



The Parish of St Francis Xavier's
St Francis Xavier's & St Anthony's Churches
Sunday 11th May 2025, **4th Sunday of Easter**

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Mass Times and Intentions

St Francis Xavier's Church

St Anthony's Church

Saturday Vigil, 5pm; Elizabeth & John McGrory
(Anniversary)

Sunday, 10am; Brian Redding (Anniversary)
12 noon; Catherine McGuire (Anniversary)
3pm (Polish)
7pm; Maria Caramando, RIP

Monday, 10am Requiem Mass; Leo Pellegrini,
RIP

Tuesday, 10am; Simon Murphy (Anniversary)

Wednesday, 10am Requiem Mass; James
McKenna, RIP

Thursday, 10am Requiem Mass; Alison & Danny
McCue, RIP

7pm; May
Devotion

Friday, 10am Requiem Mass; Ann McGuirk, RIP

Saturday, 10am; Margaret McGoldrick
(Anniversary)

11am; Edward Brady, RIP

9am; Exposition, **9:30am,** John Peter Scanlan
(Anniversaries)

9:30am; Ann McKiernan, RIP

9:30am; Vena Kelly, RIP

Confession is available in St Francis Xavier's church on **Saturday morning** (10:30am – 11:15am) and **Saturday evening** (4:15pm - 4:45pm).

Thank you for your generosity. Last week's offertory cash collection was **£2403.05**.

Infant Baptism. The next preparation meeting is **Monday, 26th May, at 7pm** in St Francis Xavier's Church hall. For further information, please email Deacon Kenneth:
baptism.stfrancisfalkirk@staned.org.uk

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in St Francis Xavier's church from Monday to Saturday at 9am.

Morning Prayer takes place in the small chapel, in the porch, at St Francis Xavier's church from 9:30am Monday to Saturday.

Leo XIV is our new Pope

I was somewhat surprised when at around 5pm [our time] the famous white smoke cascaded from the chimney overlooking Saint Peter's square. Surprised because I thought it may have been a slightly longer conclave, given there were such a large number of Cardinal electors who were probably not well known to each other.

However, as we should be aware, the Holy Spirit operates, not only in mysterious ways, but in powerful ways as well.

Our new Holy Father, though born and raised in Chicago, joined the Augustinian Order, working mostly in South America, thereby giving him extensive knowledge of the church in that culture.

This weekend then, let us pray for him as he begins the Petrine Office of service to the Catholic Church throughout the world.

Cluster Jubilee Mass

On Thursday, in St Francis Xavier's Church, we celebrated a wonderful Jubilee Mass with our cluster schools. Some pupils led the Mass readings, bidding prayers and gave a great presentation on how they are living out the *Year of Hope* within the school community. All pupils in attendance were a great credit to their family and school. I wish to express my thanks to the cluster headteachers and all who made this celebration possible. Fr Allan

The Feast of Our Lady of Fatima is this Tuesday. To commemorate this day, the Legion of Mary will lead the rosary in St Francis Xavier's Church starting at 10:50am and on the hour from 12

noon until 4pm. Please join in if you can.

SPRED The next SPRED meeting with friends is on 21st May from 7pm - 9pm in St Francis Xavier's church hall.

Gift Aid Envelopes are available in both church porches for those who are already registered. If you would like to sign-up for Gift Aid, please complete a declaration form (available in the porch) and return it to the parish office.

Events in the Archdiocese For a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese visit: <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events>

Volunteers Required to serve tea, coffee and toast in St Francis Xavier's hall after 10am Mass on Fridays. If you can help, please speak to Norah.

Hot Rolls available in **St Francis Xavier's** hall after 10am Mass next Sunday. Proceeds will be donated to St Mungo's Lourdes fundraising.

May Devotions will continue this Thursday, 15th May, at 7pm in St Francis Xavier's church and run every Thursday until and including 29th May. The devotions will include: Exposition, Rosary, Litany to Our Lady and Benediction. Please join us if you can!

