



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

6th Sunday of the Year

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Public Mass on Sunday is at 9:15 am and 11:00 am

LIVESTREAM: 11 am Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month

Readings this Sunday

Jeremiah 17:5-8 There is a choice to be made between seeking happiness through one's own resources or seeking it through trusting in God.

Psalms Response Happy are those who put their trust in the Lord.

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 To deny the Resurrection is to empty faith of all meaning.

Luke 6: 17, 20-26 The Lord wants us to be happy, and the way to happiness is not through material possessions, but through self-giving love.

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	9:15am	Charles Gallacher
Wednesday	10am	David Nicol
Thursday	10am	Frank Barrie
Friday	10am	Una Keating RIP
Saturday	10am	Fr. John Callaghan
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

ANNIVERSARIES IN THE COMING WEEK: George McIlroy, Pearl Watson, David Nicol, Kate Nelson, Nuala Dyer, Mary Shelton, James Lavin, John Kemp Cairns, Kenneth Green, Dick Dolan, Catherine Flynn

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Una Keating**, who died on 2 February aged 77 years, whose funeral will be here on 21 February (reception of remains at 5pm on 20 February); for **Alex Mulholland**, who died on 4 February aged 82 years, and whose funeral will be here on 28 February (reception of remains on 27 February at 5pm); and for **Haydn Carr-Pollock**, who died on 7 February aged 56 years, whose funeral will take place here on 24 February at 10.30am. (reception of remains on 23 of February at 4pm).

LADIES CLUB Wednesday 19th February 7.30pm in St. Margarets Hall. Film Night with choc ices, tea/coffee and a free raffle. All welcome.

STALL The Catholic Herald Magazine priced £5. We are expecting a few New Sunday Missals priced £20.00.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES Not available this week. Back on 26th. All Welcome.

SSVP COLLECTION Thank you for your donations of £84.15p

JANUARY ACCOUNTS Offertory income £4,654 and expenditure £3,948.

Rise in Faith, Live in Hope The Archdiocese invites high school pupils to 'Rise in Faith, Live in Hope' at St Francis Xavier's Church, 11am-3pm on Saturday 15 March. The event will provide encouragement and inspiration to help our young people grow in their faith amidst the challenges they face. Includes Mass with Archbishop Cushley. Register at bit.ly/archyouth or for large groups please email youth.office@staned.org.uk

Workshop for Children's Liturgy Leaders If you are involved with Children's Liturgy the Archdiocesan Catechetics Commission invites you to The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, for a workshop on Children's Liturgy of the Word on Saturday 22 Feb., 9:30am-12:00pm and will include Mass, discussion groups, a presentation on resources, and a presentation on the Liturgy of the Word within Mass. Registration and full event schedule at <https://forms.office.com/e/yRxbbsJ5kL>.

RETURN: A day to help you get back to Confession If you have not been to confession for a while, want to learn more and go to confession, come to this event. The day includes talks, a how-to session, Q&A, prayer, and a chance to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It takes place from 10am-4pm on Saturday 8 March at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Register on Eventbrite at bit.ly/return2025

Healing after abortion A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held north of Glasgow on Friday, 21 to Sunday 23 March. 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

Ecumenical event A special ecumenical event titled *The role and importance of Interreligious Dialogue in Catholic Peacebuilding*, takes place at the Conforti Centre in Coatbridge on 7/8 March. The event is the annual Symposium of the Bishops' Committee for Interreligious Dialogue. All welcome. Details and registration: <https://www.interreligiousdialogue.org.uk/symposium-2025/>

Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome Archbishop Cushley leads our Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome for young adults (18+) 28 July to 4 August 2025. Cost £1,175 includes return flights from Edinburgh to Rome, coach transfers, bed and breakfast at Casa Santa Lucia and an opportunity to take part in the Jubilee for Young People programme, including attending Mass with the Holy Father. Limited single rooms available. Email frrobert.taylor@staned.org.uk

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 11-18 July. Please contact Bernadette on 0131 441 1939 or visit www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24

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>

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

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