

TIMES	MEMORIAL OR FEAST	INTENTIONS
SAT	5.30pm Vigil Mass: 28 th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A	
SUN	10.30am Mass: 28 th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A	
FRI	9.00am Exposition	
	9.30am Mass: Friday of Week 28 in Ordinary Time	
SAT	5.30pm Vigil Mass: 29 th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A	
SUN	10.30am Mass: 29 th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A	

Last week Collection: £ 300 Att: 64

MINISTRIES	11/10/2026	18/10/2026
Church Cleaning	S Burts (October)	S Burts (October)
Counters	Mitchell	Collins
Welcome	Gray/James	Cruickshank/Coull
Hall keeper	K James	K Cruickshank
Sat Reader	K Cruickshank	K Schouwenaars-Harms
Sat EMoHC	R Hendry	M Collins
Sun Reader	E Danby, I Grant	M Le Mero, E Reid
Sun EMoHC	A Mitchell, R Harvey	E Danby, C Moir
Flowers	Artificial	Artificial
Teas	Michele & Louis	Liz & Ron

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



11th October 2026

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (All) Psalter Week 4

THE ANNOUNCER!

God continually invites us to share in His life. Today's readings show us how God has invited us to his heavenly banquet. The question is whether we are willing to accept His invitation and prepare to participate in the banquet.

In the first reading, Isaiah gives us a beautiful picture of the Lord preparing a rich feast for all peoples: a feast of abundance, joy, fellowship, and salvation. God desires to remove the veil of sadness and suffering that covers humanity and to wipe away every tear. God desires our eternal joy and prepares a feast in place for all. The feast is an image of the Kingdom of God, where all are invited to experience His salvation.

In the second reading, St. Paul uses himself as an example of someone who has learned to trust God in every circumstance. He has learnt to be content in every situation in this life, whether in plenty or hunger. He can do all things in Christ who strengthens him, for he knows that God will supply all he needs in Christ. Paul's words show his confidence in God's eternal providence, and nothing would distract him from that.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of a king who prepares a wedding feast for his son. The guests are too busy with their businesses to come, and some even mistreated the servants sent to them. The king then opens the invitation to everyone, and People, both good and bad, are gathered from everywhere into the wedding hall. Then the king notices and removes one who wasn't wearing a wedding garment among them.

As much as God generously invites everyone to the eternal banquet of heaven, we, on our part, must respond to the invitation by changing how we appear spiritually. We must wear something appropriate for the heavenly feast. The wedding garment can be understood as the life of grace, faith, love, and righteousness that should accompany our response to God's call. Both good and bad are invited but must wear the wedding garment, which means "the holiness and repentance" required in God's presence in heaven. We all must wash ourselves in the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ, present with us in the Holy Eucharist.

Fr. Kingsley

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

Tombola Prizes: This weekend, you will be able to register prizes you can give for the Tombola. It is the parish's main fundraiser of the year so please give generously. Details will be taken at the door. For house prizes a value of £40 is suggested, and £20 for line prizes, and/or anything suitable for the raffle. Any help you can give on the night of Wednesday, October 21, will also be welcomed.

St John Ogilvie: October 17th 2026 -to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the canonisation of St John Ogilvie, there will be a Deanery gathering with other invited guests. This will consist of a short talk recounting memories of that day in Rome, Mass and then a light lunch in the hall.

Grief to Grace – A Healing Retreat for Victims of Abuse – 22nd to 27th February 2027 – Perth Grief to Grace is a specialised 5-day programme of spiritual and psychological healing for anyone who has suffered from sexual, physical, or emotional abuse or neglect in childhood, adolescence or adulthood, including those abused by a religious / member of the clergy. If you are interested in this confidential healing retreat, please contact: margaret.clarke@griegtograceuk.org

Youth Events: 13-15 November S4-6 Retreat, Tomintoul.

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 October: 10/11 Maintenance Fund; 24/25 MISSIO

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.

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

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.

Pope's Prayer Intention: October: For mental health ministry: Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the church, helping overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illness or poor mental health.

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	
St John Ogilvie 50 th anniversary	Sat 17 th October 11am
Parish Tombola	Wed 21 st October 7pm
Fabric & Finance Committee	Thurs 12 th November 7pm
Parish Pastoral Council	Wed 18 th November 7pm
Confirmation	Sun 20 th December 10.30am



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