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VII WORLD DAY OF THE POOR
 19 November 2023

33rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – SUNDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2023

Sunday 19 th November	<u>BROXBURN</u> 9.30am Mass Gerald Boylan 5pm Mass People of the Parish	<u>WINCHBURGH</u> 11.30 am Mass Linda D'Alton	<u>Liturgical Calendar</u> 33 rd Sunday of the Year World Day of the Poor
Monday 20 th November	9.30am Mass Bernard Boyle	No Mass	
Tuesday 21 st November	No Mass 5.30pm Reception 7-8pm Eucharistic Adoration & Prayers for Peace	9.30am Mass Margaret Hill Av	Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday 22 nd November	9.30 am Requiem Mass James Curran	No Mass	Memorial of St Cecilia
Thursday 23 rd November	No Mass	No Mass	
Friday 24 th November	9am Rosary 9.30am Mass Special Intention	No Mass	Memorial of St Andrew Dung Lac & Companions
Saturday 25 th November	5.30pm Vigil Mass Annie & George Linton	9.30am Mass Alan Russell Av	
Sunday 26 th November	9.30am Mass Charlie Farrell Av 5pm Mass People of the Parish	11.30 am Mass Derrick Brown Av	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Upcoming Funerals

James Curran Funeral Wednesday 22nd November at 9.30am in St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church, thereafter to Loaninghill Cemetery. Reception on Tuesday 21st November at 5.30pm.

Patricia Armstrong (mother of Lesley) Funeral Thursday 23rd November, 12pm, St Mary & St David Hawick.

Richard Curran's Funeral is on Tuesday 28th November at 11am in St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church, Broxburn thereafter to Loaninghill Cemetery.

Please keep their family and friends in your prayers.



World Day of the Poor – Please note that our second collection this Sunday will go towards helping those in poverty. “In this house of ours, which is the world, everyone has a right to experience the light of charity; no one must be deprived of that light. May the steadfast love of Saint Therese stir our hearts on this World Day of the Poor, and help us not to “turn our face away from anyone who is poor”, but to keep it always focused on the human and divine face of Jesus Christ our Lord.” (Pope Francis)

Cemetery Service

Cemetery Sunday Services are on **Sunday 26th November** at the following cemeteries:

Winchburgh Cemetery – 12.30pm after Mass, Loaninghill Cemetery – 2pm, Uphall Cemetery – 2.30pm

Memorial Mass

Memorial Mass will be held on **Monday 27th November** at 6.30pm at St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church, Refreshments in the Canon Hoban Hall afterwards.

Education Consultation

We have been encouraged to respond to a government consultation about the sex education curriculum in Scottish schools. The bishops are concerned that the draft document contains no reference to Catholic schools. Please note, this does not mean the Church is at risk of losing the right to teach Catholic faith and values in its own schools. So, while this is an important matter, it will not affect our children’s experience of Catholic education. <https://archedinburgh.org/catholic-schools-deleted-from-sex-education-document/>

SVDP Middle East Appeal

The Appeal raised over £370 in Broxburn £144.00 in Winchburgh, the money is on its way to SVDP Scottish Head Office to be used immediately. Another very generous response from our Parishioners. Thank you.

PPC (Winchburgh)

We’ve had to move the date for the next meeting of the PPC, due to cancellations. I would like to reschedule for 28th November at 7pm. If members are available on this date, please let Fr John know on the WhatsApp group ASAP.

Christmas Meetings

This Sunday 19th November after 11.30am Mass in Winchburgh and after 5pm Mass in Broxburn could all those who help with the organising for Christmas stay to discuss arrangements with Fr John to help prepare for advent. Many thanks

RCIA

Please note our next meeting is on Tuesday 21st November at 6.30pm, in Broxburn Parish House.

Scouts News

We are starting a Squirrel Scout Section (hopefully on the 1st Dec this year). This is for 4/5 yrs. and is new for Young People in Scouting who are younger than the Beavers. Meeting on Fridays from 5:45-6:30pm in the hall. If you have children of that age (or older for the other sections) please contact Philip on 07785 525 466 or info@17thbroxburnscoutgroup.co.uk with child’s name, date of birth and your contact details.

Pensioners Post Christmas Lunch (Broxburn)

"Save the Date" for the Pensioners Post Christmas Lunch, with 3 course lunch and entertainment, on Sunday 28th January 2024 1-4pm in the Canon Hoban Hall.

Canon Hoban Hall -Over the next few weeks there is a plan to de clutter the band room to enable this space to be available for other groups as well as the band. If anyone wishes to discuss and or help, can they please contact Gordon.connolly@btinternet.com

Children’s Liturgy (Broxburn) - Just a little reminder of our November challenge - We encourage the children to pray for our faithful departed relatives and friends. Every time you pray the Our Father for the Holy Souls you can place a cardboard candle with their name on it on the Confessional wall. You can also pick one saint colouring sheet (in porch) to take home and colour, then bring it back to display in the Church.

Candles

Following a recent fire safety report, we will have to rethink how we use candles. Until now, we have left candles burning unattended while the church is closed. This is a **fire hazard**, unfortunately. Going forward, we have decided to replace the pillar candles with tea lights, which burn out much quicker. I know some of you will be disappointed about this; I hope I have explained the reason for it clearly enough. Pillar candles will still be available for purchase (to burn at home) at the stall.

Next Sunday Readings: 1R: Ez 34:11-12.15-17 RP: Ps 22 2R: 1 Cor 15:20-26.28 Gospel: Mt 25:31-46

Collections this week: Broxburn: £ 1192.00 Winchburgh: £369.00

Confessions Broxburn – Saturday 4.45pm, Sunday 5.45pm, Winchburgh – Saturday 10.00am