



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

5th Sunday of Lent

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

Readings this Sunday

Jeremiah 31:31-34 The new covenant between God and his people will be written on their hearts
– it will be a covenant of love.

Psalms Response A pure heart create for me, O God.

Hebrews 5:7-9 The Lord experienced anguish in the face of death and encountered that
communication barrier between human beings and God.

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

John 12:20-33 The death of the Son of God will yield a rich harvest.

PUBLIC MASSES AND SERVICES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10.00 am	Joyce Meenan
Tuesday	9.30 am	St. Joseph's School Feast Day Mass
Wednesday	10.00 am	Special Intention
Exposition	6-7 pm	(also opportunity for Confession)
Thursday	10.00 am	Special Intention
Friday	NO MASS	
Saturday	9.30 am	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	10.00 am	Special Intention
Sunday	9.15 am	People of the Parish
Sunday	11.00 am	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.

TUESDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH As well as being the patron of the school, he was the patron of this parish until the present church was built in the 1890s.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR SCIAF last Sunday amounted to £669.15p

<p>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.</p>
<p>ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK: Katharine Caulfield, Mary Watson, Joyce Meenan, May Doyle, Philip Levy, Mary McAulay, Michael Tierney, Dorothy Mackintosh, Robert Kennedy.</p>
<p>EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Wednesday, 6-7pm. Confession is also available at this time.</p>
<p>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.</p>
<p>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. This fund-raising request will affect parish project applications from now on. No distinction is made between essential maintenance and projects.</p>
<p>LADIES CLUB Wednesday 20th March at 7.30pm St. Margaret's Hall topic Women's Aid. The speaker Cath. McGhee from WLC– Tea/Coffee and a free raffle. New members are welcome.</p>
<p>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.</p>
<p>CHURCH CLEANING Monday 18th March after Mass. Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Lonie, Mrs, McElroy, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Matonti.</p>
<p>STALL Has a selection of Easter Cards.</p>
<p>ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC RETREAT FOR MEN at Nunraw Abbey Friday September 27th – Sunday 29th September £150 inclusive of both nights and meals. £15 deposit. Contact Stevie Gallacher on Stephen.gal@hotmail.co.uk</p>
<p>EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE tickets available at both Masses £1 per strip.</p>
<p>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)</p>
<p>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</p>
<p>NEWSLETTER items for newsletter email before Thursday to DeaconDouglas.Robertson@staned.org.uk</p>

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Parish website www.stmichaels-rc.org.uk Archdiocese website www.archdioces-esdinburgh.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

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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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