

# PARISH TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Sunday 5th November</b>	9:30 am	St Mary o/t Angels	Mass
	10:00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	11:00 am	St Anthony's	Mass
	12:00 pm	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	1.30pm	St Francis Xavier's	Polish Mass
	7.00 pm	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Monday 6th November</b>	7:30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	10:00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Tuesday 7th November</b>	9:30 am	St Mary o/t Angels	Mass
	10.00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Wednesday 8th November</b> <i>Memorial of Blessed John Duns Scotus</i>	9.30am	St Mary o/t Angels	Mass
	10:00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Thursday 9th November</b> <i>Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>	9.30am	St Mary o/t Angels	Mass
	10.00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	7.00pm	St Francis Xavier's	Adoration, Confessions & Novena
<b>Friday 10th November</b>	7:30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	10.00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass & Adoration
<b>Saturday 11th November</b> <i>Memorial of St Martin of Tours</i>	9.30am	St Anthony's	Mass
	10.00 am	St Anthony's	Confessions
	10:00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	10.30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Confessions
	5.45 pm	St Francis Xavier's	Confessions
	6.30 pm	St Francis Xavier's	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**

**5th November 2017, Thirty First Sunday of the Year A**

We find our Liturgy on p149 of the yellow Mass Book

**'They do not practice what they preach'**



We are not used to hearing Jesus speak as harshly as he does in today's Gospel. He is speaking to the Pharisees, accusing them of abusing their authority, and spreading burdensome teaching from the seat of Moses, a chair found in every synagogue as a reminder of the continuity of God's message. We can learn a great deal by meditating on the list of accusations Jesus makes against them—do any stir our own conscience? Reducing faith to compliance with rules and regulations, which distance us and others from God; inconsistency, not practicing what we preach; loading unbearable burdens on the shoulders of others (including things never mentioned by Jesus) and 'not moving a finger to help them'; exhibitionism—Jesus lists a series of tricks they used to show off, emphasising the good they did. In authentic Catholic community, any form of inequality or superiority has no place—how else can we stand up against these things in society with integrity? May God bless our every effort to be as humble as his beloved son.

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

William Hardie, Elizabeth McEwan, Michael McElroy, Eddie Strain, Mary Ferrie, Bridie Raymond, Francis Harvey, Joe Winters, Mary Smith, Jessie Cannon, Jimmy Doyle, Robina Dougall, Margaret McKena, Melanie Costa Bir, Susan McQuade, Peggy McKenna, Mary Heanue, Mary Callaghan, Janet Hunter, elen Stirling, Mary Keenan, Neil O'Donnell, Annie Strathie, Donald Cameron Burt, Helen Crossley, James McGuire, James McGlade Sr, John McGuire, Helen Harvey, Walter Wood, Neil O'Donnell. **May they rest in peace.**

**Please pray for the recently deceased**

**Corrine Blackhall R.I.P.**

Reception on Wednesday at 6:0pm at St Francis Xavier's

Funeral mass on Thursday at 10:00 am in St Francis Xavier's

**New Stall Opening Hours at St FX**

**Thanks to a new stall keeper coming forward to man the stall, we now have new, extended opening hours. (Useful to know as the Christmas stock is arriving!)**

**Saturday 5.45pm to 6.30pm**

**Sunday 11am to 11.30am**

**Sunday 1.00pm to 1.30pm**

**Sunday 6.15pm to 7pm**

**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	£412.72	£1908.59	£339.12

The **Building Fund** will be taken up this weekend at St Francis Xavier's.

**Memorial Masses** will be held on Wed 15th November at St FX and on Friday 17th at St A's, both at 7pm.

There will be a **meeting for the parents of all children celebrating their First Holy Communion** on Monday 6th of November at 7pm in St FX church. It's very important that all parents attend.

There will be filled rolls available after 10am Mass in St A's and St FX church hall today, Sunday.

**Do-cat Falkirk**—young adults are invited to the first meeting next **Sunday November 12th at 8pm** in St FX church hall.

**The Art of Accompaniment** ....Saturdays after 10am Mass, please join us for our ongoing 'conversation' in St FX hall. All welcome.

The **Bible Study** group continues to meet on Tuesdays in St FX church house.

**Level 1 Safeguarding Training - St Mary of the Angel's Hall, Brown Street, Camelon. 7pm start (2 hours duration) on Thursday Nov 16th.** Anyone "PVG'd" and trained before 2016 needs to be retrained - check with your Parish Coordinator if you are unsure.

**SVDP**—We will again be collecting any cash donations you would like to give throughout November this year. Your kind donations will be used to supply vouchers to those families who need help to make Christmas a bit more special for their children. We found this method worked very well last year, giving parents the satisfaction of being able to choose and shop for gifts themselves. Thank you in advance for your usual overwhelming support.

In recent years the **Hogmanay Ceilidh** at St Francis' Xavier's has become very popular and there has been a great demand for tickets. To help a fair distribution of tickets we would ask that you

register your interest before 19th November. Sheets in back porch.

The **live stream** is back online. Please make the sick and housebound and any family living abroad aware of this facility, which helps foster belonging and community and helps support the parish in prayer.

**Raffle tickets** are available to raise funds for a Christmas party for the children at St M of the Angels. The raffle will be drawn on the 17th of December. Please see Claudine for tickets.

**Doreen and Allan Bain** would like to thank everyone who surrounded them with prayer, love, support and practical assistance after the death of their son **Derek**. Holy mass will be offered for the intentions of all

**Grace McGarvey RIP**— an active parishioner in St FX for many years, one of the first Eucharistic Ministers, Grace passed on the 22nd October surrounded by her family in Ireland. The family request your prayers, please.

A meeting is being held in St A's church hall for volunteers involved in tea and coffee duties after Mass on Sundays. **after 11:00 am Mass on Sunday 11 November.** If you are unable to attend but able to help, please see Catherine O'Neill. Despite a recent request, there has been little response to assist with **church cleaning duties.** The small group, who willingly give their time to this task at St A's meet Thursday mornings at 9.30am, in the hall. If you can only help out occasionally, or if a different time would be possible for you, please come forward. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Men and women welcome!

Kind reminder to all **JPC members** that our next meeting is **on Monday, 13th**, in St FX church house.