



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR CYCLE C

5th October 2025

Week 40

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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

Habakkuk 1:2-3: 2:2-4 Endurance is a reward of faithfulness.

Psalms Response My Soul, give praise to the Lord.

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 God's gift of the Spirit "was a spirit of timidity but the Spirit of power and love, and self-control." With the help of the Spirit, Timothy is to guard his previous gift of faith which he is to share with others.

Luke 17:5-19 We practise our faith by carrying out God's will.

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday	9.15am	Sick Person
Wednesday	10.00am	Ann Coleman
Thursday	10.00am	Audrey Bird
Friday	10.00am	Joseph Pham
Saturday	10.00am	Anne-Marie McKirdy
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

Anniversaries: Jack Green, William Paul, Darren Pollard

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

5th Oct. 9.15am 1st Jim Campbell 2nd Tom Byrne 11am 1st Jim Carlin 2nd Cathy Vickers Morton
12th Oct. 9.15am 1st Raymond Hendry 2nd Jim Campbell 2nd Cathy Vickers Morton 2nd Jim Carlin

STALL has a variety of Cards and Gifts. Christmas Cards, Calendars, Advent Calendars Diaries. We also have Christmas Cards from SSVP and The Carmelite Order and Gifts.

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

SSVP The collection last Sunday was £161.26p Thank You.

CHURCH CLEANING Tuesday 14th October at 9.30am Mrs. Workman, Mrs. C. Wilson, Mrs. Sinclair, Mrs. Gormley.

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 8th 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 <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

Day of Prayer for Peace The Bishops of Scotland invite all Catholics to keep Tuesday 7th October as a day of prayer for peace **The Church will be open until 5pm** *God of peace and justice. ~We pray for the people of the Holy Land: Israel and Palestinian, Jew, Christian and Muslim. We pray for an end to acts of violence and terror. We lift to you all who are fearful and hurting. We ask for wisdom and compassion for those in leadership. Above all, we ask that Jesus the Prince of Peace, establish lasting reconciliation and justice for the Holy Land and all nations. Amen.*

Calling all RCIA leaders RCIA leaders are invited by the Catechetics Commission for a morning workshop. The day will include Mass, spotlights on two programmes; St. Teresa's East Calder & Sacred Heart, Edinburgh, and tips for best-utilising technology and the internet. Date: Saturday 11 October 2025 9.15pm – 12.00pm. Location: The Gillis Centre 100 Strathearn Rd. EH9 1BB

The Calix Society The Calix Society is an association of Catholic alcoholics who meet to grow in their relationship with God through prayer and meditation (Alcoholics Anonymous' 11th Step). It welcomes anyone who wishes to join in prayer and fellowship. Meetings are on Tuesdays 7.00-8.00pm, starting 21 October at St. Patrick's Church, The Cowgate, Edinburgh EH1 1TQ For more information visit www.calixsociety.org

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 October, .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

Concert The University of Santo Tomas Singers, from Manila in the Philippines, perform at St. Teresa of Lisieux Church, Craigmillar, Edinburgh, at 4.00pm on Sunday 2 November 2025. Free entry (donations welcome).

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>

Interfaith event The Edinburgh Interfaith Key Note Lecture & AGM 2025 takes place in Edinburgh City Chambers, EH1 1YJ, on Tuesday 28 October at 5..30pm. The key note speaker is Adrian Cristea and the topic is 'Seeds of Peace & Hope' Register at bit.ly/46tSk1A