



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

The Baptism of the Lord

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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

Isaiah 40:1-5, 90-11 Having given signs of repentance, the people of Israel are to be consoled by a promise that they will see the glory of the Lord.

Psalm Response Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God how great you are.

Titus 2: 11-14, 3: 4-7 We are saved by the love of God, not by our own efforts.

3: 15-16, 21-22 In sharing out humanity, Jesus enables us to share in his divinity

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	10am	Deceased of McGuire/Raftery families
Wednesday	10am	Deceased of Canavan/Coyle families
Thursday	10am	Mgr Alistair Lawson
Friday	10am	Canon John Urquhart
Saturday	10am	Betty Derrick
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.

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON ENDS THIS SUNDAY.

MONDAY is the Feast of St. Kentigern.

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK Hugh McKenna, Mary Ellen McCabe, May Murray, Maria Keogh, James Swan, Catherine Hodge.

<p>CONFIRMATION 2025. Parents of children expecting to be confirmed in 2025 should contact Canon Paul now.</p>
<p>PARISH STATISTICS 2024: 4 Baptisms; 11 Confirmations; 10 First Communions; 2 weddings; 15 funerals.</p>
<p>CHURCH CLEANING Monday 20th January after Mass. Mrs. Lonie, Mrs. McElroy, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Matonti</p>
<p>STALL A few Calendars, The Archdiocese of St, Andrews & Edinburgh Directory - £3.00. If you have ordered the New Missal, it is available now priced £20 there maybe a few extra please ask at the stall if you are interested.</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES Will be back on 22nd January. All welcome.</p>
<p>LADIES CLUB Wednesday 15th January, St Margaret's Hall 7.30 pm. The club meets after the Christmas break starting with Reflexology, guest Kathleen Finnigan. Tea, coffee and a free raffle. All welcome.</p>
<p>50/50 CLUB. Annual subscriptions of £30 will be collected after Masses on 19 and 26 January or see Ann Chirnside. Last year we collected £2,550, half of which was given out in prizes and half for charity. New member always very welcome.</p>
<p>MARY'S MEALS COFFEE MORNING - 10.30 am Saturday 25th January St Margaret's Hall. There is a box at the back of the church for raffle/tombola donations. If you are able to help on the day or do home baking, please contact Angela on 07745509562 or angela.hughes@blueyonder.co.uk. The hall will be open from 9 am on the day for home baking donations.</p>
<p>WAYSIDE WINTER APPEAL - MEN'S CLOTHES. Coats, Jackets, Fleeces, Jumpers, Shirts, Trousers, Joggers, Trainers, Shoes, Beanies, Gloves, Scarves. A box will be available at the back of the church or email Stephen Gallacher at Stephen.gal@hotmail.co.uk The Wayside Club was established in 1932 to meet the needs of the homeless and those suffering from hardship, addiction to alcohol or gambling. It is operated by the Legion of Mary, a Catholic lay organisation and helpers from other religions and none.</p>
<p>HEALTH AND SAFETY All church volunteers are encouraged to follow online those online Health and Safety courses that are relevant to them. Access to these courses can be found https://staned.astutelearning.com/Content/MicroLearning/Home.aspx</p>
<p>WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY Service is being held at St Ninian's Craigmalen Church on 19 January 2025 at 6.30pm. This year's service is based on the question posed by Jesus to Martha: Do you believe this? All very welcome.</p>
<p>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</p>

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:



PROPERTY SURVEYOR

The Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh is seeking to appoint a Property Management Surveyor. To apply, please send your CV and a cover letter detailing how your skills and experience make you suitable for the role to recruitment@staned.org.uk. Deadline: Friday 17 January 2025. The job description can be found on the Archdiocesan website in the news-events section

SYNODAL EVENT 2025

The Archdiocese welcomes Fr Matthew Nunes from the Archdiocese of Liverpool who will lead an event titled Conversations in the Spirit, to help guide us on how to lead and participate in parish Synodality. It takes place on Saturday 1 February at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh EH9 1BB, from 11am-3pm (optional Mass at 10am). Details and registration at bit.ly/inthespirit25

VALENTINE’S RETREAT FOR COUPLES

The Archdiocese has organised a Valentine’s mini-retreat for married and engaged couples from 2-5pm on Saturday 15 February at St Kentigern’s Church, 26 Parkgrove Avenue, Edinburgh, EH4 7QR. The speaker is Fr Andrew Garden (St David’s, Dalkeith) and the event is free. Register at bit.ly/valretreat25

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Join Religious brothers and sisters at St Mary’s Cathedral on Sunday 2 February to celebrate the World Day of Consecrated Life with midday Mass. It is a chance to meet some of those who live and work in the Archdiocese and to pray for more vocations to the Religious Life.

LOURDES 2025

The Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes for the Holy Year 2025 takes place from 11-18 July. For more details please visit www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes25

DIPLOMA IN CATECHETICS

This is the last week to register for the Diploma in Catechetics 2025. It is a year-long course beginning on Thursday 23 January at 7:30pm. It consists of a weekly lecture on Zoom, readings from the Catechism and regular one-to-one support. Holy Year discount: £125 (normally £200). Register at bit.ly/diploma2025

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