary's, Peterhead Wednesday 16th Dec at 6.30pm' St Columba's, Banchory Friday 18th Dec at 5pm and St Thomas, Keith Saturday 19th Dec at 3pm.

Fr Peter has returned to Inverness for end of term exams, so we will again have a Service of the Word & Holy Communion led by Deacon Graeme on alternate Sundays until 19th December.

Candlelit Service of Carols: You are invited on Sunday 13th December at 3pm in St Margaret's Huntly, followed by tea & coffee in the hall.

Weekday Mass: we will move into the chapel in the house from Friday 30th October for the winter months. Entry via the sacristy.

Youth Events: 26-28 February: TOB Girls' Retreat

17 April: NET Retreat Inverurie

For more information, Contact Sr. Angela Marie at op@rcda.scot or 07938 729895. Also at https://www.rcda.scot/diocese-of-aberdeen-youth-events-2026-27

Special collections in November: 28/29 Scottish Catholic Education

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

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

Pope's Prayer Intention: November: For the proper use of wealth: Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

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) and the text of **In God's Image (V2)** is accessed through the Bishops Conference website.

Diary Dates	
Advent Reconciliation Service	Sat 19th December 3pm
Confirmation	Sun 20th December 10.30am



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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