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 Mon
 29th Sept: Mass at 10.00am

 Tues
 30th Sept: Mass at 10.00am

 Wed:
 01st Oct: Mass at 10.00am

Thur: 02nd Oct: Mass at 10.00am. **Bible Study** 7.00pm till 8.00pm in Presbytery

Frid: 03rd Oct: Mass at 10.00am.

Sat: 04th Oct: Mass at 10.00am. Feast of St Francis. Refreshments afterwards. See details below.

Sun: 05th Oct: Mass at 11.00am and 6.00pm.

Offertory: 21st Sept £930. Many thanks.

Sadly we have had to cancel the Parish Social on 3rd Oct. Not enough tickets were sold to make it viable. It seems that the end of the Month might have been more favourable.

We propose a *Bingo* night on Friday 7th Nov. to raise funds for Children's Cancer charities. The Annual *Christmas Dinner* takes place on 12th Dec for Mary's Meals.

Saturday 4th October is the Feast of *St Francis* of Assisi. Mass at 10.00am, with the Litany of St Francis. Refreshments in Hall afterwards.

At 12.00 Noon, *Bishop Hugh* will lead a reflection on the

Encyclical Laudato Si: Prayer for Creation, respect for the earth and its people.

Our **youth-Café** meets again on Friday 10th October from 7.00pm till 9.00pm. Games, food, music, chat. A new activity: stone painting with an expert teacher. Many thanks to those who attend: Young people and their helpers.

We have now begun preparing our young people for the Sacraments. Today, Saturday 27th Sept., from 10.40 to 11.20am., Children will be prepared for *Ist Confession*. 1st Holy Communion classes begin in Feb 2026, and Confirmation classes begin on 10th Jan 2026.

See Notice-Board for details of our Annual *Prayer for Creation*, led by Bishop Hugh, on Saturday 4th October at 12.00 Noon.

See notice-board for details of Men's *Retreat* in Kilroy Castle (14 to 16th November) and *Women's* Retreat in the same venue on 3rd to 5th October.

Father Peter's Bird Book (2nd Edition) is now on sale in the Sacristy for £15. Over 200 beautiful photographs and works of art. Signed copies with a little inscription as requested.

Please remember to bring old and foreign coins and paper money for the *Mary's Meals* collection.

Details: R.C. Diocese of Aberdeen, Mannofield, St Francis No 2 Acc. Acc No 00759404. Sort-Code 80-05-17. Many thanks to those who do Gift-Aid. You may make a direct debit, or put the envelopes into the Offertory Collection. There are gift-Aid envelopes for single use donations at the back of the church.

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