

St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

Feast of The Body and Blood of Christ

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11th June 2023 Week 24

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

11:00 am Mass will be live streamed

Please follow the link on our Parish website: www.stmichaels-rc.org.uk

Readings this Sunday

Deuteronomy 7:6-11 The Lord loves his people and has shown that he provides for them.

Psalm Response O praise the Lord, Jerusalem

1 Corinthians Communion with Christ makes us into one body.

John 3: 6:51-58 Communion with Christ is a flesh and blood experience. As we eat his body under the form of bread, he becomes part of our flesh and blood and we become part of him.

This Sunday we welcome to the 11 am Mass the Provost and the Deacons' Court. Marches Day is on Tuesday

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sandra Dorrian, who died on 8 June aged 56 years and whose funeral will be here, on 21 June, her body being received into the church on 20 June at 5pm.

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Sarah and Joe Jones Monday 10am Wednesday Peter Cabrelli 10am Thursday 10am Felix Kelly **Special Intention** Friday 10am 80th Birthday Saturday 10am People of the Parish Sunday 9.15am

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

FRIDAY is The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

CONFESSIONS Saturday 10.30am

NEXT SUNDAY There will be a Special Collection for the Scottish Bishop's prolife initiatives

SUNDAY MASS TIME Last summer there was only one Mass on Sunday at 10am. This helped to bring the parish community closer together, and we looked at the possibility of making this a permanent arrangement. However, Covid was still around, and this could cause problems in a crowded church. So last September we reverted to two Masses, with the exception of July and August when we would have just the one Mass at 10am - it is noticeable that many people are away during those months. This notice was posted in the newsletters for last August: "While it is nice to have a full church on Sundays, Covid is still around and there is the prospect of flu and cold epidemics this winter. So, a crowded church implies a certain risk... So, for this reason we will revert to two Masses in September as to provide more space. When the summer months come again, we will have one Mass at 10am". For July and August only. Now that attendance has increased this year, we will revert two the 9.15 and 11am Masses in September 2023.

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK:

James C. McKenna, Edward Crawley, Betty Ward, Michael Grusciewiz, Henry McGaughan.

ST MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL Copies of a petition against its proposed closure can be signed in the porch.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES after Mass. All Welcome.

CHURCH CLEANING

Monday 12 June at 10.30am Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Lonie, Mrs McElroy, Mrs. Jones. **50/50 WINNERS** The winners of the June draw are: £150 Mary McCarthy,

£50 Gerry Murray, £50 Nuala Lonie, £20 Margaret Robertson, £20 Martha Swan and £10 Mary Ambrose. Congratulations. Thank you all for your continuing support.

THE DIVINE OFFICE contained in *The Roman Breviary* is the official prayer of the Church in union with Christ to the Father. It consists of the Psalms (Psalter), readings and prayers. All clergy and members of religious orders are committed to this prayer and the Church also encourages the laity to join as well – it is after all the Prayer of the whole Church. It can be celebrated liturgically, especially Morning Prayer (Matins) and Evening Prayer (Vespers). In this parish, we combine Morning Prayer with Mass on most Saturdays. We hope to widen its use in the parish.

STANTON HEALTHCARE PREGNANCY SUPPORT SERVICE

provides practical alternatives to abortion and is supported by the archdiocese. The office is at 21 Horne Street, Edinburgh EH3 9JR. (Telephone 07526480578) Further details on the notice board in the porch.

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.

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

Notices from the Archdiocese

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

A Corpus Christi procession will take place in Falkirk town centre at 2:30pm on Sunday 11 June. The procession will head to St Francis Xavier's Church for Benediction followed by refreshments in the church hall. Altar Servers can wear their altar robes and those who have recently had their First Holy Communion can wear their dresses/suits.

FRATELLI TUTTI EVENT

Explore the key messages of Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter *Fratelli Tutti* and how it can inform your life, at an event at Sacred Heart Parish, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh EH3 9DJ on Wednesday 7 June from 7-9pm

TARIRA CONCERT

A choir from the Faroe Islands, will give a free concert at 7:00pm on Saturday 10 June at Sacred Heart Church, Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ. The programme includes music by Gibbons, Pärt, Byrd, Victoria and Lauridsen, together with Faroese composers. All welcome.

ST MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE 2023

St Margaret Pilgrimage returns to Dunfermline on Sunday 18 June. Mass is at 2:30 pm in St Margaret's Memorial Church in East Port, with Archbishop Cushley as principal celebrant. Prior to that, there is an ecumenical service at 12:30 pm 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.

COMPASSION TO HOPE

An event to celebrate the lives of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers in Scotland, with 'music, poetry, silence and celebration'. This event takes place on Tuesday 20 June at 4:30pm in the hall of Sacred Heart Church, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ.

VOCATIONS MASS

The next Mass to pray for Vocations to the priesthood and religious life is at 7pm on Friday 23 June at St Margaret's, Hope View, Loch Road, South Queensferry, EH30 9LS.

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY, EDINBURGH FORMER PUPILS REUNION:

If you or your friends would like a reunion with other FP's then please send your name and the years when you started and left Holy Cross Academy to Michael Balfour at mjbgen19@gmail.com or telephone 07484 620 635 by the 30 June. We aim to reply by 31 July 2023.

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