

# St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

# TRINITY SUNDAY

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

LIVESTREAM: 11.00a Mass on the second Sunday of each month.
Please follow the link on our Parish website: www.stmichaels-rc.org.uk

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# **Readings this Sunday**

Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40 At first Israel distinguished its God from among many. Gradually this God was seen as the one and only God in continuous dialogue with the people of God.

**Psalm Response** Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

Romans 8: 14-17 The Holy Spirit is the "spirit of sons", which establishes our relationship with God and with one another.

Matthew 28:16-20 The disciples are commissioned to baptise all peoples in the name of the Trinity – that is to plunge them into the life and love of God.

## PUBLIC MASSES AND SERVICES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10 am	Coyle and Canavan Families.
Wednesday	10 am	John Cumming
Thursday	10 am	Special Intention
Friday	10 am	Special Intention
Saturday	10 am	Ramage Family
Sunday	9.15 am	People of the Parish
Sunday	11 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.

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK** Arthur McConaghie, Peter Battison, George Edge, Isabella McElroy, Helen Sheratt, Helen McMaster, Thomas Reynolds, May Sharkey.

**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.

**CHURCH CLEANING** Wednesday 5 June after Mass. Mrs. Keenan, Mrs. Antony, Mrs. Hogg, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. O'Dwyer.

**STALL** You can now pay by Card or Cash. A variety of Confirmation Cards and Gifts available. **FIRE SAFETY IN A CHURCH SETTING** Training sessions are 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.

**April Accounts** Offertory income was £6,063. Expenses were £12.454, which includes £3,820 for joinery and renovation work in the house and church roof repairs of £1,272.

**ST. MICHAELS LADIES CLUB SUMMER OUTING** Wednesday 29 May, Canal Boat trip and High Tea (B.Y.O.B.) For those booked, please meet at the Canal Basin at 12.45pm. The boat leaves the basin at 1:00pm. This is the last meeting of the club for the year. Thank you to all who supported the club during the year. Have a good Summer break and see you all in the Autumn.

THE JUNE DRAW FOR 50/50 CLUB will be done on 2 June after 9.15 Mass in the hall.

**CORPUS CHRISTI 2 JUNE** St. Patrick's Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1TQ on Sunday 2 June, beginning with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley at 11.00am, followed by a procession. All are welcome to this special event. First Holy Communicants are encouraged to wear their First Holy Communion outfits. St Patrick's hosts a 40 hours' Devotion ahead of the event.

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

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

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES not available on Wednesday.

**SSVP:** thank you for your donations of £144 last week.

THE DIVINE OFFICE contained in The Roman Breviary is the official prayer of the Church in union with Christ to the Father. It consists of the psalms(Psalter), readings and prayers. All clergy and members of religious orders are committed to this prayer and the Church also encourages the laity to join as well – it is after all the Prayer of the whole Church. It can be celebrated liturgically, especially Morning Prayer (Matins) and Evening Prayer (Vespers). In this parish, we combine Morning Prayer with Mass on most Saturdays.

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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# Notices from the Archdiocese

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



#### PRAY FOR LIFE NOVENA

Bishop John Keenan (Paisley Diocese) invites you to join the Novena For Life from Thursday 23 May to the Feast of the Visitation, to pray for the protection of human life. Sign up to the Novena at prayforlife.ie The Feast of the Visitation is a celebration of joy in new life and we pray for a return to a society that values and protects all human life from the moment of conception to its natural end. The Novena will lead up to the annual Day for Life on Sunday 16 June 2024 of the Bishops Conferences of England and Wales, Ireland and Scotland.

#### WEBINAR: STUDY THEOLOGY IN EDINBURGH

A webinar takes place on Wednesday 29 May (6-7pm) for anyone who wants to discover more about the MA in Applied Catholic Theology course 2024/25. The course is hosted by St Mary's University Twickenham at their Scottish Campus at The Gillis Centre, Edinburgh. Register at https://bit.ly/theologywebinar

## 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

#### 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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