PARISHES OF ST JOHN CANTIUS AND ST NICHOLAS & ST PHILOMENA

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26th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - SUNDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2025

Sunday	BROXBURN	<u>WINCHBURGH</u>	Liturgical Calendar
28 th	9.30am Mass	11.30am Mass	
September	Mary & Michael McKeon	Aidin Dobie	26 th Sunday of the Year
	5pm Mass		
	People of the Parish		
Monday	9.15am Divine Mercy Chaplet	No Mass	Feast of SS Michael,
29 th	9.30 am Mass		Gabriel & Raphael
September	Dominique McClafferty		
Tuesday	7-8pm Adoration & prayers	9.30am Mass	Memorial of St Jerome
30 th		Richard Strain	
September			
Wednesday	9.30am Mass	No Mass	Memorial of St Therese
1 st October	Mary Forsyth		of the Child Jesus
	6.00pm Mass		
	Angela Garza		
Thursday	No Mass	9.30am Mass	Memorial of The Holy
2 nd October		Jim McCabe	Guardian Angels
Friday	9.30am Mass	No Mass	
3 rd October	Rosemarie Potter		
Saturday	11am Blessing of Pets	9.30am Mass	Feast of St Francis of
4 th October		Stephen McTiernan	Assisi
	5.30pm Vigil Mass	12 noon Blessing of Pets	
	Sarah Clarke		
Sunday	9.30am Mass	11.30am Mass	
5 th October	John Cavanagh Av	Special Intention	27 th Sunday of the Year
	5pm Mass		
	People of the Parish		

<u>Confessions:</u> Broxburn -Saturday 4.45pm, Sunday 5.45pm, Winchburgh – after Saturday 9.30am Mass <u>Sun 5th October Readings 1R:</u> Hab 1:2-3;2:2-4 RP: Ps 95 2R: 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 Gospel: Lk 17:5-10



<u>Collection</u> - Broxburn: £ 1595.00 Winchburgh: £625.00 Thank you for your generosity

Monday Evening - Adult Faith Formation

On Monday evening, renowned Catholic scholar Fr Paul Henderson will open our series of three talks on the Mass (okay maybe hyping him up a bit there). Time for discussion afterwards. We look forward to seeing you there! Tea/coffee available. 7- 8pm.

Blessing of Pets

On Saturday 4th October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, we'd like to offer a blessing for your pets! This will take place at 11am in Broxburn and 12pm in Winchburgh, outside the main church doors. (Obviously, keep the dogs and cats apart...)

Mass for the Sick

There will be special Mass for the sick at 2pm on Saturday 11th October at St Philomena's. If you would like to attend but don't have anyone to get you there and back, get in touch and we'll try our best to assist. Includes option to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

RCIA – Candidates for Baptism and Reception into the Catholic Church

Start date **Tuesday 7th October**, **6:30pm**. This is for people who are looking to learn more about the Catholic faith, perhaps with a view to being baptised and/or confirmed at Easter 2026. If you are interested, please contact the office to register. If you're not sure, don't worry, there's no commitment (not yet, at least!)

Youth Group

Junior Youth Group is on this Sunday we will be playing Bingo and making crafts, so come along and join us. Entry is £2.00, includes tuckshop. 6-7.30pm.

Catholic Men's Advent Retreat to Nunraw Abbey

2 nights, Friday 5th & Saturday 6th December into Sunday returning after morning Mass. Modern, comfortable accommodation, good food. Cost is £45 per night including breakfast. Please email Deacon Douglas using DeaconDouglas.Robertson@staned.org.uk to indicate your interest.

St Pier Giorgio Frassati book tour

A book tour to celebrate the recent canonisation and the publication of 15 Days of Prayer with St Pier Giorgio Frassati (New City Press, 2025), visits St Albert's Chaplaincy, 24 George Square, Edinburgh. EH8 9LD, on Friday 17 October, 5:15pm. Free event, all welcome.

Catholic Conversations for Women

Women who are recent converts, those considering Catholicism, and those simply looking for faith-focused discussion are welcome to this event on Saturday, 25 October, 3:45pm-4:45pm in the St Andrew's Parish rooms (77 Belford Rd, EH4 3DS). All welcome to join for Holy Hour with Adoration and chanted Vespers from 5:10pm in the convent with the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma. Email edinburgh@almamercy.org or call 0131 343 3380.

Venerable Margaret Sinclair event

Commemorate the centenary of the death of Venerable Margaret Sinclair on Saturday 22 November 2025 by meeting at her former grave in Mount Vernon Cemetery, Edinburgh, at 9:00am to pray the Rosary. This will be followed by a walk to her tomb at St Patrick's in The Cowgate. Benediction at 12:15pm followed by Holy Mass at 12:30pm. A Centenary Mass will be offered at the Sacred Heart Altar, in St Patrick's on Monday 24 November at 5:45pm.

National Family Conference

The National Family Conference takes place on Saturday 25 October 2025, from 10:00am to 5:00pm at St Bride's Centre, Coursington Road, Motherwell, ML1PP, Featuring speaker Chris Stefanick (live from the USA), the event celebrates marriage and family life with talks, prayer, and community. Book your place at https://www.bcos.org.uk/NFC25 or by email at VEmarriage@staned.org.uk

Safeguarding event

The National Safeguarding Conference takes place at the University of Strathclyde Technology & Innovation Centre on Saturday 8 November at 10:00am. For more details and to register visit http://bit.ly/4lZwir
A Word of Thanks -
Many thanks to Stephen Neilson for using his DIY skills to paint the railings, varnish the front door and sand/paint the benches at the entrance to the church (Broxburn). Great work sir!

Foodbank supplies needed

These are the emergency items that they require – Dry rice, instant Mash potatoes, sponge pudding, spreads (jam, chocolate), tinned cold meat, toilet roll, vegetable stock cubes, washing up liquid, male deodorant, shower gel, wet cat & dog food. If you are able to give a donation please leave at the back of the church and we will pass onto the local foodbank.