

# PARISH TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Sunday 2nd 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 3rd September</b> <i>Memorial St Gregory</i>	7:30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	9.30am	St Anthony's	Mass
	10:00am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Tuesday 4th September</b>	7:30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	9:30 am	St M o/t A	Mass
	10.00am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>5th 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</b> <b>6th September</b>	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</b> <b>7th September</b>	10.00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Saturday 8th September</b> <i>Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	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**

**22nd Sunday of the year, 2nd September 2018, Year B**

We find our Liturgy on p126 of the blue Mass book

**'You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions'**



The burden of traditions which the Pharisees had built up suggested that "uncleanness" came from outside. It threatened to defile the holiness of the people of God and had to be warded off by washings and other rituals. The intention was good but, as can happen with religious tradition, attention focused on external rituals can lead us to neglect the inner conversion necessary to our relationship with God. Jesus wants us to recognise this danger: "This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me" (Isa 29:13) No amount of external ritual helps if it hides from us the truth that holiness is ultimately about change of heart. By being open to our own sinfulness, knowing God loves us unconditionally, we can have hearts which are ready always to love and serve others. We pray today to remain 'unstained' by the world, close to God through his commandments, keeping our hearts ever open to the Mission he has given us, relying on Him in ever deepening relationship.

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

Tom Struthers, Catherine (Irene) Johnman, Bill Manderson, Cathleen Johnman, Mary McCane, Anthony Pastuch, Jimmy Bell, Frances McCafferty, John Francis Clarkin, Barbara Halpin, Elizabeth Short, Mary Hoggan, Rosina Brannan, Patrick O'Connor, Claramma Thomas, Gordon Bain, Eileen Rafferty, Marion C Jack, Teresa Welsh, Margaret Simpson, Domenico Giannandrea, Catherine Mowen, Mary O'Donnell, Terence Kelly, Molly Fletcher, Rose McCaul, James Gallagher, Margaret Cochrane.

**May they rest in peace.**

**Please pray for the recently deceased**

**James Harley RIP**

**Reception:** Mon 3rd Sept 6pm to St FX **Funeral Mass:** Tues 4th September at 10am

As you can tell from the newsletter, parish life is revving up again after the summer. **Fr Jacob will help us unpack Pope Francis's 'The Joy of the Gospel'**, starting on **Saturday 8th September** for eight weeks **after 10am Mass in St FX hall**. Join us for as many sessions as you can, or come to as many as you can make, to help us discern practical ways we can share the Good News. (Sign up sheets in the back porches) Our **SPRED Group** restarts our new session for ALL our friends on **Wednesday 12th September in St. FX hall at 7PM**. SPRED's vision is to work within the Church to nourish accepting and inclusive communities for people with learning disabilities. If you are interested in joining please contact Jennifer Lightfoot (07946 538958) We are looking for new members and drivers. All are most welcome to join this lovely group.

**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
<b>Offertory/Collection</b>	£453.28	£1716	£291.22
<b>Kerala</b>	£380	£1451	£228.87

# NEWS & EVENTS

This weekend there will be an appeal at Masses for the **Society of African Missions**.

**Mass** will be said in **St Mungo's oratory at 8.50pm on the Thursdays of term time**. Please encourage your children to attend.

Date of **Fun Day**—this has been changed to **Sunday 16th September**.

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

**Tea and Coffee Rota:** A huge thank you to everyone who has helped with teas and coffees in St Anthony's. We'd like to have a brief meeting after mass on Sunday 9th September to organise the rota for the forthcoming year. The more helpers we have the better, so if you think you'd like to help please come along, a warm welcome is assured!  
**God's invitation to relationship**—the prayer course starts tomorrow, Monday Sept 3rd, and continues fortnightly. Meets in the sacristy of St FX church at 7pm, entry through the brown side door.

**Youth Group** meets on Thursday nights in St FX hall, for Primary Sevens through to S6, 7-8.30pm in St FX hall.

Have you signed up for the **Children's Liturgy Leaders** day at the Gillis Centre on 15th September from 11am to 3pm? Please book your place via: [childrensliturgyday@gmail.com](mailto:childrensliturgyday@gmail.com)

**Lunch Club** restarts on Wed. 5 September at 12 noon. All welcome and looking forward to seeing everyone.

**Safeguarding** training takes place in ST FX hall at 7pm this Friday 7th for anyone who has not completed Level I since 2016.

**Walking group** walk this week on Tuesday from Letham to Airth and Dunmore. Leaving church hall at 9.30am.

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

**Bishop Barron talk on September 6th:** a coach has been booked which will leave St FX at 5.45pm. Pay £5 on the night. Tickets for the talk will be distributed before arrival at the Usher hall.

**Joe Quinlivan** would like to thank the many parishioners who telephoned and sent Mass cards on the recent loss of his brother Michael. It is much appreciated.

The **Children's Liturgy team** have been pleased to welcome back the primary school children and particularly new P1s following the summer break. If anyone is interested in helping out with this ministry please speak to one of us before or after 10am mass (Kate, Anne-Marie or Mary). It's a wonderful way to see our children's faith growing and strengthen our own faith too. We are looking for new helpers and you would be welcome to come along and see what happens.