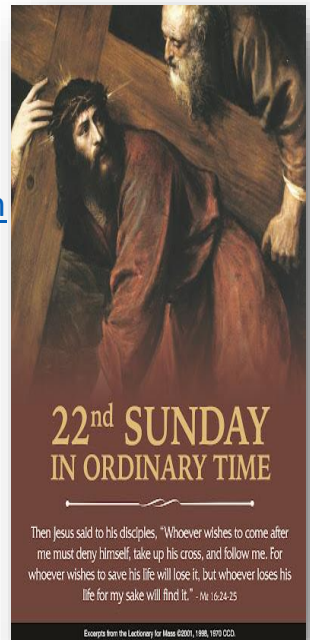







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**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year - 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021**



Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>BROXBURN</b> 5.30 pm Vigil Mass James Watson RIP RIP 	<b>WINCHBURGH</b> 9.30 am Mass The Sick & Housebound 3.00 pm Vigil Mass Manus Maguire RIP	Memorial of St Augustine
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> August	9.30 am Mass Martin Ward RIP 5.00 pm Mass Margaret Brady RIP	11.30 am Mass Matt McShane RIP	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	9.30 am Mass Lawrence Stevenson RIP	No Mass	Feria
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> August	No Mass	9.30 am Requiem Mass Kathleen Fitzpatrick (Nee Philbin) RIP	Memorial St Aidan
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September <i>"World Day of Prayer for Creation"</i>	9.30 am Mass Ellen Reddington RIP 	No Mass 	Memorial of St Giles
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	No Mass	9.30am Mass Tony O'Neill RIP	Feria
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	9.30 am Mass Declan Tierney RIP	No Mass	Memorial of St Gregory The Great
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	5.30 pm Vigil Mass Ellen Sweeney Calder RIP	9.30am Mass Deceased members of Holy Family Conference 3pm Mass Fr Patrick Clarke RIP	Memorial of St Cuthbert
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30am Mass Rita Sullivan 5pm Mass Mary Devine RIP	11.30 am Mass People of the Parish	

**Confessions**

**Broxburn – Saturday 6.15pm, Sunday 5.45pm, Winchburgh – Saturday 10.15am**



### Theme: "Cleanliness"

The Test and Protect Authorities would be very impressed by the Scribes and Pharisees in their assiduous washing of hands during the Coronavirus today; it would be Jesus and his followers who would be getting a ticking off! However, as you know clean hands and clean minds are two very different things. Jewish laws and customs on outward cleanliness were done at the time of Moses to emphasise the unique status of the Jewish people, Jesus radically reforms the mindset on obsession with Jewish ritual to instead focus on the 'Battle' of restoring our hearts, minds and our souls to purity. Why be proud of your outward cleanliness when inside your heart are all sorts of sordid or unclean thoughts? It's not clean hands that will get us into heaven but a clean conscience on how we treat God and our neighbour.

### Reflection: 'The Resurrection of the Body'

*By Dr Sara Parris*

"Faith in the resurrection is not optional: 'If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are of all people the most pitiable'. (1 Cor 15:19) if God truly is love, God's love for each of the poor who never receive justice in this life must be eternal, or they would have been created in vain. We must hope that what the Apostles Creed teaches that God offers, the Resurrection of the Body and Life Everlasting; is truly on offer to the poor. And if we hope it for them, what about ourselves? Should our response really be to run away from the empty tomb in fear and say nothing to anyone?"

### SHARED PARISH NEWS

#### What do You do for a Living?

The Primary 1 -2 class of Holy Family Scholl were asking this week what caring role a Parish Priest has in the community? What a wonderful question. I tried to answer it in the following terms:

- (i) To be like Jesus, kind and loving to God's People
- (ii) To teach them about the Gospel, the sacraments and the beauty of the Mass.
- (iii) To help young people to learn how to pray
- (iv) To visit the sick at home and in hospital
- (v) To care for the sanctuary of the church
- (vi) To heal people who repent for their sins
- (vii) To listen and care for people with problems
- (viii) To raise money for the poor
- (ix) To be hospitable
- (x) To celebrate the 7 Sacraments



I will tell you all this, not to justify my existence but to encourage our young people to see what a wonderful privilege it is to serve Christ Jesus in the Church. I was amused by a question from the Office for National Statistics who phoned this week past and asked how many hours a week we work.... answered, rightly or wrongly, ours is not a job, it's a way of life, a vocation not measured in hours....

