

PARISHES OF ST JOHN CANTIUS AND ST NICHOLAS & ST PHILOMENA



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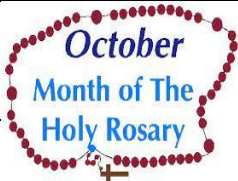


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27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - SUNDAY 5th OCTOBER 2025

Sunday 5 th October	BROXBURN 9.30am Mass John Cavanagh Av 5pm Mass People of the Parish	WINCHBURGH 11.30am Mass Special Intention	<u>Liturgical Calendar</u> 27 th Sunday of the Year
Monday 6 th October	9.15am Divine Mercy Chaplet 9.30 am Mass Monica & Bridget Boyle	No Mass	
Tuesday 7 th October	7-8pm Adoration & prayers	9.30am Mass Stephen McTiernan	Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary
Wednesday 8 th October	9.30am Mass Agnes Kane Av 6.00pm Mass Dominic Dunnigan Av	No Mass	
Thursday 9 th October	No Mass	9.30am Mass Jim McCabe	
Friday 10 th October	9.30am Mass Eleanor Greenan Av	No Mass	
Saturday 11 th October	5.30pm Vigil Mass Angela Garza	2pm Mass for the Sick	
Sunday 12 th October	9.30am Mass Niall Sweeney Av 5pm Mass People of the Parish	11.30am Mass Mary Forsyth	28 th Sunday of the Year

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

Sun 12th October Readings 1R: 2 Kgs 5:14-17 RP: Ps 98 2R: 2 Tm 2:8-13 Gospel: Lk 17:11-19



Collection - Broxburn: £778.00 **Building Fund:** £97.00

Winchburgh: £328.00 **Centenary Fund** running total £13,575.00

Thank you for your generosity!

October 7th Prayers for Peace

Catholics in Scotland are being encouraged to say a prayer and light a candle for peace on Tuesday 7th October. In a pastoral letter, Bishop John Keenan writes: "Our world today is troubled by so many wars and conflicts; it is appropriate that we as Catholics pray individually and together on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary for the Holy Land, Gaza and Israel."

Centenary Fund (St Philomena's)

We have got off to a great start with our fundraising efforts, so well done all! But plenty still to do. Jacqui has made a poster setting out the architect's vision and next week we will (hopefully) have a "fundraising thermometer" to track key fundraising milestones.



Second Collections (Broxburn)

After a trial period of baskets at the back of the church, we will revert to the previous practice of passing round the baskets after holy Communion. Contributions had gone down and, as you'll probably be aware, there's a lot of work being done (and still to be done) to keep the property in good condition.

Mini-Series on the Mass

Deacon Douglas has a hard act to follow after Fr Paul's excellent input last Monday, but we have faith in our parish deacon! Come along 7-8pm for an interesting & educative evening. Refreshments available.

Mass for the Sick

There will be special Mass for the sick at 2pm on Saturday 11th October at St Philomena's. Includes option to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. The 9.30am Mass is not on for this week only. Confessions will be heard after the Mass of the sick if desired.

RCIA – Candidates for Baptism and Reception into the Catholic Church

Start date this coming **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. Please come along to the Broxburn Parish House if you are interested.

Office - Jacqui (parish secretary) is off from 7-9th October. Therefore, we ask for your patience and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Help with Website / Streaming (Winchburgh)

If you have any tech knowhow (very basic) and even a little bit of time to help develop our online presence, Fr John would be delighted to hear from you. Among other things, this will help our housebound parishioners engage with parish activities, especially the Mass.

Streaming

We have had long-term issues with our Streaming system in Broxburn, but we have had it serviced and it is now running properly. In Winchburgh, we will soon be able to stream Sunday Masses again (we will let you know the date. You need to log onto YouTube and search for 'Broxburn and Winchburgh parishes' to watch our Masses. (Please also note: watching Mass at home is NOT the equivalent of actually attending Mass. It does NOT satisfy the Sunday obligation. It is intended as an option for those unable to attend.)

St Philomena's Centenary Silent Auction Fundraiser

We plan to hold a Silent Auction on **Friday 21st November**. During October, we are asking the parish (Broxburn too please!) to donate good quality items to auction. Please ask family and friends to support this effort. It's a great opportunity for a de-clutter! If you have a business, we would also welcome vouchers from your business. All donations to Julie, Theresa or Margaret, throughout October. Thank you so much for your support.

The Scout Group (Broxburn)

The Scout Group are doing the Teas and Coffees this Sunday (5th October) after the Family Mass; we look forward to seeing you there to enjoy some home cooking and company.



SPUC's Candlelight Procession

On Thursday 30th October, SPUC's Candlelight Procession will leave John Street at Glasgow City Chambers at 6:30pm, heading toward St Andrew's Cathedral. There will then be the praying of the Rosary in the Cathedral at 7pm, followed by Mass at 7:30pm.

Calling all RCIA leaders

RCIA leaders are invited by the Catechetics Commission for a morning workshop. The day will include Mass, spotlights on two programmes: St Teresa's, East Calder & Sacred Heart, Edinburgh, and tips for best-utilising technology and the internet. Date: Saturday 11 October 2025 9:15pm – 12:00pm Location: The Gillis Centre 100 Strathearn Rd EH9 1BB. Register at bit.ly/rcialeaders