Scottish Parliament assisted suicide vote The Scottish

Parliament is expected to vote on assisted suicide in the coming weeks. Please

visit <https://carenotkilling.scot/> to email your MSPs in a few easy clicks

The National UCM Mass will take place this Saturday, 17th May, at 12 noon in St Francis Xavier's Church.

Children's Liturgy Workshop (New date) Join the Catechetics Commission for the second Children's Liturgy (CL) Catechist Workshop. The morning will begin with Mass and include a presentation on music & art and a time of discussion. It takes place on Saturday 17 May 2025 9:30am – 12:00pm at The Gillis Centre 100 Strathearn Rd EH9 1BB. Register at bit.ly/childrensliturgy2. Contact srmiriam.ruth@staned.org.uk with any questions.

Mass Intentions There is a great tradition, here in the parish, of having anniversary Masses offered for relatives and friends. In the book of Maccabees, we read: *'It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead.'* The clergy, as far as possible, try to honour the anniversary dates requested. Please, be assured all anniversary Masses will be celebrated here in the parish. If you would like an anniversary Mass offered, please give at least four weeks' notice.

Anniversaries: Hugh Fawcett, Hugh Fawcett Jnr, Jean Fawcett, Fr. Herbert Herrity, William Welsh,

James Byrne, Annie Maguire, James Smith, James Buchanan, Bridget Brown, Michael Martin, Bridget O'Donnell, Jim Campbell, Peter Clark, Anne Marchi, May O'Brien, Edward Gray, John Wood, Hannah Power Wood, Tom Wood, Georgie Wood, Bernard Joseph Shields, Mary Shields, Bridget Power, Thomas Power, George Wood, Mary Lamont Wood, Mary McGlynn, John Fleming, Rosemary Docherty, Jean Gogan, Bridget McCartney, Edmund Powlowski, Annie Kane, Thomas Monteith, James Lynn, Thomas Ferrier, Agnes Cairns, Betty Struthers, Patrick Grogan, William Lilley, Tom Callaghan, John Sludden, Nancy Timmins, Christine McAteer, Sean Byrne, John Marshall, Ellen Dougan, Carmela Pozzo, Celia Holland, James Lynn, Mary Winters, Catherine Wood, Jay, John Docherty, Jessie Notorangelo, Gerry Pollock, Helen O'Connor, Catherine Mailer, Rev. Cannon J.C. Ward, Catherine McGuire, Hugh McMorrow, Scott Fraser, Lily MacFarlane, Paul Augustine Frank Barry, Mary Neish, Annie Fotheringham, Christine McLeish, Patricia Silcock, Mgr. W. Drobina, Devasia Thomson, Charles Enyi, William Farrell, Nan Nixon, John Peter Scalan, Nora Parker, Agnes Cullen, Edward Travers, George Beattie, Elizabeth Fullard, Brian Redding, John Semple, Annie Williamson, Fr. J. Tweedie, Peter Tilley, Anthony Evangelisti, Hugh Grogan, Mai Hickey, Frances Clafferty, Cathy McBride, Susan

'May the Angels Lead them into Paradise...'

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Leo, James, Alison, Danny, Ann and Maria and remember their families in your prayers.

Name	Reception	Requiem Mass	Church
Leo Pellegrini		Mon 12 th at 10am	St Francis Xavier's
James McKenna		Wed 14 th at 10am	St Francis Xavier's
Alison & Danny McCue	Wed 14 th at 6pm	Thur 15 th at 10am	St Francis Xavier's
Ann McGuirk	Thur 15 th at 6pm	Fri 16 th at 10am	St Francis Xavier's
Maria Caramando	Thur 29 th at 6pm	Fri 30 th at 10am	St Francis Xavier's

Coyle, Peter Docherty and
Bernadette Toland.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O
Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them. May they rest
in peace. Amen.*