



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

7th Sunday of Easter

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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**

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Readings this Sunday

Acts of the Apostles 1. 15-17, 20-26 Matthias, a disciple of Jesus from the beginning, is chosen to replace Judas.

Response The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

1 John 4:11-16 God is not seen by human beings. He lives in us and we in him – we encounter God in one another – as long as we believe in his Son and follow the way of love.

John 17:11-19 This text has been described as the Eucharistic Prayer of Jesus. what he wants for us and he wants us to be one as he and the Father are one

PUBLIC MASSES AND SERVICES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Basil Mallon
Wednesday	10am	Andrew Monaghan
Thursday	10am	Special Intention
Friday	10am	Martin Chambers
Saturday	10am	John Cumming
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. Mass on the first Friday of the month is in the school during term time.

THIS SUNDAY IS WORLD COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY when there will be a special collection to support the Scottish Catholic Media Office. Please see the pastoral letter from Bishop Joseph Toal (Motherwell Diocese) who is the President of the National Communications Commission of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland which is available at the back of the church and on the website.

NEXT SUNDAY IS PENTECOST SUNDAY which brings to an end the Easter season. at the end of Mass the Easter dismissal with the double alleluia is sung.

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK Dorothy McEwan, Charlotte McCourt, Patrick Boyle, Teroy Reilly, Margaret Hanlon, Barclay Tierney, Pat Lavin, Charlie Porter.

CHURCH CLEANING Tuesday 21st May 9.30 am Mrs. Ambrose, Mrs Workman, Mrs., C. Wilson, Mrs. Sinclair, Mrs. Gormley.

STALL (cash only) First Communion and Confirmation Cards and Gifts available.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES. will reopen on 22nd May after Mass. All Welcome

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.

FIRE SAFETY IN A CHURCH SETTING Training sessions available in the hall on 5 June (2.30 to 4.30pm) and 12 June (6.30 to 8.30pm) All those who have responsibilities in the parish should attend one of these sessions.

ASSISTED SUICIDE Copies of a pastoral letter from the Scottish Bishops are available in the porch.

EMERALD HILL Parishioners have supported the orphanage and school for the deaf at Emerald Hill, Harare, Zimbabwe, for eleven years. Contact Nuala Lonie nclonie@gmail.com for details on how to contribute. Further details are on the website.

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC RETREAT FOR MEN at Nunraw Abbey Friday, September 27th - Sunday 29th. £150 inclusive of both nights and meals. £15 deposit. Contact Stevie Gallacher at Stephen.gal@hotmail.co.uk

ROSARY FOR LIFE at 5pm on Fridays. The Alive Prolife group say the Rosary most Fridays in the church. We use WhatsApp. Please email eddielove15@gmail.com or Stephen.gal@hotmail.co.uk and we will include you.

MUSICAL EVENING in Church Hall on Friday 24th May. 7 to 9.30pm. A charity event with Elaine and Izzy for OPAL (Older People Active Lives). Please come along and join in if possible to support this worthwhile cause.

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,

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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:



TREASURING THE GIFT – SACRED SCRIPTURE REFLECTION DAY

The translation of the Bible that we hear at Mass is changing this Advent. The Archdiocese has organised a day of prayer, study and discussion to learn more about this and to reflect on the gift of the word of God for the Church. Treasuring the Gift takes place on Saturday 8 June 10:00am-3:00pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Register at bit.ly/treasuringthegift

ST MARGARET’S PILGRIMAGE

Gather in faith and thanksgiving to celebrate Scotland's patron saint in Dunfermline on Sunday 23 June 2024. The procession to St Margaret’s Church takes place from the Glen Gates in Bridge Street to the Church at 2:00pm, followed by Mass at 3:00pm. Ecumenical Prayers at the tomb of St Margaret at Dunfermline Abbey is at 12:30pm. All welcome. No registration required.

ASSISTED PILGRIMS FOR LOURDES

Do you know someone who is ill or infirm and would enjoy the opportunity to experience a life-changing trip to Lourdes? The Archdiocese is seeking Assisted Pilgrims to join them on the pilgrimage in July. They will receive 24hr support from the brilliant doctors, nurses and volunteers in the Medical/Helper Team and stay in specially equipped accommodation. It will be an unforgettable week with a full spiritual and social programme. Please contact Bernadette on 0131 441 1939 or visit www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24

DOWN’S SYNDROME

The different time limit for babies with disabilities promotes inequality and sends a message that disabled people are less worthy of life and protection. Fifty MPs are supporting an amendment to the Criminal Justice Bill to bring the abortion time limit for babies with Down’s Syndrome in line with the time limit for babies without disabilities. Please ask your MP to support this amendment and stop abortion up to birth for babies with Down’s syndrome. Visit <https://dontscreenusout.org/timeforchange>

FUNDING TO STUDY THEOLOGY

SAAS funding is available for all Scottish students taking the MA in Applied Catholic Theology course 2024/25. The course is offered by St Mary’s University in partnership with the Archdiocese at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh. To register/enquire visit <https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/applied-catholic-theology>. A webinar takes place on Wednesday 29 May (6-7pm) for prospective students. Register now at <https://bit.ly/theologywebinar>

MASS FOR MARRIED & ENGAGED COUPLES

The annual Mass for Married and Engaged Couples is on Wednesday 29 May at 7.15pm in St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. Come and celebrate the gift of marriage, renew your commitment and receive God's blessing upon your love.

SAVE THE DATE

An Archdiocesan Lourdes Day takes place at Carfin Grotto on Sunday 18 August. The day will include Holy Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley. Details to follow soon.

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