

St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

22nd Sunday of the Year

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Week 36

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Public Mass this Sunday is at 9.15 and 11:00 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

Jeremiah 20:7-9 The prophet has discovered that the Word of God has kindled an unquenchable fire within him.

Psalm Response For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

Romans 12:1-2 We are to model ourselves on Christ and the values of his kingdom not on the world around us.

Matthew 16: 13-20 Peter has to learn that he has to follow Christ, get behind and follow him, not get in front to lead and control and therefore be an obstacle.

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Rita Campbell
Wednesday	10am	Scott Melville
Thursday	10am	Mary Keane
Friday	10am	Tom Farmer
Saturday	10am	Arthur Quinn
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.

FRIDAY is the Feast of The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK: Austin Sowerby, Deborah Ann McMeechan, Hugh Pow, Winifred Reape, Mary Borst, Nora Harvie, James Greenan, Arthur Quinn.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you are thinking about becoming a Catholic, or wish to know more about the faith, then contact Canon Paul as soon as possible.

ALL COVID RESTRICTIONS having now been removed, the Chalice may once again be offered to the faithful

KYRIE ELEISON

This Greek invocation, meaning Lord have mercy, will be familiar to many of us as it occurs in the penitential rite at the beginning of Mass. In the early centuries of the Church, the language of liturgy was Greek and then it was translated into Syriac, Latin, Slavonic and Coptic. However, the *Kyrie* is not a remnant of the ancient Greek liturgy but was actually inserted into the Latin and Syriac liturgies after they were established maybe because the words expressed the basic prayer of the earliest Christians and represent the cry of the poor.

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.

CHURCH CLEANING

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

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES - 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 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.

LADIES CLUB SESSION 2023/2024

The new session starts Wednesday 13th September, opening with mass at 7.00 p.m. and then to the hall for entertainment "Who do you think she is". Bring along 2 photos, one a current photo of yourself, and one of a sibling, parent, or other family member. Tea and coffee and a free raffle

EDINBURGH KILTWALK 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

Notices from the Archdiocese

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



SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation has begun and concludes on 4 October. This year's theme is *Let Justice and Peace flow*. Find out more news and event details 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 6:30 pm 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.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT

On the Feast of Mother Teresa learn how Pregnancy Support is provided in our Archdiocese and how you can help. This webinar takes place this Tuesday (5 September) at 7:45pm on Zoom. Register at bit.ly/lifesupport0923

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.

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.

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