



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

32nd Sunday of the Year

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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

1 Kings 17:10-16 *Elijah is sustained by the generosity of the poor widow*

Psalm Response *My soul give praise to the Lord.*

Hebrews 9:24-28 *The sacrifice of Jesus is the definitive one for all time. His is the true priesthood in which all the baptized shares. The sacrifices we make are joined to his for the salvation of the world.*

Mark 10:46-52 *The poor widow giving her all is an image of Christ giving his all for
US*

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Hugh McCann
Wednesday	10am	Grace Boyle
Thursday	10am	John and Annie Oates
Friday	10am	Special Intention
Saturday	10am	Fr Gordon Brown
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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY For the SCIAF Holy Land Appeal

SATURDAY is The Feast of St Margaret of Scotland, Secondary Patron of Scotland

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr Gordon Brown of this archdiocese, who has died aged 86 years.

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK Hugh McCann, Raymond Sharkey, William Byrne, Thomas McGaughan

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.

HEALTH AND SAFETY All church volunteers are encouraged to follow those online Health and Safety courses that are relevant to them. Access to these courses can be found at <https://staned.astutelearning.com/Content/MicroLearning/Home.aspx>.

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.

PARISH ACCOUNTS FOR SEPTEMBER: Offertory income £4,976. Expenditure £3,931

SSVP COLLECTION Thank you for your donations of £124 last week.

CHURCH CLEANING Wednesday 20th November after Mass Mrs. Keenan, Mrs. Antony, Mrs. Hogg, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. O'Dwyer.

STALL A Selection of Christmas Cards, Calendars, Advent Calendars, Cribs. The Catholic Herald Magazine is now available priced £4.50p.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES after Mass, not available next Wednesday 20th November, will be back on the 27th. All welcome

LADIES CLUB Wednesday 13 Nov. at 7.30 pm church hall, returning by popular request, Bruce Jamieson, who will take us on a Virtual ghost tour of Linlithgow (not including the church house). Tea, coffee and a free raffle. All welcome.

KNITTING FOR UKRAINE We now have confirmation that the stump socks knitted by people in Linlithgow and neighbouring towns have arrived in Ukraine. A couple of photos have been sent of the delivery and are at the back of the church or see <https://stmichaels-rc.org.uk/stump-socks>. If you have any questions about this project contact Patricia Russell pprussell@blueyonder.co.uk 07980 017669

SCOTTISH RELIGIOUS POETRY. Linden Bickett, one of our parishioners is also one of three editors of a new anthology, *Scottish Religious Poetry: From the Sixth Century to the Present*, published by Saint Andrew Press. **On Thursday 14 November at 7pm**, will be in conversation about the volume in St Peter's Church, Linlithgow. Tickets are £8 are they are available from the website from local bookshop Far From the Madding Crowd:

<https://www.maddingcrowdlinlithgow.com/> Everyone with an interest in Scotland's rich tradition of religious poetry over the centuries is welcome to come.

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE AND MIDDLE EAST 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:



DIPLOMA IN CATECHETICS

Take the Diploma in Catechetics and make the Holy Year 2025 a time of newness and deepening in your life of faith. The course is run by the Archdiocese and starts in January. It consists of a weekly lecture on Zoom, guided reading from the Catechism and regular 1-to-1 support. To mark the Holy Year the course is being offered at £125 (normally £200). Find out more and register at bit.ly/diploma2025

CEILIDH BALL

The national Young Adults’ Ceilidh Ball is 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 bit.ly/edinburghceilidh

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

World Day for the Poor is on Sunday 17 November and Archbishop Cushley has nominated the Beit Afram Elderly Home in Palestine as the recipient of the Archdiocese's annual appeal. Your donation will help ensure that elderly Christians living amidst the violence of war and in need of care are not abandoned and that their costs to live with dignity are covered. To donate please visit bit.ly/dayforpoor2025, [or scan the QR code]. Find out more about the care home at www.lpj.org/en

ADVENT ROSARY

The annual Archdiocesan Rosary takes place each Monday at 7:45pm through Advent, beginning on 2 December, Join us to pray for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions Register at bit.ly/adventrosary

ZOOM SERIES ON NEW LECTIONARY

The Archdiocese is hosting a series of 45 min. talks on Zoom to take a closer look at the new Lectionary which is being introduced in Advent. Join Fr Jamie McMorris at 7:00pm on Wednesday 4 December, Wed 11 Dec, and Wed 18 Dec. The sessions are free to attend. Register at bit.ly/lectionaryadvent

SUPPORTING OUR HOSPICES

Much more funding is required for palliative care services in Scotland to ensure the best are possible for the terminally ill and support for their families. Please contact your MP and MSPs and ask them to support the hospice movement and oppose assisted suicide proposals currently at Holyrood and Westminster: <https://writetothem.com>

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, 11:00am to 3:00pm, to coincide with the Feast of St Margaret. Includes games, talks and activities, concluding with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Leo. Register at bit.ly/youthdaymargaret

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