

# St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

## 5th Sunday of Easter

7th May 2023 Year A Week 19

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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

# **Readings this Sunday**

Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7 The apostles appoint deacons to help with the distribution of food. One thing to notice here is that feeding the poor was an important part of the work of the early Church. Notice too how the deacons who were appointed did not confine themselves to giving out food but became preachers of the Gospel.

Psalm Response May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

1 Peter 2:4-9 All our prayer and work goes through Christ, our High Priest; and, united with him, we all have a share in his priesthood.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia.

John 14:1-12. Jesus is the only way to the Father.

### PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Mary Cole
Wednesday	10am	Clare Boyle
Thursday	10am	Special Intention
Friday	10am	Special Intention
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 and whose funeral will be here on 17 May at 10am

**ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK**: Mary Russell, Ellen Allison, Robert Hall, Patrick Dowds, Margaret Johnstone, Dorothy McEwan, Charlotte McCourt.

**WEBSITE** – Douglas Robertson is working on updating the website to make it easier to maintain. Most of the current content will still be there. If anyone has any comments on the changes or ideas on what else they would like to see on the website please email: dsrobertson@blueyonder.co.uk

MARCH ACCOUNTS Offertory income £4,787. Expenditure £1,900.

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

**SPECIAL COLLECTION LAST SUNDAY** for the Scottish seminary and students totalled £465.15, which has been sent to the Archdiocese

**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 6 pm-6:30 pm. To help with not over-ordering food please contact an 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** -Back on the 10th, 24th and 31st of May. All Welcome.

CHURCH CLEANING Tuesday 16 May at 9.30 am Mrs Ambrose, Mrs Workman, Mrs C. Wilson, Mrs Sinclair.

**ROSARY FOR LIFE at 5pm on Fridays.** The Alive Prolife group say the Rosary most Fridays in the church. We communicate using WhatsApp. Please email. eddielove15@gmail.com or Stephen.gal@hotmail.co.uk and ww will include you.

**PREGNANCY HELP**: Do you know anyone who may need help during pregnancy? SHE Pregnancy Care gives support and confidence to expectant mothers. Baby materials & equipment are available. Text / WhatsApp: 0752 648 0578 or email: office@stantonscotland.org.

**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

**NEWSLETTER** – any items for the next newsletter please email, before Thursday, dsrobertson@blueyonder.co.uk

## 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.

### **LAUDATO SI' WEEK 2023**

This takes place 21-28 May. To find out more visit https://laudatosiweek.org/

**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

**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 <a href="www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/">www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/</a> or email <a href="mailto:edinburghlourdes@gmail.com">edinburghlourdes@gmail.com</a>

**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, 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** 

**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 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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