

PARISHES OF ST JOHN CANTIUS AND ST NICHOLAS & ST PHILOMENA



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2nd SUNDAY OF LENT – SUNDAY 1st MARCH 2026

Sunday 1 st March	BROXBURN 9.30am Mass Sarah Sweeney 5pm Mass People of the Parish	WINCHBURGH 11.30am Mass Catherine Callaghan Av	<u>Liturgical Calendar</u> SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 
Monday 2 nd March	9.30am Mass Mary Mackie	No Mass	2 nd Week of Lent
Tuesday 3 rd March	7am Mass McGrath Family 7-8pm Adoration & prayers	9.30am Mass Iain Fairbairn	
Wednesday 4 th March	9.30am Mass Billy McGinlay	No Mass	
Thursday 5 th March	No Mass	9.30am Mass Mass of Thanksgiving	
Friday 6 th March	9.30am Mass Bridget Sweeney Av 6.30pm Stations of the Cross	No Mass 6.30pm Stations of the Cross	 STATIONS of the CROSS
Saturday 7 th March	5.30pm Vigil Mass James Lavin Av	9.30am Mass John Hill	
Sunday 8 th March	9.30am Mass Lily Byrne 5pm Mass People of the Parish	11.30am Mass James McFarlane	3 rd Sunday of Lent

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

Sunday 8th March Readings 1R: Ex 17:3-7 RP: Ps 95 2R: Rom 5:1-2,5-8 Gospel: Jn 4:5-42

Collections: Broxburn: £1007.00 Building Fund: £358.00 Winchburgh: £286.00 Centenary Fund: £222.00

Presentation of the Our Father

We welcome our Primary 4 **Holy Communion** candidates this weekend at the Sunday morning Masses.

Altar Server Training

Could the Altar Servers please stay after the Sunday morning Masses for training. Please could Kathleen and Sandra be present. Many thanks.

Come say your Goodbyes to Fr Paul

As you know, Fr Paul will soon be heading off into the sunset like John Wayne... but before he does, we'd like to say goodbye. Come along after Mass on Sunday 15th March, Broxburn & Winchburgh. That'll be our official "so long, farewell, auf wiedersehen, adieu".

Monday Evening Faith Talk/Discussion

Fr Paul's talk was due to happen on Monday 2nd but has been rescheduled to Monday 9th March, 7-8pm, at the Canon Hoban Hall. Fr Paul will be looking at paintings of the crucifixion and helping us interpret them.

Canon John's 65th Anniversary

- At Canon John's request and as an anniversary gift, we'll be collecting for Marys Meals on 7/8th March. Both parishes.
- Please could you put your name down on the sheet at the back of the church and let us know how many are attending, so that we have numbers for catering.

Gift Aid Envelopes

The new Gift Aid envelopes have arrived. Stephen will be in the porch before & after Mass on 28th Feb and 1st March. They can be collected from him. Thereafter, the envelopes can be collected from the office. Vivienne will distribute the Winchburgh envelopes on the 22nd March.

Gift Aid

I would once again ask all of you who are taxpayers to seriously consider "gift aiding" your offerings. The Church can claim back 25p in every £ from HMRC. The amount you donate is **confidential** and there is no obligation to put the same amount in the collection every week or to contribute weekly, e.g. if you are away on holiday. Any offering made this way greatly benefits the parish at no extra cost to you. Tax can also be recovered on donations made in the second collection. Just use one of the brown envelopes that are in the porch, writing your gift aid number on the envelope. If you prefer to contribute via BACS/DD/SO please add BF after your name when you make payment (eg) J Smith BF

Wee Boxes

Remember and pick up your wee boxes in aid of SCIAF these are available in the parish porch.

World Day of Prayer

This will take place in **Winchburgh** - St Philomena's Church on Friday 6th March at 2pm with tea afterwards and **Broxburn** - Broxburn Parish Church at 2pm. Please come along and join us! This is open to everyone.

Canon Hoban Hall Key Holders

Due to a safety and security review of our key holders. If you have hall keys, could you please get in touch with Stephen Neilson on Stephen.neilson@staned.org.uk or speak to the church office.

Assisted Suicide final vote

This is our last chance to help stop assisted suicide in Scotland and protect vulnerable people. Email your MSPs today: visit carenokilling.scot and enter your postcode to find contact details for your local MSP.

What's Happening at Mass

This Lent, explore what God is doing at Mass. Speakers include Archbishop Leo, Fr Jamie McMorrin, Grace Robertson, Fr Kevin Douglas and Fr Andrew Garden. Also includes Mass and light lunch. The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, Date: Saturday 14 March 9:30am. Register: bit.ly/archmass

Parish Appealers

Aid to the Church in Need is looking to recruit two Parish Appealers in Edinburgh. You will represent the Charity by speaking at Masses about persecuted Christians around the world. Appealers will receive £250 per weekend and be given full training/support. To apply or learn more, please contact scotland@acnuk.org

Get funding for your Catholic project

The Columba Trust provides funding to organisations and individuals for projects which support the practice of the Roman Catholic faith, its ministry and values. The deadline for applications is 30 June 2026. Further details about the Trust and how to apply for a grant can be found at <https://columbatrust.org.uk/>

For all bookings and events for 2026 please contact -