

St Michael's Catholic Church Linlithgow NEWSLETTER

32nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

8th NOVEMBER 2026 CYCLE A

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Public Masses Sunday 9.15am and 11.00am

Readings this Sunday

Wisdom 6:12-16 *A feminine image of the Spirit of God.*

Psalm Response *For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.*

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 *At the time that Paul wrote to the Thessalonians – about 48 or 49 A.D. – the return of Christ was expected very soon. The message remains – Christ will come again.*

Matthew 25:1-13 *Preparing for the Lord's coming does not involve doing anything difficult – just basic and obvious things.*

This Saturday the Archbishop will celebrate the diocesan Mass with the members of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul from the various parishes in the Archdiocese.

Next Sunday is the World Day for the Poor, when there will be a special collection, which, in this archdiocese, will go to the Bethany Christian Trust's Care Van, which provides food, hot drinks and practical support to people experiencing homelessness and hardship in Edinburgh.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	**10.00am**	**For the healing of a Sick person**
Wednesday	**10.00am**	**Hugh McCann**
Thursday	**10.00am**	**Thanksgiving**
Friday	**10.00am**	**Special Intention**
Saturday	**11.00am**	**St. Vincent De Paul**
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: Peter Pow, Veronica Cabrelli, Hugh McCann, Raymond Sharkey, Kathleen McGill.

READERS 8th Nov. 9.15am 1st Raymond Hendry 2nd Jim Campbell 11am 1st Angela Hughes 2nd Mgt. Robertson.
15th Nov. 9.15am 1st Jim Lonie 2nd Mary Workman 11am 1st Derek Green 2nd Linden Bicket.

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 22 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 18th November after Mass. .Mrs. Keenan, Mrs. Antony, Mrs. Hogg, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. O'Dwyer.

October Parish Expenses Offertory income £4,952. Expenses £7,669, includes £4,702 insurance PREMIUM and £657 altar supplies
SSVP Collection last Sunday £64. 90p Thank You.

'A big'**THANK YOU**' to everyone who supported the Parish MacMillan Coffee Morning. The magnificent sum of **£3338.60 was raised to support this good cause. It couldn't happen without you so thank you once again on behalf of MacMillan'**

STALL Has a selection of Christmas Cards, Calendars, Advent Calendars and Diaries.
WEDNESDAY TEAS/COFFEES after Mass. We also have books, Bottle Bags and Gift Bags
LADIES CLUB Next meeting is Wednesday 11th November at 7.30pm in the Hall. Guest speaker Sally Pattle from The Bookshop Linlithgow. Teas/Coffees and a free raffle. All Welcome.
Those planning to attend the St. Ninian's Craigmailen Guild fund raising event 20 Nov., 1.30pm please submit your names to any on the Ladies Club committee with any dietary requirements by 14 Nov. so we can let the Guild know for catering purposes. The cost is £10.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS There are a total of twelve Eucharistic Prayers. **Eucharistic Prayer 1** (also known as the Roman Canon) has been in use since at least the 6th century and tends to be used on big feasts, feasts of the apostles and early Roman martyrs. **Eucharistic Prayer 2,** inspired by the 5th century version of St. Hippolytus, is commonly used on weekdays. **Eucharistic Prayer 3** is commonly used on Sundays. **Eucharistic Prayer 4** is used for group Masses and Mass on weekdays. There are two **Eucharistic Prayers for Reconciliation** which are sometimes used in Lent; three **Eucharistic Prayers for Special Occasions** and three **Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with children -**that is when there are more children than adults present.

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.

"Even before the celebration (of Mass) itself, it is a praiseworthy practice for silence to be observed in the church, in the sacristy, in the vesting room, and in adjacent areas, so that all may dispose themselves to carry out the sacred celebration in a devour and fitting manner"
(*General instruction on the Roman Missal, issued by the Holy See, 3rd Edition 2022)*