

Fr Daniel P. Doherty



Fr Daniel Patrick Doherty was the Parish Priest of St Patrick's Kilsyth for 8 years from September 2014 until September 2022. He commenced his duties in St Patrick's Kilsyth on the 5th of September 2014. Fr Daniel was the 14th Parish Priest of St Patrick's Parish Kilsyth since a Catholic Parish was re-established after the Protestant Reformation in Scotland. The Parish was re-established on the 5th January 1865.

Fr Daniel was born in 1963 in Falkirk. His father was Patrick and his mother was Mary Doherty. He attended St Andrew's and St Francis schools for his primary education and St Mungo's for his secondary education.

Before going to seminary, Fr Daniel worked in the freight shipping industry for about 10 years.

He attended Scotus College, Glasgow 1992 till 1998 and was ordained in St Francis Xavier's, Falkirk on 30 June 1998 by the then Archbishop O'Brien subsequently Cardinal Keith Patrick O'Brien.

He served as an assistant priest at St Margaret's, Dunfermline, from 1998 to 1999.

His first appointment as a parish priest was in 1999 to St Joseph's Burntisland in Fife. In 2006, Fr Daniel moved to become the parish priest of the parishes of Holy Cross and St Margaret Mary's

Edinburgh where he stayed until he was appointed parish priest of St Patrick's Kilsyth on 6th September 2014.

Fr Doherty was highly regarded for his work with the youth, the elderly and sick of the parish and his work on the fabric of the Parish.

During his time in St Patrick's the war memorial was erected and the icon of St Patrick was placed at the back of the centre aisle. Fr Doherty introduced new furniture to the sanctuary and new statues around the niches of the building. The church received a new lighting system, a new organ and a new roof drainage system. The boundary walls were rebuilt and the old retaining wall which surrounded the garage and drying green was replaced.

In the Chapel House all the windows were replaced or refurbished, the garage roof was repaired and the interior décor was improved. Much other long term maintenance work was also done in the Church the hall and the grounds.

Fr Doherty left St Patrick's on Thursday the 1st of September after the 09:30 morning Mass. He is now Parish Priest at his home parish of St Francis Xaviour's Falkirk.

