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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 10th OCTOBER 2021

Saturday 9 th October	<u>BROXBURN</u> 5.30 pm Vigil Mass Eleanor Greenan (AV)	9.30 am Mass Special Intention 3.00 pm Vigil Mass Kathleen Fitzpatrick	Mass of Our Lady 
Sunday 10th October	9.30 am Mass James & Shaun Watson 5.00 pm Mass Deidrie McLaughlin	11.30 am Mass Paddy Callaghan (AV)	28th Sunday of the Year
Monday 11 th October	9.30 am Mass Lawrence Garza RIP	No Mass 	Memorial of St John XXIII
Tuesday 12 th October	No Mass	9.30 am Mass Josephine Hampson	Memorial of St Kenneth
Wednesday 13 th October	9.30 am Mass Franco Panetta	No Mass	Feria
Thursday 14 th October	No Mass	9.30 am Mass Andrew Brown	Memorial of St Callistus I
Friday 15 th October	9.30 am Mass Mary Devine (95)	No Mass 	Memorial of St Teresa of Avila
Saturday 16 th October	5.30 pm Vigil Mass Jim Napier	9.30 am Deceased Priests Fund 3.00 pm Vigil Mass Margaret Foody RIP	St Hedwig
Sunday 17th October	9.30 am Mass Martin Ward 5.00 pm Mass Adam Kawlewski	11.30 am Mass Terry Philbin	29th Sunday of the Year
Monday 18 th October	9.30 am Mass Ian Docherty RIP	No Mass 	Feast of St Luke
Tuesday 19 th October	No Mass	9.30 am Mass Margaret Foody RIP	Feria

Wednesday 20 th October	9.30 am Mass Oliver Conners RIP	No Mass	Feria
Thursday 21 st October	No Mass	9.30 am Mass Morris Whitelaw	Feria
Friday 22 nd October	9.30 am Mass Maureen Coupland	No Mass 	Memorial of St John Paul II
Saturday 23 rd October	5.30 pm Vigil Mass Patrick Devenney (Father)	9.30 am Mass Special Intention 3.00 pm Vigil Mass Billy Mullen	Memorial of St John of Capistrano
Sunday 24th October Mission Sunday	9.30 am Mass Tatum Rawlings 5.00 pm Mass Tommy Brogan RIP	11.30 am Mass People of the Parishes 	29th Sunday of the Year

Confessions

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

Theme: “Open Your Eyes”

We can be so blind to our riches; we can be so blinded by the riches that we have. So much so that the rich man is not conscious of Lazarus sitting hungry and naked at his gate begging for help. In a sense, material things can have such a grip of us, that we literally call them possessions. We both possess them and they subconsciously possess us; governing our insecurity and misplaced sense of freedom. Jesus leads by example, in the sense that he does not possess any material things of his own. His treasure lies in the covenant of love with God the Father. Remember the parable of the man who found the Kingdom of God, it was like finding a pearl in a field then sold everything he had and bought the field. Open our eyes O God to the spiritual treasures of our faith and let the rest turn to dust.

Reflection ‘Celebration of Discipline’

‘Simplicity’ – by Richard Foster

‘Because we lack a divine Centre our need for security has led us into an insane attachment to things. We must really understand that the lust for affluence in contemporary society is psychotic. It is psychotic because it has completely lost touch with reality. We crave things we neither need or enjoy. We are made to feel ashamed to wear clothes or drive cars until they are worn out. The mass media have convinced us that to be out of step with fashion is to be out of step with reality. It is time we awaken to the fact that conformity to a sick society is to be sick. May God give you – and me – the courage, the wisdom, the strength always to hold to the Kingdom of God as the number one priority in our lives. To do so is to live in simplicity’.

SHARED PARISH NEWS

Holidays Again.... for some

The school half term or Autumn break starts this weekend and Fr Jeremy will be away for a few days break, so Canon John is kindly ‘holding things together’. Because of the weeks holiday there will be no family rosary on Tuesday 12th October at 6pm but it will resume the following Tuesday, God willing. Happy break for all those going away.

