

# PARISH TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Sunday 16th September</b>	9.30am	St Mary o/t Angels	Mass
	10.00am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	11.00am	St Anthony's	Mass
	12.00 pm	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	1.30 pm	St Francis Xavier's	Polish Mass
	7.00pm	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Monday 17th September</b>	7:30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	9.30am	St Anthony's	Mass
	10:00am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Tuesday 18th September</b>	7:30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	9:30 am	St M o/t Angels	Mass
	10.00am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Wednesday 19th September</b>	9.30am	St M o/t A	Mass
	9.30 am	St Anthony's	Mass
	10:00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Thursday 20th September</b> <i>St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon and Paul Chong Ha-sang and com-</i>	9:30 am	St Mary o/t Angels	Mass
	10.00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	7.00pm	St Francis Xavier's	Confessions, Adoration and Novena
<b>Friday 21st September</b> <i>Feast of St Matthew</i>	10.00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Saturday 22nd September</b>	9.30 am	St Anthony's	Mass & Confessions
	10:00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	10.30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Confessions
	5.45pm	St Francis Xavier's	Confessions
	6.30pm	St Francis Xavier's	Vigil Mass

**Morning Prayer: 9:30 am Monday to Saturday at St FX, Rosary after 10:00 am Mass Monday to Saturday (except Tuesday and Friday) at St FX, Divine Mercy Chaplet after 10:00am mass Tuesdays. Exposition on Fridays after 10 am Mass.**

The Parish of

**St Francis Xavier's, Falkirk**

**The Church of St Anthony, Rumford**

**The church of St Mary of the Angels, Camelon**

**24th Sunday of the year, 16th September 2018, Year B**

We find our Liturgy on p132 of the blue Mass book

**'You are the Christ. The Son of Man is destined to suffer grievously'**



Several times in Mark's Gospel we hear the crowds and the disciples asking themselves this question about Jesus: "Who is this?" He who has the power to cast out demons, performs miracles, commands even the waves of the sea... In today's gospel Jesus forces the disciples to answer this question for themselves. It is Peter who answers—on behalf of everyone: 'You are the Messiah'. When we truly believe Jesus is our Saviour, it shows in our lives. The second reading from James describes the fruit of such faith, concrete example. If a brother or sister is in need we don't just console them with words. We seek to meet their needs, as Jesus did in every encounter. Unless we back our love up with action, the faith we claim to have is an illusion—'Faith without works is dead.' We pray today to allow ourselves to be guided by the impulse of the Holy Spirit, to heed Him through our actions so we can become more like Jesus.

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**Please remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur at this time**

Joseph Allison, James McKenna, Jim McGlynn, Patrick McKay, Norah McKay, John Nutley, James Atiken, Hugh Grubb, Bridget McKenna, Andrew Kier, Bernadette McNeily, Patrick McElroy, Rosina McIntyre, Rose McGinley, Mary Theresa Ferguson, Catherine Coyle, John Kennedy. **May they rest in peace.**

**Please pray for the recently deceased**

**Bible Study for Beginners**

An offshoot of Alpha, a group of parishioners are meeting to break open the coming Sunday's gospel on Mondays in the committee room of St FX hall at 7.30pm. Please join us from Monday 24th September, or any Monday you can. Come as you are.

**Alpha Restarts**

Our third round of Alpha starts on Monday 24th September at 7pm in the St FX Hall. This time we're offering an Alpha 'Pudding Club' - same format, a bite to eat together, the Alpha DVD on one aspect of the faith, then discussion in small groups, raising any questions or ideas we have about it. Testimonies about the effects of Alpha include: a new sense of the Holy Spirit calling us to serve in a different way; being easier in ourselves sharing the faith; deeper friendships and community. Alpha is for everyone—no matter our age or stage of faith. Sign up in the porches, no cost, no pressure.

**New Parishioners.** If you are new to our community, welcome! Please introduce yourself to the clergy, and join us for coffee after Sunday Mass. We'd ask you to fill out a parish registration form too, either online at [www.falkirkcatholics.org](http://www.falkirkcatholics.org) or using a registration form which can be found in the porch.

**Baptisms:** If you wish to have your child baptised, please make an appointment with one of the priests.

**Marriages :** Arrangements for weddings should be made with Fr. Jamie. Please note that at least six months' notice is required, to allow for marriage preparation.

For any **Safeguarding** issues, please contact the Parish Priest/see safeguarding contacts in porches.

**Live streaming of Mass:** <http://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-francis-xavier/>

	St Anthony's	St Francis Xavier	St Mary of the Angels
Offertory/Collection	£484.27	£1832.56	£273.07

# NEWS & EVENTS

This Sunday there will be a special collection for the **Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund**. **There are blue Gift Aid envelopes available for this collection.**

Today is our **Fun Day**. Festivities start after 12pm Mass at St Francis Xavier's hall, opposite Morrison's garage. please come along. A free event, it brings together all the generations.

All parish groups are asked kindly to nominate a **safeguarding contact person** and give their name to Anne on 623567 or email [office@falkirkcatholics.org](mailto:office@falkirkcatholics.org)

Fr Jacob's session on Pope Francis's '**The Joy of the Gospel**' was wonderful, focussing on the invitation God extends to all of us, which we in turn must extend to others—and how vital it is to seek God daily. **Join us again this Saturday after 10am Mass in St FX hall.**

The **RCIA** group meets every Wednesday in the sacristy of St Francis Xavier's Church at 7.30pm. Please speak to a priest if you want to join this group as they discern joining the faith.

**God's invitation to relationship**— the prayer course meets again tomorrow Monday 17th. A wee reminder to all those who signed up that their place is still available. Meets in the sacristy of St FX church at 7pm. Entry through the brown side door.

**Walking group**—the walk this week is through to Linlithgow. Meet at Asda for bus at 9.10am. Newcomers welcome.

**The Tuesday Bible Study** continues at 7.30pm in St FX church house.

Callum Taylor (aged 12) completed his cycle ride last Sunday from Glasgow to Edinburgh in 3 hours & 50 mins and raised £1400 for Strathcarron Hospice. He sends a great big thank you to all who sponsored him.

There will be a **Macmillan coffee morning** on Friday 28th September in the St FX Hall from 1030 till 12 noon. Tickets £3 or pay at the door. Donations of baking would be greatly appreciated.

And the **St Anthony's Macmillan Coffee Morning** takes place Saturday 29th September 10am in the church house there. From the organisers: 'There will be lots of lovely things for you to eat!! We'd love to see you there for a good chat while raising money for Cancer support. If you'd like to donate baked items please bring them along on the morning or leave with Sr Kathleen at the church house.' **Pamper Party in aid of Macmillan** Join us for a **glass of cheer** and experience a **free mini facial or hand massage**. St Anthony's House **5th October 7.30 pm** Tickets **£3** on sale from 23rd September

**St Anthony's Prayer Group**  
Parish House, Thursday 20th September 7pm  
Join us for a time of reflective prayer.

Please join Fr Jamie in the 30 day Autumn **Men Rise Up! Challenge**, an online resource specially created for Catholic men. Find out more on [www.menriseup.org](http://www.menriseup.org)