

**The Parish of St Francis Xavier's
St Francis Xavier's & St Anthony's Churches
Parish Newsletter,
Sunday 7th November 21, 32nd 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.

Nov 7th 4pm - To commemorate the faithful departed, Fr Jamie, Fr Martin and Deacon Kenneth will conduct a service at Camelon, Old Grandsable and Muiravonside Cemeteries. Parishioners are invited to light a candle and say a prayer at the graveside of loved ones. Candles will be available for a donation to church funds. A bereavement Mass will be held in St Francis Xavier's Church on Thursday 11th at 7:00pm to which families and friends of deceased in the last year will be invited to attend.

First Confession There will be a meeting for parents of children in primary 3 who wish to present their child for First Confession and Holy Communion on Monday 8th November at 7:00pm in St Francis Xavier's Hall.

November lists can be found in the porch. Please list the names of your deceased loved ones on a sheet and place it in the basket. Mass will be offered throughout the month for all the faithful departed.

Advent preparation Liturgy On Saturday 13th November at 12 noon we will be holding an Advent preparation liturgy. This will be an opportunity for us to think about how we celebrate the Advent season in preparation for Christmas. After the liturgy, the church stall will be offering a variety of Christmas cards and other items for sale.

At St Anthony's Parish in Rumford we are looking for new and enthusiastic people to help offer the children's liturgy. It's once a month on a Sunday at 11am mass. It's a lovely rewarding start to the day helping primary school children learn more about their faith. If you would like a chat about it or for more information, please get in touch. Kathleen Onori, Catrina Hamill and I would be more than happy to chat.

Toy Giveaway - We will take donations for our Christmas Toy appeal on the weekend of 4th / 5th December. Toys will be distributed on Saturday 12th December. More information to follow.

Annual Archdiocesan SSVP Mass Everyone is welcome to attend the annual Mass to mark the charitable work of the Society of St Vincent de Paul in our Archdiocese. It will be celebrated by Archbishop Cushley at St Patrick's in the Cowgate, Edinburgh, at 11am on Saturday 20 November.

Prisoners' Week Launch Service This takes place at 7pm on Monday 22 November at St Mary's Cathedral, followed by refreshments in the Coffee Saints café. Please register to attend at <http://www.prisonersweek.org.uk/events>

Jesus in the Eucharist and You The Archdiocese has put together a series of three videos titled *Jesus in the Eucharist and You*. They will help us prepare for the launch of the 40 Hours' Devotion which takes place in every parish at scheduled times throughout the coming liturgical year. Watch the first one from 7:30pm this Monday 8 November on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel bit.ly/ArchYouTube

Safeguarding The latest edition of the Safeguarding Matters magazine from the Bishops' Conference of Scotland is available at bcos.org.uk/safeguarding

World Day of the Poor This takes place on Sunday 14 November. This year the Caritas, Justice and Peace Commission of the Archdiocese wish to use the Special Collection to be taken that weekend to support two projects of the Society of St Vincent de Paul: The Furniture Project based in Kingseat and the Caravan Project in Port Seton.

Vocations Mass The Archdiocesan monthly Mass for Vocations takes place at 6:30pm on Monday 8 November at St Albert's Chaplaincy in George Square, Edinburgh. All welcome to come and pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Saving money on energy and Caring for our Common Home (*Laudato Si'*). We can save money and reduce our carbon footprint by using energy more efficiently. We can use less energy for heating water for washing and drinking. By saving water, we also cut the energy needed for treating and pumping water. Here are some tips on savings from <https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/hub/quick-tips-to-save-energy/>, calculated before the rise in costs.

Action	Possible saving per year
Spend 1 minute less in your daily shower	£17 per family of four
Fit a water-efficient shower-head	£30 per family of four
Do one machine-wash fewer per week	£8 per person
Boil only the water you need in the kettle	£6 per person

We can also set the washing machine to a lower temperature and only run it when it's full.

Anniversaries

Please Pray for: Francis Harvey, Margaret McKenna, Mary Heanue, Mary Callaghan, Donald Cameron Burt, Marion Fitzpatrick, B. Kewell, Joe Winters, Melanie Costa bir, Janet Hunter, Helen Crossley, Patrick Coyle McGlade, Ena Rossi, Mary Smith, Susan McQuade, Helen Stirling, James McGuire, Peter MacDonald, David Allan, Jessie Cannon, Peggy McKenna, Mary Keenan, James McGlade Snr., Susan O'Connor, James (Jimmy) Doyle, Neil O'Donnell, John McGuire, Sandra Sharp, Robina Dougall, Annie Strathie, Helen Harvey, James Martin Gallagher, Catherine Cameron, Elaine Lynch. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace, Amen**

Funerals

Name	Reception	Funeral Mass	Church
Elisabeth Jackson R.I.P.	Sunday 7 th November 6:00pm	Monday 8 th November 10:00am	St Francis Xavier's
Margaret Higgins R.I.P.		Tuesday 9 th November 10:00am	St Francis Xavier's

Collection: Last week's collection: £1591. Collection for MISSIO: £906. Thank you for your continued financial support.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday 7 th November 32 nd Sunday Year B	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, 8 th November <i>Blessed John Duns Scotus</i>	9:30 am 10:00 am	Mass Funeral Mass & Rosary	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Tuesday, 9 th November <i>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>	10:00 am	Funeral Mass & Divine Mercy Prayer Group	St Francis Xavier's
Wed, 10 th November <i>St Leo the Great</i>	09:30 am 10:00 am	Mass Mass & Rosary	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Thursday, 11 th November <i>St Martin of Tours</i>	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Mass & Rosary Remembrance Mass	St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's
Friday, 12 th November <i>St Josaphat</i>	09:30am 10:00 am	Mass Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Saturday, 13 th November	9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 5:45 pm 6:30 pm	Mass Mass & Rosary Confessions Confessions Vigil Mass	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's

Morning Prayer starts at 9:30am Monday-Saturday.