Raymond McDonnell RIP

Raymond lived in Uphall for many years and attended to the needs of dear Phyllis who went before him six years ago. We pray for the repose of the soul of dear Raymond who loved his faith and would ferry himself and many others to Mass whenever it was available, including many visits to Carfin. His Requiem Mass will be in St Mary’s, Bathgate, followed by a burial at Loaninghill Cemetery, date to be confirmed. There will be a tea&coffee session in the Canon Hoban Hall afterwards. May he rest in peace and rise in glory. Our Lady of Lourdes pray for him.

Vestry Hour (for all general pastoral enquiries)

Broxburn Parish – Monday 18th October 5pm. 01506 852040
Winchburgh Parish – Wednesday 20th October 6pm. 01506 891310



Sunday 24th October is “Mission Sunday”

In two weeks', time, at Pope Francis' invitation Catholics in parishes all over the world will be asked to contribute to a special collection for the Pontifical Mission Societies, his official charity for overseas mission. The theme this year is, from Acts 4:20. "We cannot remain silent about what we have seen and heard". The Scottish branch of Missio aims to share with you all, some of the lifesaving work and life-giving work being undertaken by missionary religion, catechists and priests in South East Asia. Visit www.missioscotland.com for more information.

A Revised Document, “In Gods Image”

The renewed national document on Safeguarding has just been published and is available to all on the Scottish Catholic Safeguarding website. Our Commitment to Safeguarding – is stated as follows:

All components of the Catholic Church in Scotland, especially those in positions of leadership and responsibility, value the lives, wholeness, safety and well-being of each individual person within God's purpose for everyone.

We seek to uphold the highest safeguarding standards in our relationships with people of all ages who are involved in whatever capacity with the Church and its organisations.

And therefore, as a Church community, we accept that it is the responsibility of all of us, - ordained, professed, employed and voluntary members – to work together to protect children and vulnerable adults from abuse or harm.



Finance Meeting – Broxburn Parish

On Monday 18th October at 3pm Fr Jeremy would like to meet with members of the Finance Committee i.e., Stall holder, Money Counters, Parish Hall, 59 Club, book-keeping + Accountancy. It is important to 'cost out' our future funding of the church, house and hall.

Sacraments

- (i) The P3 enrolment Masses will be on Sunday 24th October at 9.30am, 11.30am, 5pm for all children starting their sacramental journey. Anyone who has not got an application form should contact the parish office as soon as possible as these need to be handed back at the enrolment Mass.
- (ii) Baptism of Lochlann Thom – this will take place on Sunday 24th October at 2pm, God Bless him.
- (iii) The new R.C.I.A class will start on Tuesday 19th October at 6.45pm in the 'Lesser Hall' of the parish hall in Broxburn, for all receiving instruction as adult enquirers.

New end of Mass Prayer for COP 26

In the final weeks leading up to Cop 26 Fr Jeremy will read out a special prayer written by the Holy Father in the encyclical, 'Laudato Si'. Please take a copy from the back of the church.

*God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth,
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.*

*Enlighten those who possess power and money that they may avoid the sin of indifference,
that they may love the common good, advance the weak, and care for this world in which we live.*

The poor and the earth are crying out.

*O Lord, seize us with your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare
for a better future,*

for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty.

Praise be to you! Amen



'Help the People of Palestine'

There is a lovely festival opening on Saturday 9th October – from 11am -4pm daily (Sunday 2pm-4pm) at St Columba's-by-the-castle, Edinburgh. A one-week festival of Palestinian artistry celebrating the 4000-year history of Palestine in beautiful tapestry, as well as traditional music, dancing, photography, films, talks and children's activities. Go to: <https://www.palestinianhistorytapestry.org/> for more info.

