



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

21st Sunday of the Year

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Public Mass this Sunday is at 10:00 am

SUNDAY SUMMER MASS TIME

From next Sunday we will revert to two Masses, 9.15 and 11 am

LIVESTREAM: 11:15 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

Isaiah 22:19-23 The dismissal and appointment of a royal official has been seen as an anticipation of St Peter being given the keys of the kingdom

Psalms Response Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands

Romans 11:33-36 This is a hymn to the wisdom of God.

Matthew 16: 13-20 The Church is built on the rock of Peter's faith

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Tom Farmer, RIP
Wednesday	10am	Mary McAvoy
Thursday	10am	Special Intention
Friday	9.30am	St Joseph's School Mass
Saturday	10am	Scott Melville
Sunday	9.15am	People of the Parish
Sunday	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.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tom Farmer, who died on 4 August aged 78 and whose funeral will be here at 10 am on Monday 28 August.

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK: Joseph McCleave, Jack Healy, Raymond Kennedy, John Kerr, David McCormick, Nancie McDermott

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 Saturday 16th 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.

CHURCH CLEANING Monday 4th Sept. after Mass. Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Lonie, Mrs. McElroy, Mrs. Jones.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES are back on Wednesday after Mass. All Welcome.

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

50/50 CLUB. The September draw will take place on 3rd September in the hall after 9.15am Mass.

LADIES CLUB. We are planning an outing to the LAMP production of The Addams Family in Linlithgow Academy on 11th October. Tickets go on sale soon, so to get decent seats together we need to book soon. Please let Ann know if you wish to go (07446294432, annscotland@aol.com) by 10 September. Cost will be around £13.

EDINBURGH KILT WALK 17th September: SSVP Scotland are supporting this fundraiser event where distances of 5, 15 or 21 miles can be undertaken. For more information or to take part full details of the event are available at www.kiltwalk.co.uk

MARY'S MEALS- Mairi Hughes is running her first marathon at Loch Ness on 1st October to raise money for our sponsored kitchen. You can sponsor her at <https://www.gofundme.com/ca9399-marathon-for-marys-meals> or by adding your name to the sheets at the back of the church.

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 – items for newsletter email, before Thursday, dsrobertson@blueyonder.co.uk

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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.

SEASON OF CREATION

Friday 1 September is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. It launches the Season of Creation which concludes on 4 Oct. This year's theme is Let Justice and Peace flow. The Holy Father's message for the day can be read at www.seasonofcreation.org

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.

CARITAS, JUSTICE & PEACE MASS

The annual Caritas, Justice and Peace Mass takes place at St Columba's Church, Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh, at 6:30pm on Monday 4 September. This year's preacher is Fr Ian Stevenson, Principal RC Chaplain (Army) & Deputy Assistant Chaplain General who will speak on the theme: 'Peace in a Military Context'. After Mass there will be a hot food buffet. Please register at bit.ly/caritasmass2023 so organisers can estimate numbers for catering.

MARGARET SINCLAIR PILGRIMAGE

The 2023 National Pilgrimage to pray for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair is on Sunday 17 September at St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1NA. 12:30-1.50pm Refreshments and sale of candles & goods; 2:00pm Holy Hour with Rosary, Confession, Silence, Hymns & Benediction; 3:00pm Reflection & Novena Prayers; 3:30pm break for refreshments and sale of candles & holy items; 4:30pm Holy Mass.

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