

The Parish of St Francis Xavier's
St Francis Xavier's & St Anthony's Churches
Parish Newsletter,
Sunday 13th February 22, 6th Sunday Year C
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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.

Presentation of the Creed for children in Primary 4 preparing for First Holy Communion will take place at all Sunday Masses next weekend.

The youth group are organising a trip to Airthril in Falkirk on Sunday 27th Feb after 10am mass. All ages P7-S6 are welcome and we are keen to see some new faces coming along. Please email stfxyg@gmail.com or speak to Helen Quinn to register your interest.

UCM our next meeting is on WEDNESDAY 16th February when there will be a talk by the historian Ian Scott at 1.30 pm. All parishioners are most welcome.

Young People's Mental Health and Caring for Our Common Home (*Laudato Si'*). Last week was Children's Mental Health Week (CMHW). CMHW highlights the importance of looking after mental health in children and young people. Don't worry if you missed it – you can still find lots of resources online (e.g. <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>; <https://www.place2be.org.uk/>). A study of 10,000 young people, aged 16-25, found that the environmental crisis is resulting in many feeling afraid, anxious, betrayed or abandoned. Many think they have no future and 40% are hesitant to have children. (See <https://www.hds.scot/news/young-people-feel-anxious-about-climate-change/>.) We can answer this cry for help by reducing our own carbon footprints and campaigning for change – caring for the mental wellbeing of our young people, while Caring for Our Common Home.

Vacancy The Archdiocese is recruiting an **Adviser in Religious Education** (primary schools). While the post is full-time, applicants looking for part-time or flexible working patterns are also encouraged to apply. Please see archedinburgh.org.uk/news-events for full details.

Rediscover Your Marriage The Retrouvaille programme offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Many headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information or to register for the programme, which begins with a virtual weekend 3-6 March, call/text 0788 7296983 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com The website is at www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Called and Gifted Workshop You have received gifts in Baptism and Confirmation through which God intends His love to reach others. Come and discover these charisms in you at the *Called and Gifted Workshop*. It takes place from 8:30am-5:30pm on Saturday February 19th at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. To register and for more info visit bit.ly/calledgifted

40 Hours' Devotion Each parish in the Archdiocese is having 40 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament to help renew our Faith and love of Jesus Christ. Full programme for the Archdiocese at bit.ly/40hoursschedule. Find out more about Eucharistic Adoration: bit.ly/40HoursPlaylist

Making Disciples Seminar Learn how God is at work in your life and in the lives of others in this three-day seminar. It will sharpen your evangelisation skills and show how each of us can be an instrument in God's hand as we walk as His disciples. It takes place from Friday 25 - Sun 27 February at St Kentigern's Church, 26-28 Parkgrove Avenue, Barnton, EH4 7QR. To register and for more info visit bit.ly/disciplesseminar

Pro-Life opportunity Do you have experience in Adobe, particularly in Design and Photoshop? Could you help Stanton Healthcare, a new pregnancy support charity, with their images and brochures? Find out more from Paul Atkin at the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office - paul.atkin@staned.org.uk <<https://mailto:paul.atkin@staned.org.uk>>

Events for married/engaged couples The Archdiocese is hosting events for married and engaged couples in the lead-up to the 10th World Meeting of Families (Rome 22-26 June 2022). These events are for couples to come before the Lord together in reflection on the beautiful Catholic vision of marriage and family life, thanksgiving for the gift of this calling and prayer for the blessing of their love. Register at bit.ly/ArchEventbrite

- Sunday 6 March 2022, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, 4.00-5.00pm - Holy Hour with Archbishop Leo
- Sunday 3 April 2022, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, 4.00-5.30pm - Testimony and Holy Hour with Anton and Angela Colella
- Sunday 8 May 2022, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, 3.00-5.30pm - Afternoon Retreat with Brian and Maureen Devine
- Wednesday 18 May 2022, St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, 7.00pm - Mass for Married and Engaged Couples

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

Anniversaries

Please Pray for: Douglas Crawford Horn, John Brown, James McGuirk, James Johnston Dundee, Christina Travers, Ian Alexander, John McColl, Pat Wood, Nellie Devine, John McGuckin Snr, Mary Cameron, John Welsh, Joan Flucker, Mhairi Nutey, Patrick Sweeney, Catherine Beattie, Helen Moore Marshall, Margaret Marshall, Agnes (Nancy) McPaul, John O'Donnell, Anthony Hanlon, James Silcock, Grace Blo, Thomas McAteer, Andrew Montgomery, Bernard Gallagher, Patrick McGlynn, Margaret Canny, William F Jordan, Antonio Vettraino, Ernest Koszary, Stanley Woods, Anthony Winters, Mary Pow, Wladyslaw Stasiowski, Robert Ure. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may they rest in peace, Amen.**

Funerals

Name	Reception	Funeral Mass	Church
David Williamson R.I.P.		Tuesday 15 th February 10:00 am	St Francis Xavier's
David Cattnach R.I.P.		Tuesday 22 nd February 10:00 am	St Francis Xavier's

Collection: Last week's collection: £1397. Mission Appeal £1858. Thank you for your continued financial support.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday 13 th February 6 th Sunday of the Year	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 February <i>St Cyril and St Methodius</i>	09:30 am 10:00 am	Mass Mass & Rosary	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Tuesday, 15 th February	10:00 am	Funeral Mass & Divine Mercy Prayer Group	St Francis Xavier's
Wednesday, 16 th February	09:30 am 10:00 am	Mass Mass & Rosary	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Thursday, 17 th February	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Mass & Rosary Novena/Confession	St Francis Xavier's St Francis Xavier's
Friday, 18 th February	09:30 am 10:00am	Mass Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	St Anthony's St Francis Xavier's
Saturday, 19 th February	09:30 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.