

## Weekly Mass Schedule

<b>Sunday 3rd November</b> <i>31st Sunday Year C</i>	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 4th November</b> <i>Memorial—St Charles Borromeo</i>	7.30 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	9:30 am	St Anthony's	Mass
	10:00am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Tuesday 5th November</b>	7.30am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
	10.00am	St Francis Xavier's	Funeral Mass
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>6th November</b>	9.30am	St Anthony's	Mass
	10.00am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass
<b>Thursday 7th November</b>	10.00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Funeral Mass
	12.40am	St Mungo's	Mass
	7.00 pm	St Francis Xavier's	Novena, Exposition and Confessions
<b>Friday 8th November</b> <i>Memorial—Blessed John Duns Scotus</i>	10.00 am	St Francis Xavier's	Mass & Adoration
<b>Saturday 9th November</b>	9:30 am	St Anthony's	Mass
	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.**

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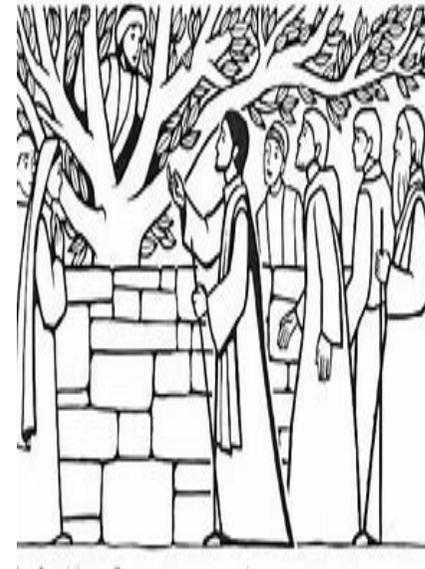
**St Francis Xavier's, Falkirk**

**The Church of St Anthony, Rumford**

**31st Sunday, 3rd November 2019, Year C**

*We find our Liturgy on page 157 of the red Mass book*

**'The Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'**



Zaccheus is prepared to go to any lengths to catch even a glimpse of Jesus, so he's a great example in our gospel today of putting determined effort into seeking encounter with Our Lord. Aware of his inadequacies and his difficult relationships with others, he takes it upon himself to do the seeking. As people of faith, it's our duty and responsibility to make sure we receive enough formation in the faith. As a parish this will be given even greater focus in the weeks and months to come, so that we can all grow together in confidence and in the joy of the Gospel. Zaccheus' joy at his encounter with Jesus is so great, it immediately ripples out—he restores what he has stolen, returning 'four times the amount' he's so overwhelmed with gladness, and he immediately makes his peace with his neighbours. From that day forward, Zaccheus would be able to tell his story—what he'd been like, what happened to him, and what he did as a result. What's *your* story? What would help you tell it?

### PARISH CONTACTS

**Very Rev. Jamie Boyle V.E. (Parish Priest)**

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

Placido Do-Rego, Catherine Gallacher, John McKillop, Patricia Hanrahan, Walter Wood, Marjorie Nutley, John Devlin, Eleanor Malley, Maria Kane, William Hardie, Elizabeth McEwan, Michael McElroy, Eddie Strain, Mary Ferrie, Bridie Raymond, Francis Harvey, Joe Winters, Mary Smith, Jessie Cannon, Jimmy Doyle, Robina Dougall, James Martin Gallagher, Margaret McKenna, Melanie Costa Bir, Susan McQuade, Peggy McKenna, Mary Heanue.

May they rest in peace

Janusz Flis RIP

Funeral Service: Tuesday 5th at St Francis Xavier's at 1pm

**Formation Opportunities:** Lots of people from the parish—almost 150—have taken the opportunity to explore their relationship with God more deeply through Alpha, and the effects in the parish are beginning to be felt, with parishioners reporting a deeper sense of the Holy Spirit in their lives, and others not previously involved in parish life asking how they can continue to enjoy the new sense of community they have found, and taking opportunities to serve the parish. This has led to new members of parish groups, a new bible study and a strengthening of the Alpha Team. We have a new spiritual library in St FX hall also, which is a great resource for anyone looking for new reading material about the faith. The diocese has offered ongoing faith formation opportunities this year, including the upcoming formation day for readers which will take place at Gillis on the 16th of November.

We'd also really urge every parishioner to please visit [formed.org](http://formed.org) and sign up there—it's a treasure trove of films, and books and series about the faith, which you can access from home for free at any time. To register go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) select "Sign up" followed by "I am a member of a parish" then select St Francis Xavier's, Chapel house from the list. Provide your name and email address and you will be sent a link to access the website.

**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. 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
Offertory	£416.34	£1844.27
Missio		£1108.11

## NEWS & EVENTS

There will be a **Memorial Mass** for the deceased on Thursday 14th November at 7pm in St Francis Xavier's. All are warmly invited and please feel free to invite any friends or family who are mourning loved ones. Our faith offers such consolation to those who grieve.

**St Anthony's 200 Club**—congratulations to winner A Jamieson, #17.

There will be the first of our new **leadership summits** on the 7th of November at 7pm in St Francis Xavier's hall. Thank you to everyone who agreed to represent their group. We look forward to seeing you all as we work towards improving communication across our busy parish. We ask everyone in the parish to pray for its success. There will be a light supper. If your group hasn't yet had an official invitation, please send along a possible leader and another representative on the night.

We give thanks for the new screen and the new sound system in St FX hall, which will enhance all our parish gatherings and our formation opportunities as a community.

**Noticeboards**— the noticeboards in St FX is being cleared next week, with only the essential information being left on display. This is to enable us to revise the way the noticeboards are utilised for parish communication so they are clearer and more streamlined. If groups could remove their individual items, that would greatly help.

Due to a House Staff meeting on Wednesday between 11am and 2pm we will not be available to answer the phone or door.

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY** – We will resume on Nov 26th.

**Alpha:** We took stock of the fruit of our retreat on Saturday, giving thanks to God for the peace and closeness to Him we experienced. Alpha runs another two weeks—please keep the team and the guests in your prayers as they decide how God is calling them to travel on from here. And rejoice with us—a non-Catholic attendee has expressed the desire to explore the faith more deeply.

A reminder of the need to **request a chaplain's visit** now for anyone in hospital, due to GDPR regulations.

**Parish prize Bingo**—a huge thank you to Norah and everyone who was handed in donations. A very welcome £560 was raised for parish funds, and book sales also raised £150.

The **Prayer Group** will meet November 4th in Denny.

**UCM**—the meeting for the 6th of November has been reinstated. All welcome.

A reminder of the **baptism course** starting on Monday night in the sacristy of St FX church at 7pm. The sacristy can be accessed through the brown door on the left hand side