

**The Parish of St Francis Xavier's**  
**St Francis Xavier's & St Anthony's Churches**  
**Parish Newsletter,**  
**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 21, 33<sup>rd</sup> 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.**

**Remembrance Day** – There will be a Remembrance Day service at 9:30 am at the memorial on Camelon Road and at 1:30pm at the Lock 16 memorial in Camelon. It would be good to have a representation from the parish at these community events.

**World Day of the Poor** a collection will be taken up this week. 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.

**First Communion** There will be a meeting for parents of children in primary 4 on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 7:00pm in St Francis Xavier's Hall.

**Children's Liturgy** At St Anthony's church 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.

**Synod Meeting** Our Parish meeting for the Synod is on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm in the Parish Hall. We encourage as many people as possible to take part.

**Church Volunteers** We would like to invite all volunteers for a Mass followed by a meal in the Parish Hall on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 7:00pm. Please use the link <https://forms.gle/5iAPptMEWH5jmvLg7> or form available at the church porch to confirm your attendance.

**Falkirk Council Community Choices** Clubs, groups, community orgs and individuals with ideas to improve the local area can apply for funding through the Community Choices project. We're keen that church based groups – pensioners lunch clubs, mother and toddler groups, community-based youth work etc - can apply for funding which benefits the wider community. There are two funds available: Small Grants (up to £5k), Place-Based Capital Programme 9(£5 and above). The closing dates for applications are 19 Nov and 7 January respectively. If anyone is interested in applying, they should request an application form by emailing [community.choices@falkirk.gov.uk](mailto:community.choices@falkirk.gov.uk)

**Toy Giveaway** We will take donations of good condition toys and gifts for our Christmas Toy appeal on the weekend of 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> December. Toys will be distributed on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> 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>

**Safeguarding** The latest edition of the Safeguarding Matters magazine from the Bishops' Conference of Scotland is available at [bcos.org.uk/safeguarding](http://bcos.org.uk/safeguarding)

**Saving money on energy and Caring for our Common Home (*Laudato Si'*).** The nights are drawing in, and we need to turn the lights on in our homes, but we can still reduce our costs and our carbon footprints. The tips below were calculated before the rise in prices and are from <https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/hub/quick-tips-to-save-energy/>.

Action	Possible saving per year
Replace our traditional bulbs with LEDs	£30
Turn off our lights when they're not needed	£11

LEDs use less energy to give the same amount of light as traditional bulbs. For example, to replace a traditional 100W bulb, we need an LED of around 13.5W and 1,520 lumen. Energy usage is measured in watts. Light is measured in lumen. We can choose soft or warm white LEDs to coorie in with, and cool or pure white LEDs for the home-office.

### Anniversaries

**Please Pray for:** Una McLuckie, Diana McCartney, William H. Jordan, The Crosbie Family, Elizabeth McGlynn, Elizabeth Forsyth, Norma Canny, Nicholas McFeat, Anna McFeat , Mary Alke McKenna, Rose Ann Gallagher, Natalie McCue, John McMahon, Hugh Forsyth, William Hunter, Joseph Dooner Jnr., Christina Kidd, Colette Carter, John MacDonald, Joseph Grogan, William Byrne, Catherine Harkins, Mary Ruterford, Winfred Gladys Alley, Hugh Lawrence, Rose Byrne, Teresa O'Hara, Helen Kosoris, Peter McBride, Joe Healey, Clare Catherine Welsh, Rose Byrne. **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](mailto:baptism@falkirkcatholics.org) The next preparation course will be on 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7:00pm.

**Collection:** Last week's collection: £1680. Thank you for your continued financial support.

### Weekly Schedule

Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Year B <i>World Day of the Poor</i>	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, 15 <sup>th</sup> November	9:30 am 10:00 am	Mass Mass & Rosary	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Tuesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> November <i>St Margaret of Scotland</i>	10:00 am	Mass & Divine Mercy Prayer Group	St Francis Xavier's
Wed, 17 <sup>th</sup> November <i>St Elizabeth of Hungary</i>	09:30 am 10:00 am 7:00pm	Mass Mass & Rosary Education Week Mass	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's
Thursday, 18 <sup>th</sup> November	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Mass & Rosary Novena / Confession	St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's
Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> November	09:30am 10:00 am	Mass Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Saturday, 20 <sup>th</sup> 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.**