

# PARISHES OF ST JOHN CANTIUS AND ST NICHOLAS & ST PHILOMENA



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## 20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2025

| Sunday<br>17 <sup>th</sup> August    | <b>BROXBURN</b><br>9.30am Mass<br>Robert Little Av<br>5pm Mass<br>People of the Parish | <b>WINCHBURGH</b><br>11.30am Mass<br>Agnes Lavin Av | <i>Liturgical Calendar</i><br>20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year                    |
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| Monday<br>18 <sup>th</sup> August    | 9.15am Divine Mercy Chaplet<br>9.30 am Mass<br>Moyra McDonald                          | No Mass                                             |  |
| Tuesday<br>19 <sup>th</sup> August   | No Mass<br>7-8pm Adoration & prayers                                                   | 9.30 am Mass<br>Stephen McTiernan                   |                                                                                      |
| Wednesday<br>20 <sup>th</sup> August | 9.30am Mass<br>Marie Steele                                                            | No Mass                                             | Memorial of St Bernard                                                               |
| Thursday<br>21 <sup>st</sup> August  | No Mass                                                                                | 9.30am Mass<br>Kathleen Sweeney                     | Memorial of St Pius X                                                                |
| Friday<br>22 <sup>nd</sup> August    | 9.30am Mass<br>Bernard Boyle                                                           | No Mass                                             | Memorial of the<br>Queenship of the<br>Blessed Virgin Mary                           |
| Saturday<br>23 <sup>rd</sup> August  | 5.30pm Vigil Mass<br>Agnes Lavin Av                                                    | 9.30am Mass<br>Maureen McPake                       |                                                                                      |
| Sunday<br>24 <sup>th</sup> August    | 9.30am Mass<br>Grace Higgins<br>5pm Mass<br>People of the Parish                       | 11.30am Mass<br>Stephen McTiernan                   | 21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Year                                                  |

**Confessions:** Broxburn -Saturday 4.45pm, Sunday 5.45pm, Winchburgh – after Saturday 9.30am Mass

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August Readings** 1R: Is 66:18-21 RP: Ps 117 2R: Hb 12:5-7, 11-13 Gospel: Lk 13:22-30

### Upcoming Funerals

**Kathleen Rafferty's** Funeral will be held on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 9.30am** in St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church, thereafter to Loaninghill Cemetery. Reception of coffin will be received on the **Tuesday evening at 4.30pm**.

**Richard Strain** has recently passed away Funeral details to follow.

*Please keep their family and friends in your prayers.*



## Second Collection

This Sunday 17 August we have a special collection to support **African Missions & Holy Places**. This is an annual collection that supports missionary work in Africa, including evangelisation, education, and healthcare initiatives. It also helps maintain Christian holy places in Jerusalem, which are important pilgrimage sites.

## Save the Date

We will celebrate the **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** of St Philomena's together with His Grace Archbishop Leo on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 11:30**. Don't miss this special occasion for our parish!



## Attention Altar Servers!

You are all welcome to an evening of 10-pin bowling + food at Deer Park Livingston on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August at 5pm. Think of it as a "thank you" for all your hard work during the year.

## Baptism

Congratulations to Sadie Paterson who will be baptised this weekend, may God bless you on this special day and every day following.

## Baptism Classes

Please note the next Baptism preparation class is on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm for anyone looking to get their child baptised you must attend this class first. The last class for this year will be on the 24<sup>th</sup> November. Please get in touch with the office for further details and to book onto a class.

## Carfin Pilgrimage (Winchburgh)

Last chance this weekend to sign up for our centenary pilgrimage on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August** to Carfin. The bus will be leaving at 9.30am from Winchburgh, and leaving Carfin at 2.30pm. We will celebrate Mass and visit the reliquary. If you'd like to sign up, write your name on the sheet at the back of the church. Bus £10 per person. Kids free. (Tea and coffee available, bring packed lunch).

## Youth group Pilgrims

You will find on our website under parish bulletin, information on Fr John and our young pilgrim's trip.

## Money Counters (Urgent)

We are short on Money Counters at the moment in Winchburgh, if you can help once a month after Mass to count the Sunday collection, please let Fr John/Paul know, this will take no longer than 30 mins.

## Back to school

Our children returned to school on Wednesday. We wish them every blessing for the year to come. Of course, we also remember our teachers and support staff. May God strengthen and sustain them during the year ahead.



## Hospital

Please note that if you are in need of a priest in an emergency at St John's Hospital, please ask the nursing staff to call the on-call priest and they will come out.

## Teas & coffees

Our Teas and coffees are back this Sunday in Broxburn parish hall, please come along and join us with some delicious home baking too. Winchburgh Mary's Meal's ladies will also be serving teas and coffees, please come along to the hall after morning mass and support us raise funds for children in Africa.

## Carlo Acutis relics

The relics of Carlo Acutis visit the Archdiocese from 13-15 September 2025, by which time he will be a saint of the Church! Schedule: Sat 13 Sep - 6:00pm Vigil Mass (Cathedral open until 8:00pm for veneration); Sun 14 Sep - Midday Mass; Mon 15 Sep - 12:45pm Mass for Schools.

## Season of Creation Conference

The Bishops' Office for Care of Creation invites you to its National Season of Creation Conference on Saturday 6 September 2025 in St. Margaret's, Raploch, 10:00am – 3:00pm. Special guest is Lorna Gold, the Executive Director of the global Laudato Si Movement. Registration and details at [www.bcos.org.uk/scc25](http://www.bcos.org.uk/scc25)

**Broxburn Cleaning Rota: Group 1:** 18<sup>th</sup> August **Group 2:** 1<sup>st</sup> September **Group 3:** 15<sup>th</sup> September

**Group 4:** 29<sup>th</sup> September **Group 5:** 13<sup>th</sup> October



**Broxburn:** £1189.00 **Winchburgh:** £460.00 thank you for your generosity! If you do not have cash and would like to donate to the Church, see the posters in the porch on the noticeboard for the QR Code to give to our weekly collection

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