



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

4th Sunday of Lent

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Public Mass this Sunday is at 9.15 and 11:00 am

11:00 am Mass will be live-streamed this Sunday

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

Readings this Sunday

Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 The re-building of the Temple is a sign of the restoration of the people after the Exile.

Psalms Response O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!

Ephesians 2:4-10 We are saved by God's love for us.

Acclamation Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God.

John 3: 14-21 The lifting up of Christ on the cross is the sign of God's triumph over sin and death/ It is the sign of love that cannot be extinguished.

PUBLIC MASSES AND SERVICES IN THE COMING WEEK

Wednesday	10am	Ann Cole
Exposition	6-7pm (also opportunity for Confession)	
Thursday	10am	Special Intention
Friday	10am	Special Intention
Saturday	9.30am	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	10am	Isabelle Watson
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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY there is a special collection for Papal & Episcopal Charities (including SCIAF) at all Masses. "The money you donate is used to support much needed projects for people in need across the world and we pray for all those involved in the charitable works of the Church. Thank you for your generosity in almsgiving during Lent." – Archbishop Leo Cushley.

CANDLE/FIRE SAFETY Please note that children should not light votive lights; nor should they stand too close to those lights. They should always be supervised by an adult in those areas.

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK: Peter Lamont, Irene Scott, Patrick Conway, Robert McWade, Robert McNulty, Mary Kidd.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Wednesday, 6-7pm.
Confession is also available at this time.

AIDS TO PRAYER See the website of the Ignatian Spirituality Centre in Glasgow at <https://www.iscglasgow.co.uk/>, which also includes the text of Through Lent with Pope Francis.

Mass on Saturday is usually combined with Morning Prayer from the Roman Breviary.

PARISH EXPENDITURE At a recent Archdiocese Trustees meeting it was decided that, in all future project applications over £9,000, parishes will be asked to fund-raise around 15% of the total cost of the application rather than rely entirely on parish cash resources. As can be appreciated, the wish behind the decision is in part to stimulate interest and commitment at parish level in a new project. This fund-raising request will affect parish project applications from now on.

50/50 WINNERS FOR MARCH are: Anne Matonti - £175, Sarah Ryan - £50, Morag McMeechan - £50, Aidan Finnegan - £25 and Theresa Edgar - £15.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES FOR 2024/25 are ready for collection in the porch. Please let Ann Chirnside know if there are changes in your circumstances, eg change of address, no longer a tax payer. If anyone else who is a UK taxpayer would like to donate through Gift Aid please see Ann. We can claim 25p from HMRC for every £1 gifted.

CHURCH CLEANING Monday 18th March after Mass. Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Lonie, Mrs. McElroy, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Matonti.

STALL Has a selection of Easter Cards.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES This will be the last until after Easter. All Welcome.

ST PATRICK'S FAMILY PARTY NIGHT in aid of St Vincent de Paul, Friday 15th March 7pm-10pm in the hall. All welcome for a bit of craic and live music, audience participation encouraged! BYOB, also light refreshments available to purchase. Adults £10, children free, includes welcome drink on arrival. For tickets contact Catherine Finnegan on 07708929026 or catmaguire@hotmail.com. Tickets will also be on sale in the hall after both masses on Sunday 3rd March.

BIG LENT WALK FOR CAFOD. The pupils of our Catholic Secondary, Sinclair Academy are walking the equivalent of the distance from here to MALAWI during Lent. Please consider making a donation at <https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/sinclair-academy-big-lent-walk>.

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE AND GAZA 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. Amen

NEWSLETTER – items for newsletter email, before Thursday, DeaconDouglas.Robertson@staned.org.uk

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Parish website www.stmichaels-rc.org.uk Archdiocese website www.archdioceses-edinburgh.com

Notices from the Archdiocese

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



VACANCY

The Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh is seeking to appoint a Chief Operating Officer. Job description and application details are in the news-events section at archedinburgh.org. Closing date for applications is Friday 22 March 2024

LENT VIDEO REFLECTIONS

Join Canon Hugh White each week in Lent as he reflects on the ‘Challenge of the Gospel’, in weekly videos posted each Monday morning on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel: bit.ly/ArchYouTube

PRO-LIFE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Monday in Lent, praying for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. This Monday (26 February), includes a reflection from Sister Roseann Reddy, Sister of the Gospel of Life. Register at <https://bit.ly/lentstations>

PATHWAYS OF HOPE

A forum on Catholic Social Teaching and Poverty titled ‘Pathways of Hope’ takes place on Saturday 16 March 10:30am-3:00pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Register at bit.ly/pathwaysofhopeevent

CALLED TO BE SAINTS - YOUTH DAY

A day of inspiration, friendship and prayer for S1-S4 pupils that asks the question 'what does it to be a saint in the modern world?' Run by Fr Robert Taylor and Fr Martin Eckersley, it features talks from guests including Judith Ralston, BBC Scotland weather presenter. It takes place on Saturday 23 March, midday to 4:00pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Register your child for this FREE event at bit.ly/calledtobesaints

HOLY WEEK WEBINAR

Join Monsignor Patrick Burke, from St Mary’s Cathedral, to meditate on the Passion of Christ as written in the Gospel of St John. This Zoom event takes place at 6:00pm on Palm Sunday (24 March) on Zoom. The event is a good way to start Holy Week in a spirit of reflection and to discover insights into Christ’s Passion. Register at bit.ly/passionevent2024

THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE.

Weekend for those suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood at St Mary’s Kinnoull, Perth, 5-7 April. For details contact Louise (07926571004 or louise398@gmail.com).

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2024

The Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 5-12 July 2024. To find out more visit <https://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24>

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