



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

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Week 40

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

LIVESTREAM: 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

Apocalypse 12:7-12 St Michael defeats the powers of evil.

Psalm In the presence of the angels I will bless you, O Lord.

John 1:47-51 Earth and heaven are now open to one another with angels ascending and descending.

PUBLIC SERVICES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Sharkey family
Wednesday	10am	Liturgy of the Word
Saturday	10am	Special Intention
Sunday	9.15am	People of the Parish
	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.

ST MICHAEL'S FEAST DAY.

This year our patronal feast falls on this Sunday. St Michael shares the feast with the other two archangels, Gabriel and Raphael. Normally, when a saint's day falls on a Sunday it is cancelled for that year in favour of the usual Sunday celebration. This is because Sunday is the feast of the Resurrection of the Lord and there no greater feast day than that. However, where the feast is classed as a Solemnity it may be celebrated on a Sunday. The Feast of the St Michael is a Solemnity within the parish; so we can celebrate it this year.

HYMN TO ST. MICHAEL

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| 1. Life and strength of all thy servants,
Brightness of the Father's light,
Men with angels, earth with Heaven,
In thy praise their songs unite. | In the might of God he tramples
On the dragon's head abhorred. |
| 2. Thousand, thousand warrior princes,
In thy angel-army stand;
Flames the victor cross before them,
Grasped in Michael's dauntless hand. | 4. Lord of Angels, Christ we pray thee
Bid them aid us in our strife,
Chase afar the hosts of evil
Till we reach the land of life. |
| 3. Hurling back from Heav'n the rebels
With the lifting of his sword | 5. God the Father, God immortal,
God the Son, for us who died,
God the comforter, the Spirit,
Evermore be glorified |

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK Eric Levy, Julia Jean Leggett.
Annie Rodgers, Arthur Devlin, Edward McKenna, Jack Green

CHURCH HALL

There are many requests from various bodies to hire our hall. No doubt the ample parking space is an added attraction. In order that the parish gets a look-in, Wednesdays are reserved for parish use and outside bodies and individuals cannot be accommodated on that day.

PARKING is getting to be a problem for those going to Mass on Mondays and Fridays. However, since Mass over by 10.30, and most of the cars – many of whom have no right to be here - will be there beyond that, feel free to double park if you are going to Mass.

FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST COMMUNION

Parents of children in this parish expecting to make their first Confession in 2025 and First Communion in 2026 should contact the Parish priest as soon as possible.

AUGUST ACCOUNTS

Offertory income £4,397. Gift Aid tax reclaim £9,513. Expenditure £2,589.

SSVP COLLECTION Thank you for your donations of £147 last week.

CHURCH CLEANING Wednesday 9th October after Mass. Mrs. Keenan, Mrs. Antony, Mrs. Hogg, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. O'Dwyer.

STALL We are still taking names during October they have to be in by beginning of November. **The Catholic Herald Magazine** is starting in October price £4.50p **Christmas Cards, Advent Calendars, Calendars, Diaries available.**

LADIES CLUB meeting on Wednesday 2nd Oct at 7.30 pm in Queen Margaret's Hall. The guest speaker is Dr Linden Becket on The Catholic imagination of George McKay Brown. All welcome, tea, coffee and a free raffle.

MARY'S MEALS---SPECIAL---A new initiative has been launched. Please take one of the special envelopes from Church porch and donate ANY foreign or out of date currency--- coins or notes. The Left Over Currency initiative supply the postage and envelopes and also add a generous 5% charitable donation to all currency collected. Return sealed envelopes to Cath McAulay, Angela Hughes or Ita Watts by end of September please.

PARISH MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING, in the church hall on Saturday 5th October, 10:00-12:00. Home baking very much needed (please mark anything that contains nuts) and can be handed into the hall from 9:00 on Saturday. Donations for Raffle & Tombola also gratefully received (box at back of the church).

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

St. Michael's is a parish of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. Andrew & Edinburgh

A Charity registered in Scotland Number SCO08540

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:



BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Weekend for those suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood, 4-6 October, Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. For more details contact Louisa on 07926 571004 or email louisep@gmail.com

ASSISTED SUICIDE

Assisted Suicide threatens the most vulnerable members of society. Learn about the potential dangers of the proposed bill to introduce it in Scotland and how to inform others about it. This event features former politician Dennis Canavan and Dr Richard Lenton, Consultant in Geriatric Medicine. It takes place at 7:00pm on Wednesday, 2 October at Our Lady & St Ninian's, 52 Quakerfield, Bannockburn, FK7 8HZ. Register at <https://bit.ly/assistedsuicidescot>

EUTHANASIA: A WARNING FROM CANADA

Learn how Assisted Suicide has failed in Canada, and what you can do to stop it in Scotland with Alex Schadenberg, a Canadian Catholic and a world expert on the dangers of euthanasia. This event takes place at 7:30pm on Thursday 3 October at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Register: bit.ly/warningfromcanada

NEW SUNDAY MISSAL

Starting on Sunday 1 December, an updated Lectionary will be used in all parishes. This means the readings at Mass will employ a slightly different translation of the Sacred Scriptures (the ESV-CE). The new Sunday Missal is available from various sites, including www.rpbooks.co.uk, www.ctsbooks.org and <https://www.hachette.co.uk/>

ROMERO LECTURE 2024

Celebrating the witness and legacy of St Oscar Romero, martyred in 1980 in El Salvador, Bishop Kenneth Nowakowski of the Ukrainian Catholic community in the UK will deliver this year's lecture on 'Romero and Ukraine: Resilience in the Face of Injustice'. Friday 18 October at 7pm at Sacred Heart Church, Lauriston Street, Edinburgh. All welcome. In partnership with SCIAF, Justice and Peace Scotland, Pax Christi, and the Romero Trust.

YOUTH DAY – WONDER WOMAN ST MARGARET!

The Archdiocese is hosting a youth day for p4-p7 children at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on Saturday 16 November to coincide with the Feast of St Margaret. Includes games, talks and activities, concluding with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Leo. Register at <https://bit.ly/youthdaymargaret>

CEILIDH BALL

The national Young Adults' Ceilidh Ball that takes place at Central Hall, 2 West Tollcross, Edinburgh, EH3 9BP on Saturday 16 November at 7:00pm. Includes live band and buffet. Details and Tickets (£40) at <https://bit.ly/edinburghceilidh> Queries: Fr Robert Taylor frrobert.taylor@staned.org.uk

RAISE THE ROOF CONCERT

Barbara Dickson will appear with Nick Holland at a special concert in St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, at 7:30pm on Thursday 3 October 2024. The concert is to raise funds for the roof appeal at the Cathedral. Register at bit.ly/raisetherooftshow

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held north of Glasgow on 1 - 3 November. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more information, please call/text Sr Andrea on 07816 942824 or email at sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk. For more details, see www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk