



St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10th MAY 2026

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to donate.

Public Mass Sunday 9.15 am and 11.00 am

Readings this Sunday

Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17 The Gospel spreads to Samaria, the Holy Spirit working with them.

Psalm Response Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

1 Peter 3:16-18 Through the Resurrection of Jesus, we are led to new life.

John 14:15-21 The Father will send the Holy Spirit who will make Christ present. And as Christ is made present, so is the Father who is in Jesus as Jesus is in the Father.

THURSDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD AND A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. VIGIL MASS WEDNESDAY AT 7PM, MASS ON THURSDAY 10AM

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY FOR THE BISHOPS' COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (THIS MONEY HELPS PAY FOR THE CATHOLIC MEDIA OFFICE)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday | 10.00am | Mary Boyle |
| Wednesday | 7.00 pm | Sarah McNamara |
| Thursday | 10.00am | Margaret and Chris Canavan |
| Friday | 10.00 am | Joseph Pham |
| Saturday | 10.00am | Sheena Boyle |
| Sunday | 9.15am | People of the Parish |
| Sunday | 11.00am | Sick of the Parish |

Mass on Sunday is always for the parish and the sick of the parish. Weekdays are reserved for private intentions.

Anniversaries: Patrick Dowds, Margaret Johnstone, Dorothy McEwan, Patrick Boyle, Teroy Reilly, Margaret Hanlon.

READERS

10th May 9.15am 1st Mike Moran 2nd Karri Byrne 11am 1st Margaret Robertson 2nd Eddie Love.
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SCIAF WEE BOXES totalled £807.53p which has been sent to SCIAF.

STALL .Has a selection of First Communion Cards/Gifts also Confirmation Cards/Gifts.

CHURCH CLEANING Tuesday 19th May 9.30am Mrs. Ambrose, Mrs. Workman, Mrs. C. Wilson, Mrs. Gormley.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES cancelled as there is no Mass.

SSVP Collection Box last week was £137.80p Thank You.

Thank you also to the parishioner who kindly donated a box of small coins which amounted to £12.36p.

**LADIES CLUB SUMMER OUTING: Afternoon Tea at Maison Belles on the 27th May 2.00pm for 2.30pm Cost is £27.50 (includes tips)
Payment to Ann Chirnside ASAP.**

West Lothian's SPRED (Special Religious Development) group for adults aged 21+ meets on Tuesday evenings at the Lanthorn Community Centre in Livingston. The spiritual programme for adults with special needs fosters communion with Jesus Christ within the Catholic community of faith. Please contact Sister Mary Benedicta Maier, RSM at srmary.benedicta@staned.org.uk if you are interested in becoming a SPRED catechist or seeing if your adult child would like to join the group.

A BEQUEST Several years ago, an unmarried lady in Edinburgh bequeathed an engagement ring to the parish to be sold for the benefit of that parish. Actually, she instructed her lawyer to give the ring to any parish the lawyer chose; and, since the lawyer lived in Linlithgow, it has come to us. It seems the lady in question, though not herself a Catholic, was engaged to a Catholic who was subsequently killed in World War 11. The ring dates from the 1930s and has been valued at £1700. Just selling it does not seem satisfactory. We would never get the full price for it. But, more than that, it should be disposed of in such a way that its history as a symbol of enduring love is preserved. Ideally, it could be bought as an engagement ring. If anyone has any ideas, contact Canon Paul.

WEST LOTHIAN YOUNG ADULTS' GROUP It is intended to start a Young Adults' group (age 18-c.35) which shall meet monthly, for prayer, talks, social gatherings and, perhaps, other things besides such as retreats, pilgrimages and the like. A preliminary meeting of introduction, prayer and social time will take place on Monday 25 May, 7.30pm St. Mary's Hall, Bathgate. If you are a young adult, practising your faith but wish you had the formation and friendly support you deserve from other fellow Catholics, please do come along to our preliminary meeting. We would love to hear from you and what you would like to know, do or be involved within your Catholic faith. Contact office.stmarysbathgate@staned.org.uk

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.

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

