# PARISH TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

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| **Sunday 2nd June** | 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 3rd June** *Memorial of St Charles Lwanga and Companions* | 9:30 am | St Anthony's | Mass |
| | 10:00am | St Francis Xavier's | Mass |
| **Tuesday 4th June** | 10.00am | St Francis Xavier's | Mass |
| **Wednesday 5th June** | 9.30am | St Francis Xavier's | Mass |
| **Thursday 6th June** | 10.00 am | St Francis Xavier's | Mass |
| **Friday 7th June** | 9:30 am | St Anthony's | Mass |
| | 10.00 am | St Francis Xavier's | Mass & Adoration |
| **Saturday 8th June** | 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 |
| | 10.00pm | St Anthony's | Pentecost Prayer Vigil |
| | 12.00am | St Anthony's | Mass at midnight |

**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**

**7th Sunday of Easter, 2nd June 2019, Year C**

*We find our Liturgy on p 281 of the purple Mass book*

**'May they be completely one.'**

In our Gospel today, Jesus prays for true unity amongst his followers, that we may be 'completely one'. As we prepare for our coming Pentecost experience, how might we recognise such loving unity amongst ourselves? St Francis de Sales describes it this way: when many grains of wheat are ground together to make a single loaf of bread, the grains of wheat can no longer be separated; when grapes are pressed together to make one wine it's impossible to distinguish individual grapes. In the first Christian community, that Spirit of holy love created from their wills and hearts a unity which bore the image of God. We pray the Holy Spirit inspire us to the same degree of union, the level of love He desired for us. May we be one 'as He and His Father are one'.

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

Pauline McGoff, Margaret McPaul, Margaret Ashe, Maria Liza Flores, the Rankin family, Helen Mary Barry, Kevin Hanlon, Laua Cousins, Wilhelmina Lindsay, Tom Kenna, Elizabeth Barr Moore, Eleanor McLaughlin, Owen Gormley, Helen McCarron, Elizabeth Cumming, Patsy Murray, Lindsay Gentleman, William Gentleman.

**May they rest in peace.**

**Please pray for the recently deceased**

**Divine Renovation update:** On Saturday the leadership team, members of the old Joint Pastoral Council, met to discuss ways to 'cast the vision' across the whole of parish life, in all we do and are. The full vision will, rightfully, take time to prayerfully emerge, but Fr Jamie will begin to meet with parish groups during the summer to share how *all* our ministries, *all* our gifts, are a vital part of making the vision come alive. He'll be inviting everyone to contribute to it and making space for people to ask any questions they might have. **This coming Saturday, 8th June, there will be a special Vigil of Pentecost from 10pm at St Anthony's.** The vigil, which will be led by the prayer group, will conclude with Mass at midnight. We will be invited to pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit to guide us as we move forward, inspiring us individually and as a community. Fr Jamie, in last Sunday's homily, recognised that some of us feel trepidation, perhaps a little uncertain in our relationship with the Holy Spirit. He urged us, nevertheless, to open ourselves up to His love and peace and guidance. Please come, as many as are able, and be part of the vigil experience. To be most fully who we are, we need everyone; each grain and grape brings its goodness.

**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.
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 |
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| Offertory | £422.50 | £1922.99 |
| Aged and Infirm Clergy | £257.55 | £1433.13 |

# NEWS & EVENTS

**Sunday, 2nd June is World Communications Day.** A **special collection** will be taken up to help finance the many ways the Church spreads the gospel throughout the world.

Wednesday Mass at St FX will be at 9.30am.

Please pray for the pilgrims for our parish taking part in the **national pilgrimage** to St Margaret in Dunfermline today.

The **Prayer Group** will meet in Rumford on Monday June 3rd at 7pm.

There will be a demonstration by **Falkirk Floral Art** on Monday 3 June at 7.30 in hall. Tickets are £6 including tea & raffle can be paid at door.

**Alpha—** this week our focus was the bible. We shared our experience of the many different apps, email sign ups and websites that make the Word more easily accessible and understandable today. Have you tried the Pray As You Go app?

**Children's Bulletin.** The bulletin is available from the back of the churches.

The **Thanksgiving Celebration** for all the children who have recently received the Sacrament takes place on **Sunday 23rd, after 12 Mass.**

**Baptism Preparation Classes** will take place on 1st, 8th, and 15th of July at 7:00pm in St Francis Xavier's house. Please register with the parish office.

There will be **a social** on Thursday 6th June in St FX hall from 2pm to 4pm. Tickets (£4) include tea/coffee and a light refreshment. Entertainment will be by Stevie Cowan and tickets are available from Moira and Celia.

The **Tuesday Bible Study** takes a break for the summer after Tuesday 9th June, and will resume Tuesday 20th August.

The **Padre Pio Prayer Group** meets on the 1st Friday of every month in the FX sacristy left of the sanctuary at 6pm. All welcome.

The 41st Falkirk (St Francis Xaviers) Scout Group would like to extend an **open invitation to Barrwood visitors day/**Forth Region Funday on Saturday 8th June 2019 for parishioners and any ex 41st Scouts/Leaders. Open to visitors from 9am until after campfire on the 41st site (Blue 1). and visitors will see over 900 young people taking part in many varied activities.

The next **Lunch Club** will be on Wednesday 5th June at 12 noon. Enjoy good food and good company. New members welcome.

Friday 7th June: *Bethlehem University: A Beacon of Hope*. **Talk by Br Peter Bray FSC, Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University** on the work done by the University in extremely trying circumstances. Bethlehem University is **the only Catholic university in the Holy Land** and 75% of its students are Muslim, and 25% Christian. His talk will mark the launch of a new charity, the Friends of Bethlehem University-GB. The talk will be at 5.00 p.m. in the University of Glasgow, St. Andrew's Building, Lecture Theatre 213, 11 Eldon Street, Glasgow, G3 6LH. Refreshments provided. Contact: Paul Donnelly, paul@donnelly.org.uk. Tel:07876562846.