

The Parish of St Francis Xavier's
St Francis Xavier's & St Anthony's Churches
Parish Newsletter,
Sunday 22nd August 21, 21st 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

If you have envelope no 44, please contact the Parish office.

Tea & Coffee will resume after 10:00am Mass at St Francis Xavier's and 11:00 am at St Anthony's. If you are able and willing to help out, please contact the parish office.

New arrangements for attending Mass.

Booking for Mass is no longer necessary. However, we would ask that you kindly use the link to register for the Masses which you are most likely to attend. this will be a one-off registration. **Please complete a form for each adult member of your household.** We can then make up a check list which can be ticked off when you arrive. <https://forms.gle/35TsdzJLms7WMXHV7> Paper copies are also available, please return them to the parish house.

It will still be possible to just come along but we will need to take your details when you arrive.

In addition, we will also reinstate the procession for Holy Communion. Please follow the guidance of the stewards.

Anniversaries

Please Pray for: Bernard Harkins, Anne Herriott, Alexander Strathie, Eddie Morven, Alice Elliott, Denis O'Donnell, Jack McGuire, Nancy Robb, George Herriott, Mary Teresa Sweeney, Elizabeth Matyozkowioz, Tommy Winters Snr, Andrew Coyle, Neil Mochan, Stella Marcinkiewicz, Marion Cram, Kevin Harvey, Christine Anderson, Margaret Peters, Ann Frame, Ruth McRorie, Margaret Gentleman, Helen (Lena) Dobbie, Jeanie Oliver, Darren MacLean, Alexander Downie, John Boyle, Francis Little, Francis Little, Jen Welsh, Michael Schofield, James Harley, Elizabeth Vlahos, Tessie Clarkin, James Sneddon, Margaret Politowski. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace, Amen.

Baptisms

If you wish to have your child baptised, please arrange an appointment with one of the priests or Deacon Kenneth. Any emails regarding baptism should be sent to baptism@falkirkcatholics.org

Care for Our Common Home. Our parish Laudato Si group warmly invite you to our Season of Creation service on Sat 11th Sept at 12-1pm in St Francis Xavier's Church. Through music and prayer, experiences and meditation, we want to explore how we can all respond to The Cry of the Earth and The Cry of the Poor, individually, and as a parish. All are welcome! Bring a friend!

The Family of Danny Gallagher would like to thank all those who attended Danny's funeral, sent cards and Mass cards and provided support in our loss. Holy Mass will be offered in thanksgiving for all.

Anne Gallagher

Courses at Gillis Centre

Applications are now open for a variety of courses run by St Mary's University at the Gillis Centre Campus in Edinburgh, starting this autumn. Why not improve your knowledge of the Catholic Faith with an MA in Theology? Teachers are invited to register now for a of MA Education courses as part of their continuing professional development. These are: Catholic School Leadership; Leading Innovation and Change; Pedagogy; Religious Education. Watch testimonies from students on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel (bit.ly/ArchYouTube). All details at www.stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh

Webinar for clergy & parish finance committees

Funding for clergy retirement is the biggest financial challenge facing our Archdiocese. Clergy and members of parish finance committees are invited to a Zoom webinar at 6:30pm on Tuesday 31 August, hosted by the Archdiocese. The session will share the progress made, the challenges faced and options for parish based solutions. Here is the link to join on the night: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89884035553>

Synod

A synod of the bishops will take place in Rome in 2023. The Holy Father has asked for the synod's preparations to begin in local churches. It will begin with a period of consultation and discernment on Sunday 17 October this year. Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM has been asked to be the Archdiocese's lead delegate in the national synodal process and will be assisted by Fr John Deighan (Lennoxton, Milton & Torrance). An announcement will be made soon on how that process will take shape in our Archdiocese.

Safeguarding webinar

The Bishops of Scotland invite clergy, religious, church employees and volunteers across Scotland to a national safeguarding webinar at 11am on Saturday 2 October. It will be a chance to find out more about the safeguarding document *In Gods Image v2* and reflect upon on its implications for your safeguarding role in the Church. The link to register is: bit.ly/3gQRdPu

Vocations

The monthly Mass for Vocations will be at 6:30pm on Monday 6 September at St Columba's, 9 Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh (EH9 1SN).

Collection: Last week's collection: £ 1531 Thank you for your continued financial support.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday 22nd August	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, 23 rd August	10:00 am	Mass	St Francis Xavier's
Tuesday, 24 th August <i>St Bartholomew</i>	10:00 am	Mass	St Francis Xavier's
Wed, 25 th August	10:00 am	Liturgy of the word & Holy Communion	St Francis Xavier's
Thursday, 26 th August	9:30 am 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Mass Mass Novena / Confessions	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's
Friday, 27 th August <i>St Monica</i>	9:30 am 10:00 am	Mass Mass	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Saturday, 28 th August <i>St Augustine</i>	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

