

**The Parish of St Francis Xavier's**  
**St Francis Xavier's & St Anthony's Churches**  
**Parish Newsletter,**  
**Sunday 10th April 22, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, 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.**

**Holy Week** As we enter Holy week, I encourage you to participate in the Solemn liturgies of this most sacred time. We welcome members of the other Churches who will join us for Stations of the Cross on Monday and the other liturgies throughout the week. We are also invited to attend some of the services in the other churches (see poster at the back of the church). On Good Friday morning at 10:30 am there will be an ecumenical Walk of Witness leaving from St Francis Xavier's and stopping at various points in the High Street. Please come and join our fellow Christians on this important occasion.

**Gift Aid envelopes** are now available for the coming tax year. Please fill in the form included in the box and return to the Parish Office. With the new tax year approaching, this is an ideal time to consider registering for Gift Aid. For more information, please contact Parish Office. Leaflets available at the back of the church.

**Housebound.** We are updating our housebound list. Communion Ministers, please collect the form for people who you visit. If you know of anyone who's housebound and would like the visit, please collect the form from sacristy.

**Saving Money on Energy Bills and Caring for Our Common Home (*Laudato Si'*).** We may be worried about how to manage our higher energy costs. Free advice is available at <https://www.homeenergyscotland.org/>, to help us to afford our energy needs and lower our carbon footprints, or we can phone the Home Energy Efficiency Programme advisers on 0808 808 2282 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 8pm; Saturday, 9am to 5pm). They will advise us how to use less energy, whilst still staying warm, and check whether we're entitled to any discounts, benefits, or tax credits. They'll also tell us if we can apply for any grants and loans that may be available to help us to keep the heat in and tackle damp, or to put in new, more effective heating systems.

**Walking Group - Walk of Faith** will take place on Tuesday 12 April 2022 from St.Paul's Church Milton of Campsie to Schoenstatt. We will meet at St. Paul's for mass at 09.30 then walk along a former railway path to Schoenstatt, which is approximately four miles. On arrival we will have a snack, visit the shrine chapel and have Stations of the Cross outdoors. We will then return walk to Milton of Campsie. Anyone interested in joining us will be most welcome. You will have to arrange your transport to Milton of Campsie and bring a snack. For more information contact Neil on 07718625511 or speak to a member of the Walking Group

**Holy Week** Want to explore Holy Week more closely? Check out the two videos from Canon Hugh White, of Bathgate, which take an in-depth look at this important time in the Church's calendar to help us focus in mind and heart on the Passion of Christ. Find them on the YouTube channel of the Archdiocese: [bit.ly/ArchYouTube](https://bit.ly/ArchYouTube)

**Vacancy** St Paul's bookshop, run by the Society of St Paul, is set to open next to St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh and is looking for a manager to run it. The job is full-time and the role holder will have experience working in retail/customer service. To apply, submit your CV and a covering letter to [morag@forthhr.co.uk](mailto:morag@forthhr.co.uk) by 5pm, Monday 18 April. Search 'bookshop manager' at [www.goodmoves.com](http://www.goodmoves.com) for a full job description.

**Lent – Stations of the Cross** The Archdiocesan Pro-Life Stations of the Cross concludes online at 7:45pm on Tuesday 12 April and will feature a reflection from Mgr Gerry Hand of Holy Cross Parish in Edinburgh. Pray with clergy and parishioners for mothers, unborn children and all pro-life intentions. Register at [bit.ly/prolifeevents](https://bit.ly/prolifeevents) (30 min event)

**Pro-Life Rosary with Archbishop Cushley** Join Archbishop Cushley to pray the Rosary for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions at 10am on Saturday 23 April at Sacred Heart Church, 26 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh. This event precedes Scotland's national Pro-Life Chain which takes place on nearby Lothian Road at 11am.

