



# St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT      CYCLE C

6<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2025      Week 14

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

**LIVESTREAM: 11 am Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month**

## Readings this Sunday

*Isaiah 43: 16-21* Those in exile can look forward to a new Exodus. God is ever creative, makes all things new and opens for us a marvellous future.

*Psalm Response* What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

*Philippians 3: 8-14* Faith in Christ is everything and surpasses everything..

*Gospel Acclamation:* Glory to you O Christ, You are the Word of God. Repent says the Lord, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Glory to you O Christ, You are the Word of God.

*John 8: 1-11* This is most likely a fragment of another Gospel (now lost) inserted into John's Gospel. Only Jesus, the sinless one can judge; and he used his power to save, not condemn, to give life, not to take it

*Eucharistic Prayer of Reconciliation 1*

## **PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK**

Monday	9.15am	Annie Murray
Wednesday	10am	Morag Donachie
Thursday	10am	Gilda Cabrelli
Friday	10am	Brian Fitzpatrick
Saturday	10am	Frank Barrie
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:** Colin Mckenna, Ann Vanbeck, Charles Markie, Margaret Casey

**EASTER VIGIL THIS YEAR SATURDAY 19 APRIL. 8.00PM**

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSIONS WEDNESDAY 6PM  
ENDING WITH COMPLINE AT 6.50PM BOOKS FOR COMPLINE ON THE TABLE AT THE  
BACK OF THE CHURCH.**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS SATURDAY 9.30 am DURING LENT**

**LENTEN ALMS** goes to the Archdiocese and then distributed to various charitable organisations supported by the Archdiocese. On the Sunday of Lent the Alms box will be at the exit from the church after Mass.

**FEBRUARY ACCOUNTS** Offertory Income for the month £4,608. £10,379 of interest was received from the diocese. Expenses £3,804.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** Latest resources for each Sunday can be found in the resources section at <https://archedinburgh.org/pastoral-governance/catechetics/>

**READERS ROTA**

**6<sup>th</sup> April 9.15** 1<sup>st</sup> K. Constable 2<sup>nd</sup> M. Moran 11.00am 1<sup>st</sup> J. Carlin 2<sup>nd</sup> S. Gallacher

**PALM SUNDAY 9.15am** 1<sup>st</sup> Raymond Hendry 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Moran short reading of the Passion by Canon Paul

**11.00am** 1<sup>st</sup> Jennie Bann 2<sup>nd</sup> Caroline Gormley Narrator (Passion) Sarah Ryan Other voices (Passion) Eddie Love and Steve Gallacher.

**STALL** The Catholic Herald Magazine priced £5. New Edition. Easter Cards Available.

**WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES** after Mass. This is the last until after Easter. Money split between Mary's Meals and SCIAF Thank You for your support.

**CHURCH CLEANING** Monday 14<sup>th</sup> after Mass. Mrs. Lonie, Mrs. McElroy, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Matonti

**MONSTRANCE** Our Monstrance, which is over a hundred years old, has been sent away for repair and refurbishment. Meanwhile, we have a temporary replacement.

**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](#)

**St Michael's is a Parish of the Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh, Charity No. SC008540**

# Notices from the Archdiocese

**Talk at Carmelite Convent** A series of Holy Year talks take place on the last Sunday of each month at the Carmelite Convent, Hot Pot Wynd, Dysart, KY1 2TF. The next one is on Sunday 30 March at 4.30pm when Canon James Tracey discusses *Reconciliation – Forgiveness*. The one-hour event includes evening prayer, Eucharistic Adoration and has been organised by the Fife Deanery. All welcome.

## **Young Adults' Holy Week event**

The Archdiocese invites young adults (18+) to prepare for Holy Week and Easter on Saturday 12 April at St. Margaret's Chapel at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH 9 1BB from 11.30am – 3.00pm. There will be talks from speakers including Fr. David Stewart SJ and the event concludes with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley. Recollect, pray and celebrate your Catholic faith. Register by emailing [frrobert.taylor@stened.org.uk](mailto:frrobert.taylor@stened.org.uk)

**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@stened.org.uk](mailto:frrobert.taylor@stened.org.uk)

**Lourdes 2025** The Archdiocesan pilgrimage flight for the summer Lourdes pilgrimage is fully booked but there is still the possibility to take part. Tangney Tours is reviewing options for pilgrim to join the pilgrimage. Please call **01732 886666** and let them know if you'd like to go.

**SCHOLA CANTOUM** The Schola Cantorum of St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral has recoded new audio tracks – the first professional recordings of the choir since 2020. Listen online for free at <http://tinyurl.com/scholalisten> and you can make an optional donation towards helping the choir sing at the Scots College Ordinations in Rome in May, when the singers will represent St. Mary's Cathedral and the Archdiocese.

**Columba Trust:** The Columba Trust provides funding to organisations and individuals for projects which support the practice of the Roman Catholic Faith, its ministry and values. The deadline for applications this year **30 June 2025**. Further details about the Trust and how to apply for a grant can be found at <https://columbatrust.org.uk>

**Mass for Married & Engaged Couples** The annual Archdiocesan Mass for Married Couples (and those preparing for marriage) takes place at 7.15pm on Tuesday 27 May at St. Mary's Cathedral. Please join us for this special occasion when we celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. Archbishop Cushley will be the principal celebrant and will give a blessing to couples.

**PALM SUNDAY YOUTH DAY** [Let your children know about our day of games and inspiring talks at Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh EH19 1BB Saturday 12 April from 11am-3pm Includes sessions for Primary School Pupils \(8+\) and sessions for High School Pupils. Register at \[bt.ly/youth psalm\]\(https://bt.ly/youth-psalm\).](#)