

The Parish of St Francis Xavier's

St Francis Xavier's & St Anthony's Churches

Parish Newsletter,

Sunday 13th June 2021, 11th Sunday Year B

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At the parish of St Francis Xavier's we are a joyful, inclusive community on fire with the love of God, each growing in our personal relationship with Christ. As His missionary disciples, inspired by His Holy Spirit and nourished by our worship, we use our talents freely to serve others and take the life-changing message of the Gospel into the world.

View from the Sanctuary

This week the homily will focus on the Sacrament of Baptism – The sacrament of faith and the door to the other sacraments.

Please pray for the young people who will be Confirmed and complete their initiation into the Catholic Faith this week.

Now that we are in Level 1, congregational singing at Mass will gradually be reintroduced. We will start off with the Mass parts and slowly introduce hymns in the coming weeks. Use of the kneelers will also resume. If you are able, please kneel after the Holy, Holy and again after the Lamb of God.

BOOKING FOR MASS

The arrangements for Sunday Mass booking are as follows: Please visit <https://www.falkirkcatholics.org/booking> where you will see a list of upcoming Masses. Click the mass you wish to attend and register each person including children. Please note the change that all children must now be booked in. Thank you.

Meeting for Parish Readers

Thanks to all who attended the In-service meeting for Parish Readers. Thanks also to Helen & Siobhan for their input.

Communion to the Sick & Housebound

Now that we are in level 1, Communion Visits to the sick and housebound can resume. All ministers should ensure they follow Covid- 19 safety protocols when visiting. There be a meeting for Communion Ministers on Monday 28th June at 7:00pm in St Francis Xavier's. Please also make sure you have completed the required level of safeguarding training.

Safeguarding Training

If you volunteer with children or vulnerable adults please ensure that you register for the Induction Part 1 & 2 safeguarding training. All the details you need can be found at <https://archedinburgh.org/administration/safeguarding-training/>

Anniversaries

Please Pray for: Slavica Vrsakks, Edward Curran, Mary (Malone) Kemp, Elizabeth Strathie, Jessie McHardy, Mary Grubb, Margaret (Pearl) McFeat, Daniel Anthony McGeever, James McGuckin, Edward Short, R. Shields, Brenda Tolmie, Agnes McKnight, Eileen O'Docherty, James Farrelly, Bill Waugh, John Reginald Todd, Mary Donoghue, Condy McNelis, John Sloan, Elizabeth McGuire, Frederick Heggie, James Reilly, John Campbell, Patrick Canavan, S. Butterfly, Hugh McLellan, Joanna Gow, Sarah Cusack, Tony Vlahos, Anne Thomson, Vincenzo Michele Ianetta, Catherine McArdle, James Noel McAllister. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace, Amen**

St Anthony's – Book of Remembrance / Anniversaries list. We would like to create a Book of Remembrance for St Anthony's and create an anniversary list for the parish newsletter. Please use the link below to add the names of family members or fellow parishioners. It would be a great help if the names can be submitted on behalf of those who struggle with technology. Alternatively, please submit a list in writing with the following details: Name, date of death, place of burial / cremation. Thank you. <https://forms.gle/L9XNDAnPHF8Ae4xb9>

Use of Church Halls

In preparation for the reopening of the church halls for group use, we require each group to provide a risk assessment as well as Covid- 19 safety protocols. At present we are still bound by 2M social distancing rules. Also due to social distancing, groups that previously used the house will need to be relocated to the sacristy or the hall. At this stage I don't expect the halls being back in use for groups until after the school summer holidays (subject to everything being safe).

School Uniform Exchange

We will be running our successful School Uniform Exchange again this year. Drop off will be on Friday 2nd July between 5pm & 7pm and Saturday 3rd July between 10:30am and 1:30pm. Collection on the 10th & 11th July. If you would like to help either with collections, sorting or distribution please contact the parish office. Thank you.

What is Christian baptism?

The sacrament of Baptism is necessary for our eternal salvation. As Jesus himself said, "I tell you most solemnly: unless you are born again through water and the Spirit, you cannot enter the kingdom of God." To "Baptise" means to "immerse water". By baptism, a person is immersed into the death and resurrection of Christ so that we can rise to a new and unending life. In this way, the new Christian leaves behind the old way of life and takes on a new life. They become a disciple of Jesus Christ and a member of his Body, the Church. For a person to be baptised, they must believe in God and freely profess faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and in the doctrines or teachings of the Church. (In the case of infants, the parents and Godparents make this profession on behalf of the child.)

Laudato Si Circle meeting Saturday 19th June 11:00am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86035101493?pwd=d0ZCQXU1SnY3NWdSWEJUWVoxNk5ZZz09>

Meeting ID: 860 3510 1493 Passcode: 642652

Food and Clothing appeal

The social / Welfare team at Carronshore Primary are looking for donations of Food and Clothing to provide hampers to vulnerable families in the last week of term to help combat "Holiday Hunger". Please drop off any non-perishable food items or good quality children's clothing to St Francis Xavier's church porch / house before 2:00pm on Wednesday 16th June. Thank you.

Collection: Last week's collection: £ 1605 Thank you for your continued financial support.

If you have Envelope no: 75 could you please speak to Fr Jamie? Thank you.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday 13 th June 2021 2021	11:00 am 10:00 am 12: 00 pm 7:00 pm	Mass Mass Mass Mass	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's
Monday, 14 th June	9:30 am 10:00 am	Mass Mass	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Tuesday, 15 th June	10:00 am	Mass	St Francis Xavier's
Wednesday, 16 th June	10:00 am	Mass	St Francis Xavier's
Thursday, 17 th June	9:30 am 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Mass Mass No Novena due to Confirmations	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's
Friday, 18 th June	9:30 am 10:00 am	Mass St Andrews P7 Leavers Mass (Invited Guests only)	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Saturday, 19 th June	9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 5:45 pm 6:30 pm	Mass Mass Confessions Confessions Vigil Mass	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's