



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

18th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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3rd AUGUST 2025

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Public Mass on Sunday is at 10.00am

LIVESTREAM: 10 am Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month

Readings this Sunday

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 21-33 *The reality of death seems to make absurd whatever we achieve in life.*

Psalm Response *O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.*

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 *The Resurrection of Christ and the prospect of our own resurrection transforms our view of life.*

Luke 12:13-21 *The parable describes the folly of putting one's faith in passing things.*

SUNDAY MASS AT 10AM FOR THIS SUNDAY AND FOR 10 AUGUST.

MASS AT 9.15 and 11 RESUMES ON 17 AUGUST.

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	9.15am	Special Intention
Wednesday	10.00am	James McGinley
Thursday	10.00am	Special Intention
Friday	10.00am	Jim Casey RIP
Saturday	10.00am	Joseph Pham
Sunday	10.00 am	People of the Parish

Please note that Mass on Sunday is always for the people of the parish. Private intentions are remembered at weekday Mass

Anniversaries: Edward Gourlay, Andrewena Law, Tom Farmer, Catherine McKenna, James Geddes Thomson, Valenzio Palombo, Hannah Cosgrove, Kevin Gallacher, Arthur Quinn, David B. Turner.

READERS ROTA

3rd August 10.00am 1st Helen Redican

2nd Raymond Hendry

10th August 10.00am 1st Mike Moran

2nd Caroline Gormley

INTER-CHURCH BBQ is being held on Sunday, 17 August, 12.00pm to 3.00pm in St. Ninian Craigmillen's Church Field. Burgers, refreshments, games and chat. Free, but donations always appreciated.

Please book your free tickets at <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing89429>, or let Ann Chirnside (07446294432) know if you are going to attend by 12 August. We need to know numbers for catering purposes. Come along and enjoy the fun.

SSVP Collection last Sunday was £102. 82p Thank You.

STALL has a variety of cards and other gifts. The New Catholic Herald available.

The Song of the Poor by the late Fr. Tommy Greenan priced £10. is available.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES CLOSED WILL BE BACK 27th AUGUST

CHURCH CLEANING Wednesday 6th August After Mass. Mrs. Keenan, Mrs. Antony, Mrs. Hogg, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. O'Dwyer.

THE DIVINE OFFICE This is the official Prayer of the Church, also known as *The Liturgy of the Hours*, since parts of allocated to different times of the day. It consists of psalms, Scripture and other readings, hymns and prayers. The psalms would have been the prayers of Jesus in his life on earth; and now, the Church joins with Jesus as her head in prayer to the Father. The Divine Office is prayed by clergy and religious, and lay people are also encouraged to join in this Prayer of the Church. In this parish, we try to do this at Easter and during Saturday morning Mass.

HAVE YOU NOTICED that the Gospel reading at Mass always begins with the words, "At that time", even though these words are not there in the Gospel original? This constitutes a link with the old Tridentine Roman Latin, Missal, which also incorporated the Mass readings, and where the Gospel also began with "In illo tempore." By drawing attention to "that" time, the words also implicitly point to "this" time, where the same Lord continues to speak to us.

Children's Liturgy Latest resources for each Sunday can be found in the resources section at <https://archedinburgh.org/pastoral-governance/catechetics/>

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.astuteelearning.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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