#### Special Day to Pray for Vocations 12<sup>th</sup> September

On Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September from 2pm to 5pm in St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church, Broxburn, we have three hours of prayer, tranquil reflection and devotions in order to appeal through the Holy Spirit for more vocations in our parishes. You can come for it all or stay for part of the time. The programme is as follows:

2pm	Opening of Exposition
Opening Talk	Fr Jeremy Bath
2.20pm	Silent Meditation
3pm	Stations of the Cross till 3.35pm
3.35 pm -4pm	Confessions
4pm	Rosary
4.40pm	Papal teaching of Vocations
4.50pm	Benediction
5pm	Close



N.B Other parishes in the Deanery are welcome to attend the afternoon. No need to book beforehand.

#### Vestry Hour this week

Winchburgh Parish – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 4pm (01506 891310).

Broxburn Parish – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2pm (01506 852040).

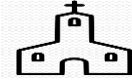
**For all general pastoral enquiries**



### **Meeting and Starting up again of Altar Servers**

This weekend under revised guidelines we are permitted to have servers on the Altar area of the Sanctuary, wearing masks and giving each other reasonable space. Those who served in the past and those who would like to start should see Fr Jeremy this weekend before or after Mass. After Mass training will be provided. God Bless our Servers.

### **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist**



They are invited to meet up to clarify future ministry and current guidelines. Broxburn parish- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August 11am, Winchburgh parish – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August 12.30pm.

### **Thank you**

- (i) Lorna Fogwill would like to thank all who helped conduct Peter's funeral last Monday in Broxburn and all those who paid their respects, sending cards, letters, flowers and messages of condolence. It is much appreciated. May he rest in peace.
- (ii) From Fr Jeremys summer visitors in Winchburgh, Lorraine + Llewelyn for all the kindness received during their stay.

### **Praying for the Sick and Housebound**

This weekend at the Masses we make a special intention of the sick and housebound. Keeping them forever in our minds and praying for their welfare and spiritual lives. Please let Fr Jeremy know of anyone who should be added to the housebound list.

### **Death of Kathleen Fitzpatrick Nee Philbin RIP**

Dear Kathleen died peacefully in her daughters' home on the 16<sup>th</sup> August. Her Requiem Mass is at 9.30am on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August in St Philomena's, Winchburgh, followed by a burial at Kingscavil Cemetery. We pray for her husband George and all the family. Kathleen was a very caring and much-loved Mother and neighbour. May she rest in peace.

### **Death of Margaret Pleasance – Holmsview**

Dear Margaret passed away in the nursing home just as Fr Jeremy completed the prayers of the dying on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. She previously stayed in Holmes Gardens for several happy years. God rest her soul. Funeral arrangements to be announced.

### **Colloquium on Inter Religious Dialogue**

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September there is a 'Colloquium' (Lecture + discussion) on Inter-Religious dialogue during the Papacy of Pope Francis. Speakers are Dr Peter Admirand from Dublin University and Fr Roddy Johnston Vicar General of Argyll and Isles Diocese. The meeting lasts from 11 am to 2.30pm. To register for the Zoom link, go to: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tzoqfu2rpz>

### **Schools**

- (i) Fr Jeremy is giving a 'Spiritual Reflection' to the St Nicholas staff on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August to help and support the experience of connecting Scripture to teaching.
- (ii) The Parent Council of Holy Family School meet on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August @ 6.30pm
- (iii) St Nicholas P6 a+b have class Masses on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September in the afternoon.



### **Forthcoming Marriage**



Please pray for Aoife and Fraser who live in Winchburgh and she is a teacher at St Kentigern's Academy, they are getting married in Eire on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September after a year and a half delay to their Wedding. We wish them every joy and blessing in Married Life.

### **St Philomena's Hall Committee**

There is a meeting of the Hall Committee on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 1pm. It is good that new volunteers are helping to run the hall and keep it viable,

### **Donation of Statue of Our Lady**

A statue of Mary has been donated by the parish in Broxburn to the local St Nicholas School to enhance its Catholic ethos. The school are very grateful.

