

# St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

26th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR CYCLE C

28<sup>th</sup> September 2025 Week 39

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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 6:1,4-7** *The* rich will one day answer for their indifference to the poor.

**Psalm Response** My Soul, give praise to the Lord.

**1Timothy 6:11-16** Vocation and duty go together. Having been called to proclaim the Gospel and having accepted his vocation, Timothy now has the duty to proclaim the truth the way Jesus did.

**Luke 16:19-31** The unbridgeable gulf between the rich man and Lazarus is one of indifference, which blocks communication and compassion.

MONDAY IS THE FEAST OF THE ARCHANGELS, MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL.

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

Monday	9.15am	<b>Special Intention</b>
Wednesday	10.00am	<b>Special Intention</b>
Thursday	10.00am	<b>Audrey Bird RIP</b>
Friday	10.00am	Anne Coleman RIP
Saturday	10.00am	<b>Special Intention</b>
Sunday	9.15am	<b>People of the Parish</b>
	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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Audrey Bird, who has died aged 75 years – Funeral on Thursday 10am 2<sup>nd</sup> October. and Anne Coleman, who has died aged 77 years – Funeral on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 10am. The remains will be received into the church at 5pm, on the eve of the Funerals.

Anniversaries: Mary Moriarty, Arthur Devlin, Edward McKenna.

POPE FRANCIS AWARDS The enrolment of children from St. Joseph's taking part in this scheme will be during the 11am Mass on 5 October. The Pope Francis FAITH AWARD is an award of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland, designed to help children to show "signs of love" in their daily lives and to be active members of their local Church.

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

#### **READERS**

28<sup>th</sup> Sept. 9.15am 1<sup>st</sup> Ann Chirnside 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Moran 11am 1<sup>st</sup> Angela Hughes 2<sup>nd</sup> Stephen Gallacher 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 9.15am 1<sup>st</sup> Jim Campbell 2<sup>nd</sup> Tom Byrne 11am 1<sup>st</sup> Jim Carlin 2<sup>nd</sup> Cathy Vickers Morton

**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 £135.50p Thank You.

**CHURCH CLEANING** Monday 29<sup>th</sup> 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** On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm We welcome Lynda Currie to do a session on Easy Exercises to keep you active. Everyone welcome even if you don't normally attend. Please wear loose clothing and bring along 2 cans (equal weight) or 2 small bottles of water !!

**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 <a href="https://staned.astuteelearning.com/Content/MicroLearning/Home.aspx">https://staned.astuteelearning.com/Content/MicroLearning/Home.aspx</a>

**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. SCOO8540

### 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.

**St Pier Giorgio Frassati Book Tour** A book tour to celebrate the recent canonisation and the publication of 15 days of Prayer with St Pier Giorgio Frassati (New City Press, 2025) visits St. Albert's Chaplaincy, 24 George Square, Edinburgh EH8 9LD, on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 5.15pm. Free event, all welcome.

Catholic Conversations for Women Women who are recent converts, those considering Catholicism, and those who are desirous of faith-focused discussion are welcome to this event on Saturday, 25 October, 3.45pm-4.45pm in the St. Andrew's Parish rooms (77 Belford Rd. EH4 3DS). All welcome to join for Holy Hour with Adoration and chanted Vespers from 5:10pm in the convent with the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma. To register, email edinburgh@almamercy.org or call 0131 343 3380

**Venerable Margaret Sinclair event** Commemorate the centenary of the death of Venerable Margaret Sinclair on Saturday 22 November 2025 by meeting at her former grave in Mount Vernon Cemetery, Edinburgh at 9.00am to pray the Rosary. This will be followed by a walk to her tomb at St. Patrick's in the Cowgate. Benediction at 12.15pm followed by Holy Mass at 12.30pm. A centenary Mass will be offered at the Sacred Heart Altar, in St. Patrick's on Monday 24 November at 5.45pm

**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 25<sup>th</sup> 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