

St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

17th Sunday of the Year

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Public Mass on Sunday is at 10:00 am

SUNDAY SUMMER MASS TIME

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

Readings this Sunday

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 In order to rule well Solomon needs the help of God; so he asks for wisdom

Psalm Response Lord how I love your law

Romans 8:28-30 In all that happens to us, God turns everything to our good

Matthew 13:22-52. The kingdom is something of huge value hidden in our experience. We have to look for it – it may not be obvious.

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Monica Watt
Wednesday	10am	50 th Wedding anniversary
Thursday	10am	Jean Neilson
Friday	10am	William Byrne
Saturday	10am	Sandra Dorrian
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.

CONFESSIONS Saturday 10.30 am

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK: John Dunleavie, Will Smith, James O'Connor, Cathy Lavin, Mary Lawler Reynolds, Elizabeth McCormick, Margaret Revolle

SUNDAY MASS 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 life, the Church has always insisted upon the importance of the Sunday 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.

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.

Douglas Robertson will be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate by Archbishop Leo Cushley here at St Michael's at 10.00 am Mass on Saturday16th September. Douglas would like everyone to share this special occasion, the support of this parish has been so important in this journey of study and formation.

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 is 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.

CHURCH CLEANING Tuesday 8th August 9.30am Mrs. Ambrose, Mrs. Workman, Mrs. C. Wilson, Mrs. Sinclair.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES after Mass also available Hamper Raffle Tickets. Raffle tickets will be on sale this Sunday.

STALL has a selection of cards for all occasions also a variety of religious items given to us. Please pay by donation

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.

INTERCHURCH BARBEQUE will be held on Sunday, 20th August between 12 and 3pm in the field next to St Ninian's Church. Please book your free tickets using

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/666806294577?aff=oddtdtcreator. All ages welcome. For further information please contact Ann Chirnside, 07446294432.

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

Notices from the Archdiocese

For Archdiocese events see the "News and Events" page on the website or use this QR code:



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.

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.

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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