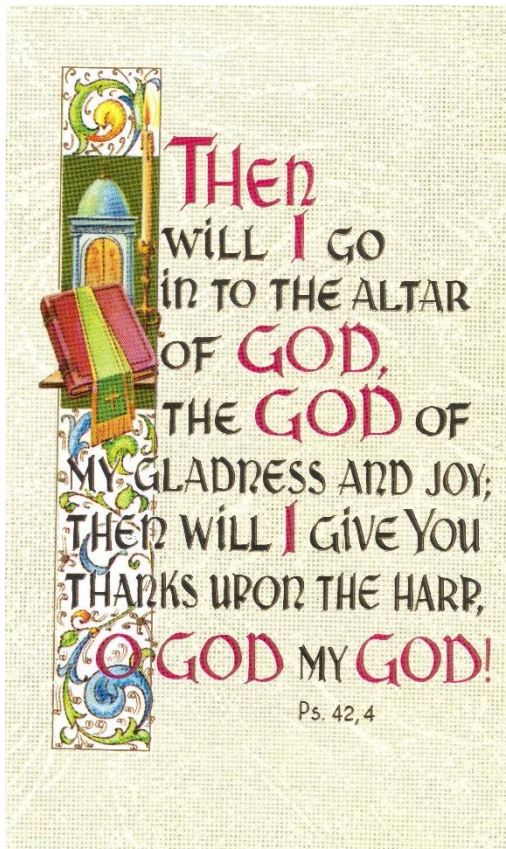


Fr Daniel P Doherty in St Patrick's Kilsyth

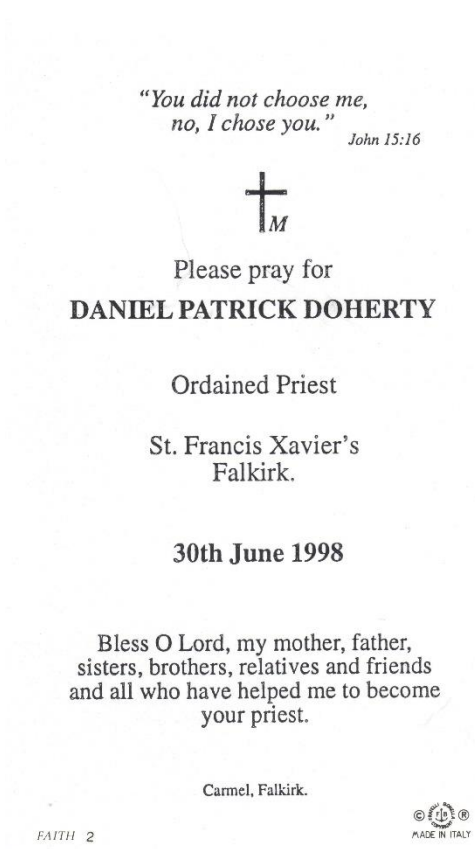


Fr Daniel Doherty robes Fr Jamie McMorrin at his Ordination to the Holy Priesthood in St Mary's Metropolitan Cathedral Edinburgh on the 24th June 2016. This was a proud moment for Fr Daniel as Jamie had been an alter server of his in his former parish of Burntisland in Fife.

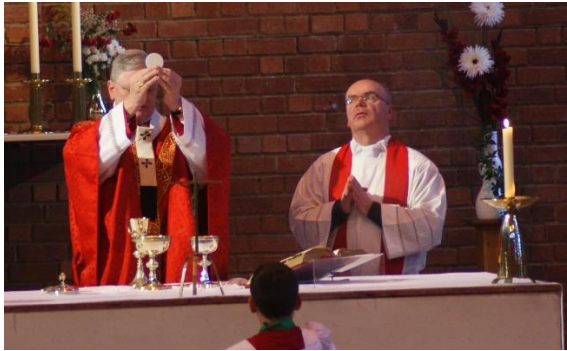
The ordination at the Cathedral was a double celebration as Fr Anthony Lappin was also ordained on the same day.



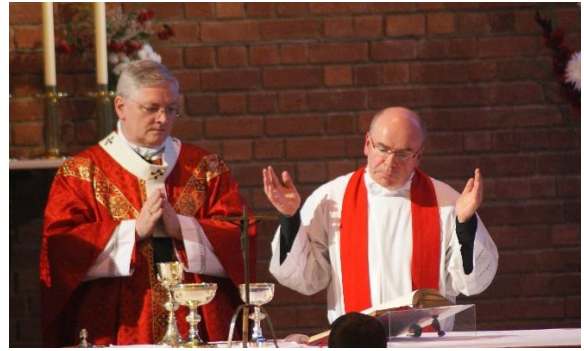
Fr Doherty's Ordination card front



Fr Doherty's Ordination card rear



Archbishop Cushley and Fr Daniel Doherty at St Patrick's 2015 Confirmations



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Fr Daniel Doherty after the 150th Anniversary year closing Mass in 2016 with Mrs Parkinson centre and Mrs Morgan left from St Patrick's School



Fr Daniel Doherty with Mrs Catherine McGrath - Fr Doherty receives a replica book stand on the occasion of the 150th Anniversary of the Parish in 2015



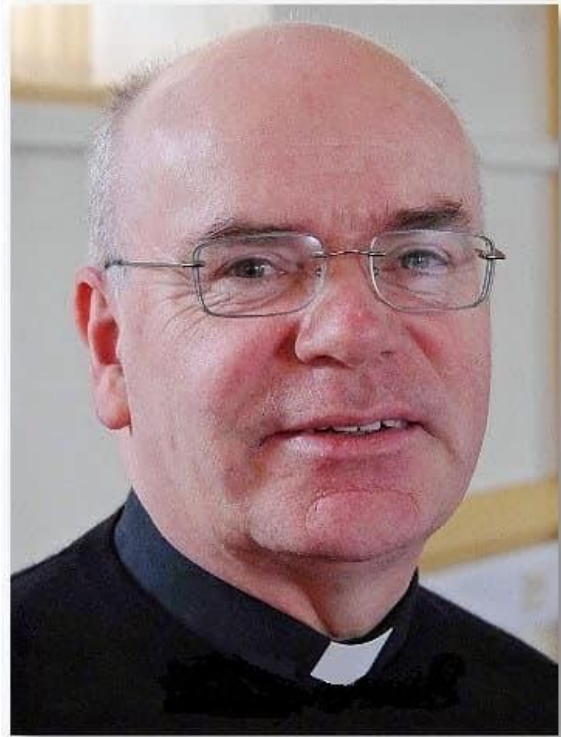
Fr Daniel Doherty say mass at the 2016 First Communion in St Patrick's Kilsyth



Fr Daniel Doherty concelebrates mass at the ordination of Fr Jamie McMorrin



Fr Doherty with Emily King at the 2022 Confirmations in St Patrick's



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Blessing of the Graves Sunday 26th June 2022 at Kilsyth Cemetery with Fr Daniel Doherty



Above - youth group volunteers at The Cotton House with Fr Doherty saying goodbye 2022