ST FRANCIS ABERDEEN. 22™ SEPT '24 25™ SUNDAY. CHARITABLE STATUS SC 005122

Mon 23rd Sept: Mass at 10.00am. Feast of Padre Pio.

Tues: 24th Sept: Mass at 10.00am. **Wed:** 25th Sept: Mass at 10.00am. **Thur:** 26th Sept: Mass at 10.00am

Frid: 27th Sept: Mass at 10.00am. St. Vincent de Paul.

Sat: 28th Sept: Mass at 10.00am. Confessions and Exposition afterwards.

Sun 29th Sept: Masses at 11.00am and 6.00pm.

MAY THE LORD OPEN MY HEART TO HEAR HIS WORDS OF LOVE.

Offertory: Sunday 15th September. £950. Many thanks. Gathering on Sat 7th Sept raised £3,643 (Mass, strewing of flowers, vegetarian meal, Auction of home-grown Vegetable). All proceeds to Orphan and sick children in Parish in India.

Soon we will begin preparing our young people for the *Sacraments*: 1st Confession, 1st Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Sister Rosario and Sister Claire will meet the parents after 11.00am Mass today, Sunday 22nd September in the Church upstairs to discuss times and dates. The Sisters propose to start *1st Confession preparation* Sat 28th Sept 11.40am.

On Friday 04th October we celebrate our annual *Prayer for Creation* at 7.00pm in St Francis Church. Music, Readings, and a Homily from Bishop Hugh. See the Notice in porch. All welcome.

Moira Morrison has been our Ambassador for *Mary's Meals* for a number of years, and has helped raise many hundreds of pounds. We acknowledge this with sincere thanks. The post is now vacant, and we invite applicants to apply. Contact Fr. Peter or Edgar Fernandes (details below)

Many thanks to those who helped with the *Youth-Café* Friday 20th Sept. August: Parents, helpers youngsters. Next Session Friday 11th October 7.00pm till 9.00pm.

Holy Hour on Friday 18th October, 7.00pm till 8.00pm. Begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. End with Latin Benediction and Sacrament of the Sick. Confessions throughout.

See notice-board for dates of Discipleship Retreats for men and women at Kilroy Castle. Men on 25th -27th Oct. Women 15th to 17th Nov. Contact details on poster.

See notice-board for **youth trips** to Tomintoul planned from Sept 6th to 8th For S1 and S2. Then October 25th to 27th for S2 to S3. Then November 15th to 16th for S4 to S6. Contact numbers and information on notice-board.

For those wishing to make a <u>Sunday Offering</u>, you may wish to pay directly to the Bank. 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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