

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



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## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2026

Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>BROXBURN</b> 9.30am Mass Richard Simpson Av 5pm Mass People of the Parish	<b>WINCHBURGH</b> 11.30am Mass Patrick Storie	<i>Liturgical Calendar</i>  <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>9.30am Mass</b> Edward McLaughlin Av	<b>No Mass</b>	<i>Memorial of St Timothy &amp; St Titus</i>
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>No Mass</b>  <b>7-8pm Adoration &amp; prayers</b>	<b>9.30am Mass</b> Jerry Cannon Av	
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>9.30am Mass</b> Owen Wheelan	<b>No Mass</b>	<i>Memorial of St Thomas Aquinas</i>
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>9.30am Mass</b> John Flynn	
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>9.30am Mass</b> James Watson & Carol Gallagher Av	<b>No Mass</b>	
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	<b>5.30pm Vigil Mass</b> Susan Jones Av	<b>9.30am Mass</b> Terry Philbin	<i>Memorial of St John Bosco</i>
<b>Sunday</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>9.30am Mass</b> Bridget Boyle Av <b>5pm Mass</b> People of the Parish	<b>11.30am Mass</b> Deceased members of the Finnigan Family	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>

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

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February Readings** 1R: Zeph 2:3; 3:12-13 RP: Ps 146 2R: 1 Cor 1:26-31 Gospel: Mt 5:1-12a

### Upcoming Funerals

**Daniel McGonagle's** Funeral Service will be held on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 11am** in St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church, thereafter to Ratho Cemetery.

**Patricia Redmond's** Funeral Mass will be held on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 9.30am** in St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church, thereafter to Loaninghill Cemetery. Reception on Thursday evening at 4.30pm.

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

## **Sacramental Programme**

**The Rite of Illumination** is at the Masses this Sunday morning for our **Primary 3** children making their First Confession. If you don't have a Baptism candle please go to the sacristy and we can give you one.



### **Confirmation parents' meetings**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January** – Primary 7 St Nicholas School, Canon Hoban Hall, Broxburn, 6.30pm.

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** – Primary 7 Holy Family School, St Philomena's Church, Winchburgh, 6.30pm.

### **Baptism**

Congratulations to Marcel Wojcik who will be baptised this Sunday, may God bless you on your special day and every day that follows.

### **Adult Faith Formation**

Following last year's mini-series on the Mass, we'd like to offer monthly (roughly) one-off events looking at different aspects of the faith. The idea is (roughly) 30 mins input followed by 30 mins discussion. This time, Fr John will address the topic of "Gospel Truth: Harmonizing the Biblical Accounts of Jesus's Life, Death and Resurrection". Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 7-8pm in the Canon Hoban Hall. All welcome!

### **Pope Francis Faith Award Coordinator - Broxburn**

Louise Kearney has kindly agreed to take on the role of parish co-ordinator for our P6&7 children doing the Pope Francis Faith Award through the school. If you don't know what that is, it's an award program for upper primary school children where they put their faith into action in various settings. If you have children in P6 or 7, look out for Louise on the way into Mass each week and maybe have a chat about how they can get involved in the parish. If you are interested in this role at Winchburgh, please let Fr John or Fr Paul know!

### **Lost property - Winchburgh**

In Winchburgh, someone has handed in a wedding band ring which was found at the back of the church. Also found outside the door of the church we have a turtle keepsake in a small mesh bag. If these belong to you please call the office or speak to one of the priests.

### **Quiz Night - Classrooms for Malawi build project for a Marys Meal school**

Come along to our quiz night, Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 7pm in the Canon Hoban Hall. £10 per adult, £5 for kids (includes bingo card). Feel free to bring a snack or nibbles (no buffet). Raffle tickets on sale after Mass.

### **SSVP Post Christmas Lunch**

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February 1-4pm. We will serve a 3 Course Meal with some entertainment; our hall bar will be open. The sign-up sheet is located at SSVP Notice Board in Porch. Look forward to your company!

### **Valentine's Day afternoon retreat**

This Valentine's Day (Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February) couples are invited to join the Archdiocese's afternoon retreat reflecting on the Gift of Marriage. It takes place 2pm-5pm at St Kentigern's Church, 26-28 Parkgrove Avenue, Edinburgh, EH4 7QR and is led by renowned Scottish Catholic playwright Stephen Callaghan and wife Rachel. Details and registration at [bit.ly/archretreat26](http://bit.ly/archretreat26)



### **Catechists for Special Needs**

SPRED (Special Religious Development) groups need more catechists! Your role will be sharing faith with adults with special needs at fortnightly term-time meetings. Catechists are trained by the Archdiocese and meet fortnightly for preparatory sessions. Interested? Contact Sr Mary Benedicta Maier RSM, SPRED Coordinator, at [smary.benedicta@staned.org.uk](mailto:smary.benedicta@staned.org.uk) to serve.

If you are interested in your child or adult son or daughter participating in SPRED, Sr Mary Benedicta Maier RSM, SPRED Co-ordinator, would love to hear from you at [smary.benedicta@staned.org.uk](mailto:smary.benedicta@staned.org.uk).

### **Catholic Conversations for Women**

All women are welcome to this event with the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma on Saturday 31 January, 3:45pm-4:45pm in St Andrew's Parish rooms (77 Belford Rd, Edinburgh, EH4 3DS) for refreshments and faith-focused discussion on preparing for Lent. A Holy Hour will follow with Adoration & Vespers from 5:10pm. Register at [edinburgh@almamercy.org](mailto:edinburgh@almamercy.org) or call 0131 343 3380.

### **Remembering Service**

A prayer service those who have suffered the loss of a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, together with those who wish to come in love and support. Ecumenical and open to all. Sunday 22 February at 5.00pm in St John the Baptist Church, Corstorphine, 37 St Ninian's Road, Edinburgh, EH12 8AL.

**Collections: Broxburn: £833.00 Special collection: £ 348.00 Winchburgh: £254.00 Special collection: £159**