



# St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

4th Sunday of Easter

30th April 2023

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**Public Mass on Sunday is at 9:15 am and 11:00 am**

**LIVESTREAM: 11 am Mass on the second Sunday of each month**

Please follow the link on our Parish website: [www.stmichaels-rc.org.uk](http://www.stmichaels-rc.org.uk)

## Readings this Sunday

*Acts 2:14, 36-41* "What must we do...? You must repent." In other words you must be changed and transformed by the Holy Spirit so that you bear the likeness of Christ.

*Psalms: His goodness shall follow me always, to the end of my days.*

*1 Peter 2:20-25* We are to return good for any evil done to us.

*John 10:1-10* The whole mission of Jesus and now that of the Church is summed up in these words: "I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full."

## PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Mary Prior
Wednesday	10am	John and Ellen Howey
Thursday	10am	Canavan family
Friday	School Mass	
Saturday	10am	Gerry Keating
Sunday	9.15am	People of the Parish
	11am	Sick of the Parish

*Please note that Mass on Sunday is always for the people of the parish. Private intentions are remembered at weekday Masses.*

**CONFESSIONS** Saturday 10.30am

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Felix Kelly, who died on 15 April, aged 84 years and whose funeral will take place here on 15 May, 10am and for the soul of Peter Cabrelli, who died on 27 April aged 55 years.

**ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK:** Bobby Cole, Rose Ann McLaughlin, Gracie Old, Isabella Gray, James Devlin, Elizabeth Sweeney, Betty Green, Margaret Foss, Ellen Howey, James Docherty, Mary Russell

**SPECIAL COLLECTION** this Sunday for the Scottish seminary and students

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS** This Sunday is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please pray that more men and women answer God's call to the priesthood, permanent diaconate and the religious life. Keep in your prayers the seminarians from the Archdiocese – Peter Shankland and Paul Henderson (Beda College, Rome), Gerard Holden and Matthew McCafferty (Scots College, Rome) and Matthew Frankland (Royal Scots College, Salamanca). If you feel called to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, have a chat with Canon Paul or contact Archdiocesan vocations director Father Andrew Garden on 0131 663 4286 (vocations@staned.org.uk) or Sister Mirjam Hugens, director for Religious Vocations, on 0131 623 8902 religiousvocations@staned.org.uk or Rev Ronnie Macaulay for the permanent diaconate

**MARCH ACCOUNTS** Offertory income £4,787. Expenditure £1,900. No extraordinary expenditure.

**SCIAF WEE BOXES** totalled £410, which has been sent to SCIAF

**LADIES CLUB.** Wednesday 10th May, visit to Abercorn church, meet at 7.00 pm church car ground - car share as usual. It would be appreciated if car owners offer a lift to members who will require a lift. Tea, coffee will be at Abercorn

**SSVP FISH TEA.** Our Fish Tea event including entertainment by Linlithgow Folksters will be held on Thursday 1st June with doors opening at 6pm-6:30pm. To help with not over ordering food please contact a SSVP member to confirm attendance or send a text (07596 225937) or email (ssvplgow@gmail.com).

**STALL** has a selection of Confirmation Cards and First Communion Cards.

**WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES** - will only be available on 10th, 24th and 31st May, due to other commitments.

**CHURCH CLEANING** Mon. 1st May 10.30 am Mrs Robertson, Mrs Lonie, Mrs McElroy, Mrs Jones.

**PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE** O Loving God, your Son, Jesus Christ, came into the world to do your Will and leave us His Peace. Through the intercession and example of our Blessed Mother Mary, Queen of Peace, grant us the wisdom and humility to reflect that peace to the world. Inspire our thoughts, words, and deeds to bear witness to your presence in our hearts. May your Holy Spirit fill us with every grace and blessing so that we may pursue what leads to peace for all humanity. Amen

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## *Notices from the Archdiocese*

### **MARIAN HOLY HOURS IN MAY ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS**

Join us for Marian Holy Hours during the first four weeks of May at the Cathedral, beginning Wednesday 3 May from 7pm to 8pm, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, praying of the Rosary, a reflection and concluding with Benediction.

**PREPARE FOR PENTECOST** Join this six-week online talk series to prepare and learn more about two major feasts at the end of Eastertide: Pentecost and Holy Trinity Sunday. Led by Sister Anna Marie McGuan RSM and Fr Kevin Douglas, it will take a closer look at what we believe about the Holy Trinity based on the writings of St Thomas Aquinas. Begins on Tuesday 2 May at 7:30pm (1 hour). Register at [bit.ly/prepareforpentecost](https://bit.ly/prepareforpentecost)

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2023** There's still time to book your place on the Archdiocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes, which takes place from 7-14 July. Everyone is welcome, and those with disabilities/medical issues are especially invited - you will be cared for 24/7 by a dedicated team of doctors, nurses and support workers. Financial assistance may be available to support your pilgrimage. For full details visit [www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/](http://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/) or email [edinburghlourdes@gmail.com](mailto:edinburghlourdes@gmail.com)

**CELEBRATE MARRIAGE** On Wednesday 31 May at 7.15pm the Archbishop will celebrate a special Mass for Married and Engaged Couples at the Cathedral. All married and engaged couples are very welcome to come on the night and celebrate the gift of marriage. After the Mass there will be a reception in Coffee Saints to which everyone attending the Mass is invited. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, or know couples who are, do let us know so that we can send a personal invitation. Please submit names, address and number of years being celebrated to Fr Jeremy Milne, [vemarriage@staned.org.uk](mailto:vemarriage@staned.org.uk), 0131 334 1693.

**CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP** Identify your charisms (spiritual gifts) and discern God's call through the Called and Gifted Workshop. It is hosted by the Archdiocese in collaboration with the St Catherine of Siena Institute and takes place on Saturday 20 May from 9:00am to 3:30pm. Cost is £25 and includes materials, online access, and lunch. Details and registration at [bit.ly/calledgifted2023](https://bit.ly/calledgifted2023)

### **SONGS OF HEAVENLY VISIONS – THE MUSIC OF ST HILDEGARD OF BINGEN**

Rebecca Tavener introduces the life and music of St Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179) with concert performance by Scottish Early Music group Canty. Free admission (donations welcome). Thursday 4 May at 7pm at Sacred Heart Church, Lauriston, Edinburgh.

**CATHEDRAL CONCERT** Join the Schola Cantorum on Friday 19 May at 7:30pm for a concert of beautiful music in support of St Mary's Cathedral's musical life. Come along to hear some of the highlights of the choir's repertoire, plus Handel Coronation Anthems, African American spirituals, and more! Tickets from Eventbrite [bit.ly/scholaconcert](https://bit.ly/scholaconcert) or on the door, £10 (£8 concession).

**ST MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE 2023** St Margaret Pilgrimage returns to Dunfermline on Sunday 18 June. Mass is at 2:30pm in St Margaret's Memorial Church in East Port, with Archbishop Cushley as principal celebrant. Prior to that there is an ecumenical service at 12:30pm in Dunfermline Abbey, followed by prayers at the tomb of St Margaret. Join people from across the Archdiocese and beyond to give thanks to God for St Margaret's example of faith, charity and leadership.

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