



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

25th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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Public Mass Sunday 9.15 am and 11.00 am

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

Readings this Sunday

Amos 8: 4-7 The earliest of the prophets, Amos is above all the prophet of social justice.

Psalms Response Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

Timothy 2: 1-8 Prayer is the responsibility of every Christian – especially prayers for those in positions of responsibility.

Luke 16: 1-13 Though money is always tainted, it should be used in the service of the kingdom of God – that means for the poor.

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	9.15am	Special Intention
Wednesday	10.00am	Special Intention
Thursday	10.00am	Special Intention
Friday	10.00am	Joseph Pham
Saturday	10.00am	Noreen Jones
Sunday	9.15am	People of the Parish
	11.00am	Sick of the Parish

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

SATURDAY IS THE MEMORIAL OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anne Coleman, who has died aged 77 years and Audrey Bird, who has died aged 75 years.

Anniversaries: Annie Gordon, Thomas Harnby, Neil Hanlon, Mary Ferguson, Murial Anderson, Eric Levy, Julia Leggett.

POPE FRANCIS AWARDS The enrolment of children from St. Joseph's taking part in this scheme will be during the 11am Mass on 3 October.

AUGUST ACCOUNTS Offertory income £4,563, expenses £3,789, which includes £1,020 for repair to the Monstrance.

READERS

21st Sept. 9.15am 1st Mike Moran 2nd Jim Lonie 11am 1st Stephen Gallacher 2nd Paudric Osborne.
28th Sept. 9.15am 1st Ann Chirnside 2nd Mike Moran 11am 1st Jim Lonie 2nd Stephen Gallacher

STALL has a variety of Cards and Gifts. Christmas Cards, Calendars, Advent Calendars Diaries.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES available after Mass in the hall. All Welcome.

SSVP The collection last Sunday was £117.70p Thank You.

THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE weekend for those bereaved through divorce, separation or widowhood, 26-28 Sept. Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. Contact Maggie on 01329 751677 or email beginningexperiencescotland2@gmail.com

CHURCH CLEANING Monday 29th Sept. after Mass. Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. McElroy, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Matonti.

FIRST CONFESSION will be on 7 March 2026 10.30am Parents of children NOT at St. Joseph's, who are expecting to make their first Confession in 2026 and First Communion in 2027 should contact Canon Paul as soon as possible.

CONFIRMATION will be on 4 June, 2026 7pm Parents of children NOT at St. Joseph's, who are expecting to be confirmed next year, should contact Canon Paul as soon as possible.

LADIES CLUB resumes after the summer break on Wednesday 24th Sept. when Catherine Potter will tell us about 'Views from the Bridge' All welcome, both current members and those who might be interested in coming along, we are a welcoming group.
COFFEE MORNING run by PSA to raise funds for St. Joseph's Primary School outdoor play project. Saturday 27th September 10.30am in the St. Margaret's Hall. Home baking, tombola, raffle prizes would be appreciated. Tickets will be available after Sunday Masses from 7th September or pay at the door. There will be a box at the back of the Church for your kind donations. **Save the Date!**

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.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

Follow the Archdiocese on social media. The Archdiocese of St. Andrews & Edinburgh shares updates across social media (Facebook, X, Instagram) and is now on TikTok@standrewsedinburgh. News and events at archedinburgh.org/news-events.

Vacancy at BCOS The Bishops' Conference of Scotland seeks a National Director of Marriage, Family & Life Office Hours: The role is 15 hours per week and the salary is £11,746 per annum. Closing Date 26th September 2025. For a full job description email info@marriagefamilyandlife.org.uk

Venerable Margaret Sinclair The Centenary Pilgrimage to pray for the Beatification of Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place on Sunday 21 September from 12.30 – 6.00pm at St. Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1NA Holy Hour 3.00 -4.00pm Reflection 4.30pm Holy Mass concelebrated with Archbishop Leo. Confessions available all day.

Study Catholic Theology in Edinburgh Registration is now open for the MA in Applied Catholic Theology at St. Mary's University Scottish campus in Edinburgh. Details at bit.ly/catholictheology. Queries: stephen.dolan@stmarys.ac.uk

National Family Conference The inaugural National Family Conference takes place on Saturday 25th October 2025, from 10.00am to 5.00pm at St. Bride's Hall, Coursington Road, Motherwell. Featuring keynote speaker Christ Stefanick (live from the USA), the event celebrates marriage and family life with talks, prayer, and community. Register with Vemarriage@staned.org.uk, indicating your parish.

Safeguarding event The National Safeguarding Conference takes place at the University of Strathclyde Technology & Innovation Centre on Saturday 8 November at 10.00am. For more details and to register visit <http://bit.ly/41ZwirY>