

PARISH TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday 5th August	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
Monday 6th August <i>The Transfiguration</i>	7:30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	9.30am	St Anthony's	Mass
	10:00am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
Tuesday 7th August	7:30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	10.00am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
Wednesday 8th August <i>Memorial of St Dominic</i>	9.30am	St Anthony's	Mass
	10:00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
Thursday 9th August <i>Feast of St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</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
Friday 10th August <i>Feast of St Lawrence</i>	10.00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
Saturday 11th August <i>Memorial of St Clare</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 Parishes of

St Anthony's, Polmont
St Francis Xavier's, Falkirk
St Mary of the Angels, Camelon

18th Sunday of the year, 5th August 2018, Year B

We find our Liturgy on p114 of the blue Mass book

'He who comes to me will never be hungry'



This Sunday we rejoice together over the great nourishment God gives us through Christ, the bread of life. Through His coming into the world, and through receiving Him in the Eucharist, we are able to continually undergo what Paul refers to in our reading today as 'spiritual revolution'. Unlike the Israelites who staged a revolution against God and Moses in the desert, our satisfaction is not dependent on material things but on the spiritual food Christ provides for our journey. In the gospel, Jesus reads the mind of the people following him. They have allowed physical hunger to overshadow their spiritual hunger. In looking for physical bread they fail to recognize Christ – the bread of life that is present with them. *What do the readings today say to me about how Christ meets my needs? And what needs do I need to meet in others so that they too can be filled?*

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

Peter McGuire, Margaret Aitken, Thomas Murphy, Thomas Taylor, David Macfarlane, Philip Roncone, Fred Walsh, George Marchi, Alexander Risk, Rosalene McCormack, Catherine Swords, John White, Jan Juszcak, John Smith, Margaret MacFarlane, Damien Ward, Alexander Strathie, Michael McGoff Snr, Gerald Coughlan, James Forsyth, Jimmy Cowan, Thomas Kane, Jean McGhee, Mary Harvey, Elysabeth Dolan, Doreen Fitzpatrick, Martin Weir, William Burns Dougan, John Francis Collins, James McKay, **May they rest in peace.**

Please pray for the recently deceased

For clarification purposes, after the merger of the parishes St Anthony's Church would remain open. There has been an appeal against merger from St Mary of the Angels. We await the official response of the Archbishop.

Charlie O'Connor RIP

Funeral Service on Wednesday 8th August at Camelon Crematorium at 11.30am

The Role of the Laity in the Church today—We all see the shrinking numbers in the pews and how hard our priests are having to work to juggle everything. Do you ever wonder how best to support your parish and community? A one day conference is being organised for laypeople on the 6th October in the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh to help us better understand how we can be more effective, what's possible for lay people, and what our real role is in the world. The Church is facing a great crisis— laity involvement is a vital part of the solution. Please email archsecretary @staned.org.uk or phone 0131 6238902 to book your free ticket. The day starts at 11am with renowned lay speaker Helen Alvare speaking on Empowerment of Catholic laity. Posters in porch.

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 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	£561.67	£1661.82	TBA
Church in Need	£346.81	£943.10	

NEWS & EVENTS

A warm welcome to the **Catenians** who join us today for President's Sunday.

Fr Jacob celebrates his 50th birthday next Sunday 12th. We wish him well on this 'big' birthday, and thank him for being here to share it with us.

God's invitation to relationship—

This upcoming prayer course will give us new tools and skills to deepen our prayer life. Happening alternate Mondays from the 3rd September (3rd, 17th Sept,; 1st, 15th Oct) Please contact Anne on office@falkirkcatholics.org or call the office on 623567.

Canon Urquhart will resume celebrating Mass on the Feast of the Assumption on Thursday August 15th.

The Tuesday Bible Study resumes 14th August at 7.30pm in St FX church house.

Payment can still be handed in for your pre-booked **tickets for Bishop Barron's talk** in the Usher Hall on September 6th —please put the money (£10 full price, £6 concession) in an envelope through the church house door at St FX. Please give your name and whether anyone in your party would need a seat on the ground floor as over half our tickets are for seats in the stalls. Tickets will be allocated once all the monies have been received.

There will be hot filled rolls after 11:00 am mass at St Anthony's today.

Walking Group Dollar to Rumbling Bridge. Cars leave St Francis Xavier's church hall at 9.30am on Tuesday. New-comers welcome.

The **Hall Committee** are having a social afternoon on Thursday 16th August from 2-4 pm in St Francis Xavier's hall. Entertainment by Kenny Smith. Tickets £4

A reminder that the **new Alpha** sessions will start after the children go back to school, again on a Monday evening in St FX hall at 7pm. Please ask a friend and come along and join in—our vision is that everyone in the parishes experiences Alpha in the coming months, to help us all deepen our faith and share it more easily. The format will be the same as every Alpha session— we eat together, watch the Alpha film for that session, then break into groups to chat. Come as you are, with any questions you have. It is a difficult time to be Church—let's build the community Jesus would want for us. If you know any young parents with children starting school who are disengaged from the church, Alpha is a great way to reintroduce them to the faith.

Plans are well underway for the **Fun Day**. Thank you to everyone who attended the planning meeting, for your enthusiasm and great ideas.