### **Countdown to Cop -26 – Climate Change Conference**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September is 'World Day of Prayer for Creation:

In about 8 weeks' time the Global Climate Change Conference meets in Glasgow. In preparation for this major event, where Pope Francis intends to be present, we now quote in the coming weeks from Encyclical letter, "Laudato Si" meaning, "Praise Be TO You", published in 2015.

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**Para 2** – This sister, (Mother Earth), now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. We have come to see ourselves as Lords and Masters, entitled to plunder her at will. The violence present in our hearts, wounded by sin, is also reflected in the symptoms of sickness evident in the soil, in the water, in the air and in all forms of life.' .... We have forgotten that we are formed from the soil of the earth.

### Mary's meals



Pauline Steyn from Broxburn parish, has delivered 64 backpacks to Mary's Meals, thank you for your generous donations. They are on the way via boat to Malawi. Any future donation please give to Pauline or put in collection in an envelope clearly marked "For Mary's Meals."

### Key holders

We are revising our Key List for the Insurers. If you have a key for our parish churches and no longer use it, please could you hand it back to Father Jeremy as soon as possible to take your name off of our list. Many thanks.

### Beginning Experience

Beginning Experience, an international organisation to assist those affected by bereavement, separation or divorce. Margaret (Maggie) Robinson is the President of the Beginning Experience Scotland Team. In September 2006, the Bishops Conference of Scotland, acknowledged the ministry of Beginning Experience, as "assisting in the pastoral care of those suffering the bereavement of separation, divorce or widowhood". The Beginning Experience has its main centre in America with Regional Boards covering the British Isles. There are Teams in Scotland and South of England, Belfast, Dublin. If you go to [www.beginningexperience.org](http://www.beginningexperience.org) That should give you an idea of what they do and offer. If you want to make enquiries e-mail at : [beginningexperiencescotland.com](mailto:beginningexperiencescotland.com) or Tel 01389 751677

### Safeguarding Training

Just to let you know that after a short summer break, we now have more Induction Part 2 training sessions arranged and details are on the Archdiocese website:

**Induction Part 2 Training (Duration approx. 90 Mins)** *Please note that Induction Part 2 Training should be done approx. 18 months after Level 1 or Induction Part 1 Training has been completed - thank you.* Trainer: Joanne Aitken - [Joanne.Aitken@staned.org.uk](mailto:Joanne.Aitken@staned.org.uk) **Tuesday 31 August 2021 at 7.15pm, Wednesday 8 September 2021 at 7.15pm** Please book directly with Joanne via the email address above. 30 places available for each session and must be pre booked to obtain the joining details. Please also provide your parish and role within the parish when booking - thanks.

Trainer: Julie Brechin - [julie.brechin@staned.org.uk](mailto:julie.brechin@staned.org.uk) **Saturday 25 September 2021 at 10am**

Please book directly with Julie via the email address above. 30 places available for this session and must be pre booked to obtain the joining details. Please also provide your parish and role within the parish when booking - thanks. We still have approx. 1,200 volunteers to go through Induction Part 2 training this year so more dates will be available soon, as well as dates for Induction Part 1 training. All training will continue to be online for the moment.

### Saints Days this coming week:

**St Cuthbert – Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September** – Major contributor to the Christian heritage of our Archdiocese, especially in the Lothians and the Borders. Started in Melrose under the influence of St Aiden, he was a man of great prayer and charismatic mystic. Forced against his will by the king to be the Bishop of Hexham, he soon retreated to Holy Island and drew many followers. Buried in Durham Cathedral.

### Answers to last week's Quiz

1. What was the name of Napoleon's favourite horse? **'Marengo'**
2. In golf, what does a 'Double Bogey' score indicate? **2 over Par**
3. What is the 1<sup>st</sup> amendment of the U.S Constitution? **Freedom of Religion, speech, the press, assembly and petition.**
4. How many cubic inches in a Scotch Pint? **104 Cubic inches**
5. What does the musical term 'Adagio' mean? **'slow'**



### This Weeks Quiz

1. Which Scottish Clan is Eilean Donan Castle the home of?
2. How many years of Marriage is 'Tin'?
3. Which university in Scotland became the first to have a female student in 1862?

**Next Week's Reading: 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year –1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7 Psalm: Ps 145 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: James 2:1-5 Gospel: Mark 7:31-37**