



# St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

16th Sunday of the Year

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## Public Mass on Sunday is at 10:00 am

**SUNDAY SUMMER MASS TIME** This Sunday, and for all the Sundays in July and August, we will have only one Sunday Mass, which will be at 10am. We will revert to two Masses, 9.15 and 11am in September.

**LIVESTREAM: 10 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

*Wisdom 12:13, 16-19* As God is patient with us. We must be patient with others.

*Psalms Response* O Lord, you are good and forgiving.

*Romans 8:26-27* When we cannot find the words for prayer, the Spirit of God is our feelings and that prayer comes from God and goes to God.

*Matthew 13:24-43* It is a fact that good and evil flourish in the same soil. But evil has already been overcome in Christ, who will sort out the wheat from the darnel at the end of time.

## PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Desmond Lynch
Wednesday	10am	Margaret Mullen
Thursday	10am	James McGinley
Friday	10am	Charles Sim
Saturday	10am	Special Intention
Sunday	10am	People of the Parish

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

<b>CONFESSIONS</b> Saturday 10.30am
<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b> Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July after Mass. Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Lonie, Mrs. McElroy Mrs. Jones.
<b>ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK:</b> John Dunleavie, Will Smith, James O'Connor, Cathy Lavin, Mary Lawler Reynolds, Elizabeth McCormick, Margaret Reville.
<b>WEDNESDAY TEA/COFFEE</b> after Mass also available Hamper Raffle Tickets. Raffle tickets will be available for the next two Sundays. <b>STALL</b> has a selection of cards for all occasions also a variety of religious items given to us. Please pay by donation.
All Covid restrictions having now been removed, the Chalice may once again be administered to the faithful, though you are not obliged to receive from the Chalice if you do not wish to. We will try at first administering the Chalice at weekday Mass before re-introducing it again on Sundays.
<b>SUNDAY MASS</b> The high point of the week is the celebration of the Lord's resurrection every Sunday. On the day the whole Christian community gathers together to give thanks with Christ at our head. From the very beginning of its celebration – a week day Mass cannot be a substitute. Where, for one reason or another, people cannot attend Mass on a Sunday, they are encouraged to make that day holy in the best way they can.
<b>Grandparents &amp; the Elderly</b> This Sunday is World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. "We thank grandparents and the elderly who have encouraged us in the Christian faith, offered prayers for our wellbeing and have been a source of wisdom and support." – Archbishop Leo Cushley.
<b>THE DIVINE OFFICE</b> contained in <i>The Roman Breviary</i> 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 in 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.
<b>STANTON HEALTHCARE PREGNANCY SUPPORT SERVICE</b> 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.
<b>PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE</b> 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.
<b>NEWSLETTER</b> – any items for the next newsletter please email, before Thursday, dsrobertson@blueyonder.co.uk

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## *Notices from the Archdiocese*

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### **African & Caribbean Mass**

The next Mass takes place at St Cuthbert’s, 104 Slateford Road, Edinburgh at 2pm on Sunday 6 August.

### **Festival Mass**

The new Apostolic Nuncio, HE Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía, will be the main celebrant at the annual Festival Mass at midday on Sunday 13 August 2023 at St Mary’s Cathedral in Edinburgh. Archbishop Cushley will concelebrate and preach the homily.

### **Festival Music Event**

Join the Schola Cantorum of St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh on Monday 14 August at 7:30pm for a unique performance of Paul Mealor’s sacred choral music along with an interview with the man himself. It's a unique opportunity to hear from one of the world's most performed living composers. Tickets £16 (under 16s £5) available from the Fringe Box Office, Eventbrite, or on the door.

### **Carfin Pilgrimage**

The Annual National Pilgrimage to Carfin takes place on Sunday 3 September. Join Archbishop Cushley and Bishops from across Scotland to pray for peace, particularly in the Ukraine.

### **Talk Series at the Cathedral**

St Mary’s Cathedral in Edinburgh is hosting a series of special talks in October with US theologian Professor James Edwards. Tickets and details at [bit.ly/Jesus-in-GospelofMark](https://bit.ly/Jesus-in-GospelofMark).

### **Study Theology in Edinburgh**

The MA in Applied Catholic Theology is offered by St Mary’s University in Scotland and begins in September 2023. The course provides a thorough grounding in key aspects of Catholic theology and develops the skills to apply that theology to the challenges and opportunities of the contemporary world.

Visit <https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/applied-catholic-theology>

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