**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. It continues at St Mary & St David Hawick, from Friday 29 April to Sunday 1 May. Full programme for the Archdiocese is at [bit.ly/40hourschedule](http://bit.ly/40hourschedule). Find out more about Eucharistic Adoration: [bit.ly/40HoursPlaylist](http://bit.ly/40HoursPlaylist)

**Lourdes Pilgrimage** The Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage is back! It takes place from 8-15 July and will be led by Archbishop Cushley. All the details you need are at [www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes22](http://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes22)

**Catholics in health and social care** If you work in health and social care and are interested in learning about the ethical challenges, register now for Catholics in Health and Social Care. It's a Zoom event and is ideal for those who missed the same event which took place recently at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh. It takes place 11:30am-4:45pm on Saturday 14 May. Register at <https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/events/2022/05/catholics-in-health-and-social-care>

**Message from SSVV** "Thanks for all donations to the *World Day of the Poor* collection which took place in November. The money you donated will go a long way to helping people in need. It is being split evenly between two initiatives run by the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SSVP) in the Archdiocese: *Furniture Project* – helps furnish homes of those who cannot afford basic commodities; *Caravan Project* – provides a caravan break for families who often do not have a holiday. Special thanks to the Archdiocesan Caritas, Justice & Peace Commission which kindly earmarked the donations for these projects." - Richard Steinbach, president of SSVV in our Archdiocese.

**Anniversaries: Please Pray for:** Cathy McBride, Mary Kennedy, Archie Connachie, James McArdle, Margaret McElroy, William Moodie, Frances Berrie, Thomas Patrick Lynach, Charles McGhee Snr, Ellen McGhee, Frances Harvey, Peter Francis Flaherty, Daniel Kane, Pauline Gemmel, Josephine Sisman, Gino Bertolini, Marjory Travers, James Frame, George Harris, Greta Malley, Giacinto Notarangelo, Mary Savoy, Flora Weir, Peter Kennedy, George Jenkins, Mr Varghese, Thomas (Carrie) Lynach, Michael Martin, John Mitchell, Eileen Burns, Mary Keenan, Cathy McBride, Edward Harvey, Francis McAllister, Edward Harvey. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may they rest in peace, Amen.**

**Funerals**

Name	Reception	Funeral Mass	Church
Phillip Donnelly R.I.P.	Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> April 4:00 pm	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 9:30 am	St Anthony's

**Collection:** Last week's collection: £1710. Thank you for your continued financial support.

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGES TO THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE. There will be no evening Mass on Easter Sunday.**

Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	11:00 am	Mass	St Anthony's
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	10:00 am	Mass	St Francis Xavier's
	12: 00 pm	Mass	St Francis Xavier's
	7:00 pm	Mass	St Francis Xavier's
	Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> April	09:30 am	Mass & Divine Mercy Prayer Group
	10:00 am	Mass & Rosary	St Francis Xavier's
	7:00 pm	Ecumenical Stations of the Cross	St Francis Xavier's
	Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> April	10:00 am	Mass & Divine Mercy Prayer Group
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> April	09:30 am	Funeral Mass	St Anthony's
	10:00 am	Mass & Rosary	St Francis Xavier's
Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Thursday of the Lord's Supper</i>	09:30 am	Morning Prayer	St Anthony's Church
	10:00 am	Morning Prayer	St Francis Xavier's
	7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	St Francis Xavier's
	7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	St Anthony's
	10:00 pm	Night Prayer	Both Churches
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> April Friday of the Passion of the Lord	09:30 am	Morning Prayer	St Anthony's
	10:00 am	Morning Prayer	St Francis Xavier's
	10:30 am	Walk of witness	St Francis Xavier's
	3:00 pm	Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord	St Francis Xavier's
	3:00 pm	Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord	St Anthony's
	7:00pm	Tenebrae Service	St Francis Xavier's
	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross	St Anthony's
Saturday, 16 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Holy Saturday at the Tomb of Christ</i>	09:30 am	Morning Prayer	St Anthony's
	10:00 am	Morning Prayer	St Francis Xavier's
	8:30 pm	Easter Vigil Mass	St Francis Xavier's
	8:30 pm	Easter Vigil Mass	St Anthony's