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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD – SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2026

Sunday 29th March	<u>BROXBURN</u> 9.30am Mass Doherty Family (Belfast) 5pm Mass People of the Parish	<u>WINCHBURGH</u> 11.30am Mass Jim McCabe Jnr Av	<u>Liturgical Calendar</u>
Monday 30 th March	9.30am Mass David Hamilton 1st Av	No Mass	
Tuesday 31 st March	7am Mass Lilian Weir 7-8pm Adoration & prayers	9.30am Mass In thanksgiving	
Wednesday 1 st April	9.30am Mass Deceased members of the Fairley Family	No Mass	
Thursday of the Lords Supper 2nd April	7pm Mass Violet McCourt Av 10pm Night Prayer	7pm Mass Special intention 10pm Night Prayer	
Friday of the Passion of the Lord 3rd April	3pm Passion of our Lord 6.30pm Stations of the Cross	3pm Passion of our Lord 6.30pm Stations of the Cross	GOOD FRIDAY 
Holy Saturday 4th April	8pm Vigil Mass Joyce Boyle	6.30pm Vigil Mass James Lavin	Easter Sunday He Is Risen 
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord 5th April	10am Mass Bessie Cavanagh Av 	10am Mass Sarah Sweeney	

Easter Sunday 5th April Readings: 1R: Acts 10:34a, 37-43 RP: Ps 118 2R: Col 3:1-4 Gospel: Jn 20:1-9

Upcoming Funerals

Mark Wyllie's Funeral will take place on **Wednesday 8th April at 9.30am** in St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church, thereafter to West Lothian Crematorium. *Please keep the family in your prayers.*

Washing of the Feet

If you are taking part of the washing of the feet, could you please bring a small hand towel to dry your feet afterwards, many thanks.

Please note changes to the Timetable

- Easter Sunday Mass in both parishes will be at **10am**, please note the change
- There will be **NO** Thursday 9.30am Mass, Saturday 9.30am Mass, and Sunday 5pm Mass over the Easter Triduum
- Night prayer 10pm Holy Thursday
- Stations of the Cross 6:30pm Good Friday
- No Confession this weekend back to normal next week
- No Teas and coffees after the morning Masses this Easter Sunday

Housebound Visits

There will be no housebound visits this Friday, back to normal next week.

Divine Mercy Novena and Divine Mercy Sunday (12th April)

I encourage everyone to pray the novena to Divine Mercy over the nine days preceding Divine Mercy Sunday. It begins on Good Friday. If you don't know how to do this, it's easy to look up online. Or ask one of the priests. As usual, there will be a 3pm service on the Sunday after Easter (Broxburn), in accordance with the wishes of Jesus as expressed to St Faustina Kowalska. All welcome.

St Michael Prayer

I'd like to invite people to join me in saying the traditional Prayer to St Michael at the end of Masses. Some copies of the prayer have been left at the back of the church, if you need the words. This seems like a very suitable response to some of the tensions in the world at the moment. We need the protection and prayers of the holy angels more than ever!

Canon Hoban Hall

Zumba Class starting on the 15th April at 5.45-6.40pm all fitness levels, ages, and abilities welcome, class is £6 book - <https://gymcatch.com/app/provider/3010> Please wear breathable clothing, trainers+bring water.

Commemorative Plates Cups (Broxburn)

Whilst we have been having our spring clean we have come across plates that were produced to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the parish in 2012. There are a fair number of them left, so, if you would like one, you can pick one up and – if you can – make a donation.

Chrism Mass

Clergy from across the Archdiocese will gather for the Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh this Tuesday (31 March) at 7.00pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to support our priests. All welcome.

Mass for Married Couples

If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, the Archbishop would be delighted to invite you to a special Mass for married couples at the Cathedral on 19th June. If that is something you'd like, contact the parish office with your details. We'll send them on to the diocese and you will receive a personal invitation.

Volunteer to support the SPRED Livingston group

West Lothian's SPRED (Special Religious Development) group for adults aged 21+ meets on Tuesday evenings at the Lanthorn Community Centre in Livingston. The spiritual programme for adults with special needs fosters communion with Jesus Christ within the Catholic community of faith. Interested in becoming a SPRED volunteer catechist or seeing if your adult child would like to join the group? Please contact Sister Mary Benedicta Maier, RSM, at srmary.benedicta@staned.org.uk

Lourdes summer pilgrimage

There are some spaces available on the Archdiocesan Summer Pilgrimage to Lourdes for supported pilgrims and their carers, as well as nurses. Supported pilgrims are those who are ill, disabled or infirm, and they will fly out with the Archdiocese from Edinburgh and stay in the Saint Frai supported accommodation. Please email enquiries@edinburgh-lourdes.com. Contact Tangney Tours to be placed on a waiting list or to ask about alternative travel arrangements. Visit <https://www.tangney-tours.com/>

Collections: Broxburn: £1090 Building Fund: £316 Winchburgh: £482.35 Centenary Fund: £133.00