Dying Well event

The Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office hosts an online event titled 'Dying Well: How quality palliative care is the alternative to assisted suicide'. The speaker is Dr Gillian Wright a medical ethicist and palliative care doctor. It takes place at 7:45pm, on Tuesday 5 October. Register now at bit.ly/DyingWellEvent

Safeguarding newsletter

The latest edition of the Safeguarding Matters newsletter from the Bishop's Conference of Scotland is available at www.bcos.org.uk/safeguarding

Winchburgh Posties

Thank you to the parishioners that helped deliver our mailshot to all the new houses, it is greatly appreciated. I pray we welcome new families to our Church.

Dementia: Hope on a Difficult Journey

An event for those supporting friends or family with dementia will be held at the Gillis Centre, Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, from 2-4pm on Saturday 6 November. A talk will be led by Dr Adrian Treloar, and there will be a chance to share experiences before a time of prayer in St Margaret's Chapel, onsite. Light refreshments will be served. The event is organised by the Archdiocesan Marriage & Families Commission. Register at bit.ly/DementiaEvent2021

White Mass

A White Mass for doctors, nurses and all healthcare workers in Scotland in gratitude for their service throughout the Covid pandemic takes place at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, at midday on Sunday 17 October. All welcome.



Shakespeare: A Catholic Perspective

Explore the Bard's plays in this weekly webinar series titled Shakespeare: A Catholic Perspective. The sessions look at six of his best-known works, with insights on human nature from St Thomas Aquinas. The series is organised by the Archdiocesan Catechetics Commission and continues this Monday 4 October at 7:30pm. Register at bit.ly/ShakespeareWebinar

Fr Patrick Harrigan – 'New Posting'

Fr Patrick was a seminarian with us 5 years ago on placement, since his Ordination in 2019 he has been in Stirling Parish. Now he has chosen to be incardinated into the Diocese of Hallam, England, where his elderly mum lives. We wish him every blessing for the future.

Scottish Catholic Magazine

The Scottish Catholic Magazine will launch on Friday 15th October, and will be in parishes that weekend. It will come out every 2 weeks and priced at £2 an edition but the first one is free to let you have a look at what they are about. Any advertising you wish to put in the magazine email – mary.scottishcatholic@gmail.com to discuss.

Saints Days in the coming 2 weeks:

Friday 15th October – St Teresa of Avila – Virgin and Doctor of the Church. 16th Century Spain. Reformed the Carmelite Order and wrote much on prayer and the spiritual life.

Monday 18th October – Feast of St Luke – Apostle & Martyr – Former Physician, great evangelist and Gospel writer. Accompanied St Paul to Rome, was possibly martyred in Greece.

The Teaching of the Catechism – Para 85-87

Who is the Head of the Catholic Church?

- The Head of the Catholic Church is Jesus Christ
- The Church has a visible Head on earth – the Bishop of Rome, who is the Vicar (Senior) of Christ
- Why? – because he is the successor of St Peter, whom Christ appointed to be Head of the Church on earth.

Last week's Quiz Answers

1. Who played the long-suffering husband in the T.V series, 'Keeping Up Appearances'? **Clive Swift**
2. Who won the 100th Scottish Cup final in 1985? **Celtic FC**
3. Who is in Greek Mythology the God of love? **Aphrodite**

Next week's Quick Quiz

1. What does the Hebrew word 'Amen' mean?
2. What does the Latin 'annus mirabilis' mean?
3. How many shillings in a Guinea?



September Collections/Building Fund – Broxburn: Col: £3014.30 BF: £772.50

Winchburgh: Coll: £1450.50 BF: £ 929.00

Next Week's Readings 17th October – First Reading: Is 53:10-11 **Psalm:** Ps 32 **Second Reading:** Heb 4:14-16 **Gospel:** Mark 10:35-45

Readings for 24th October – First Reading: Jer 31:7-9 **Psalm:** Ps 125 **2nd Reading:** Heb 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

PLEASE NOTE - This is a 2-week Newsletter. The next Newsletter will be on Sunday 24th October.

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