St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

4th OCTOBER 2026 CYCLE A

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Public Masses Sunday 9.15am and 11.00am

Readings this Sunday

Isaiah 5:1-7 *This a song of unrequited love for his people, the vineyard of the Lord.*

Psalm Response *The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.*

Philippians 4:6-9 ***T****he peace of Christ comes from his ongoing presence with us and transfigures all human values.*

Matthew 21:33-43 *The rejection of the Son of God would lead to a wonderful new creation.*

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	**10.00am**	**James Wylie**
Wednesday	**10.00am**	**Catherine McDonald**
Thursday	**10.00am**	**Special Intention**
Friday	**10.00am**	**Sick Person**
Saturday	**10.00am**	**Kath. Levy**
Sunday	**9.15am**	**Parish**
	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: Arthur Devlin, Edward McKenna, Jack Green, William Paul, Darren Polland.

POPE FRANCIS AWARD SCHEME. Pupils from St. Joseph's School will be enrolled at the 11am Mass after the Creed.

READERS
4th Oct. 9.15am 1st Mike Moran 2nd Caroline Gormley 11am 1st Jim Carlin 2nd Danny Boyle.
11th Oct. 9.15am 1st Jim Lonie 2nd Jim Campbell 11am 1st Margaret Robertson 2nd Tricia Macaulay.

SAFEGUARDING The annual safeguarding statement, to be read out in all Scottish parishes, will be read out at the end of Mass this Sunday.

FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST COMMUNION First Confession takes place on 7 March 2027, 10.30am and First Communion for children who have made their First Confession takes place on 23 May 2027, 10am. Parents of children, not at St. Joseph's School, who are expecting to make their first Confession in 2027, should contact Canon Paul as soon as possible.

CHURCH CLEANING Wednesday 7 October after Mass .Mrs. Keenan, Mrs. Antony, Mrs. Hogg, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. O'Dwyer. As you can see, we are short of cleaners if you can help **male or female** please put your name and what day you prefer on the sheet at the back of the Church it is only every **6 weeks.**

August Expenses Offertory Income £5,092, Expenses £3,241.

SSVP Collection last Sunday raised £138.15p Thank You.

THE PARISH ALIVE PROLIFE GROUP meet on Friday at 5pm most weeks in the church to pray the Rosary. Please email Eddie Love on eddielove15@gmail.com or Stevie Gallacher on stephen.gal@hotmail.co.uk and we'll include you in our WhatsApp. You will be very welcome.

STALL Has a selection of Christmas Cards, Calendars, Advent Calendar and Diaries.

WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES after Mass. All welcome. Proceeds to Mary's Meals and Emerald Hill.

LADIES CLUB Next meeting will be on Wednesday October 7th 7.30pm in the Q.M. Hall. Aileen Eland is our guest and she will tell us about The Soroptomists. All most welcome.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING please come along on Saturday 31st October 10.00 – 12.00 to support this good cause. Home baking very much needed (please mark anything that contains nuts) and can be handed into the hall from 9.00 on Saturday 31st October. Donations for Raffle & Tombola also gratefully received (box at back of the church). Tickets on sale after Mass. £5 per adult and £1 per school age child. **Please bring cash.**

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE will hold a weekend for those suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood on 16th - 18th October, Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. Contact Maggie on 07786687631 or email beginningexperiencescotland2@gmail.com

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

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.