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4th SUNDAY OF EASTER – SUNDAY 26th APRIL 2026

Sunday 26 th April	BROXBURN 9.30am Mass Gerard Devenney (Brother) 5pm Mass People of the parish	WINCHBURGH 11.30am Mass The deceased members of the Cannon Family	<i>Liturgical Calendar</i> 
Monday 27 th April	9.30am Mass Joyce Boyle	No Mass	
Tuesday 28 th April	No Mass	9.30am Mass Mark Wyllie	
Wednesday 29 th April	9.30am Mass Fr Gerry Prior	No Mass	<i>St Catherine of Siena</i>
Thursday 30 th April	No Mass	9.30am Mass	
Friday 1 st May	9.30am Mass Jean & Bernard Rafferty	11am Mass Joseph Sinnet	<i>St Joseph the Worker</i>
Saturday 2 nd May	5.30pm Vigil Mass Packie McCole	9:30am Mass	<i>St Athanasius</i>
Sunday 3rd May	9.30am Mass Joseph Mooney 5pm Mass People of the Parish	11.30am Mass Villanueva Cuellar Family	<i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>

Sunday 26th April Readings: 1R: Acts 2:14, 22b-33 **RP:** Ps 16 **2R:** 1 Pt 1:17-21 **Gospel:** Lk 24:13-35

Sacramental Programme

Presentation of the Gospel – This Sunday we will present our confirmation children with St Matthew's Gospel at the morning Masses 9.30/11.30am.

First Holy Communion – St Philomena's Church – **Saturday 23rd May at 11am,**

St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church – **Saturday 30th May at 10am.**

Confirmations – St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church on **Saturday 6th June at 11am**

Gillis Centre Sale

The Archdiocese has announced that the Gillis Centre, which has long served as an administrative home, will be placed on the market for sale later this year. This follows a long process of review and time to reflect and discern how best to support the mission and future needs of the Archdiocese. The Curia team will move to new premises in due course. Further info available in the 'news' section of the diocesan website.

Volunteers

We're always happy to hear from those who wish to help out in the parish in whatever capacity. Don't worry about "stepping on other people's toes" – let Fr John worry about that! Just have a word with him or email the office. Things to consider would include: children's liturgy, reading at Masses, music/singing, bringing Holy Communion to the sick, church cleaning, money counting, hall/social committee, St Vincent de Paul, altar serving, teas/coffees/hospitality after Sunday Mass... or you might even think about things we don't have yet, like a bereavement support group or sacramental preparation for children outside the Catholic school system. (And the Broxburn Hall Committee still needs a Treasurer.)

Office

Jacqui will be on holiday Tue 21st April – Wed 30th April. Parish admin may be a bit slower at this time.

Addition to Timetable

Please note that there will be an additional Mass on Friday at 11am this week at Winchburgh, which will be offered for the recently-deceased Joseph Sinnet. May he rest in peace.

Adult Faith Formation

Continuing our (roughly) monthly Adult Faith Formation events, Deacon Douglas will present on the Divine Office – the prayer prayed daily by deacons, priests and religious throughout the world. The Office can be prayed by anyone, though perhaps not many would know where to begin. To find out more, come along on 18th May, 7pm at the Canon Hoban (Lesser) Hall.

Baptism

Congratulations to Renee & Priya Mulcahy who will be baptised this Sunday at Broxburn. May God bless them on this special day. Please keep the girls and their family in your prayers today.

World Day of Prayer for vocations

World Day of Prayer for Vocations is this Sunday. Please pray especially for the seminarians of our own Archdiocese. A second collection will take place for Ecclesiastical Students at all Masses on Sunday, which helps cover tuition fees and living costs for our seminarians. You can also donate at bit.ly/eccstudents25

St Catherine's Convent

Thank you for the fantastic response to our recent appeal for towels and cereal bars for the homeless. They have been delivered by the SSVP and the nuns were extremely grateful. They give out anything between 20-30 towels per day and provide meals twice a day. Thank you!

Unveiling and Blessing of the Refurbished Canon Hoban Hall Kitchen

The Hall Committee warmly invites all parishioners to join us for the unveiling and blessing of the newly refurbished Canon Hoban Hall kitchen, including the unveiling of Mary Forsyth's commemorative plaque. This special moment will take place on Sunday 3rd May, immediately following the Sunday morning Mass. The blessing will be conducted by Fr John. Tea and coffee will be provided. All are most welcome

Marys's Meals

Please come along and join us on a Sunday after 11.30am Mass for teas and coffee and home baking in St Philomena's Hall. We are raising funds for our sponsored Marys Meals School, to help feed children in Malawi and any donation would be grateful. Thank you!

Tea Lights (Broxburn)

We're looking for donations of tea lights (for fire safety, only candles with 3-hour burn). Thanks in advance!

Foodbank (Broxburn)

Our local foodbank is in urgent need of the following: curry sauce, diluting juice, dry cat food, dry rice, instant mashed potatoes, male deodorant, shower gel, sponge pudding, spreads (chocolate/jam), tinned cold meat, toilet roll, veg stock cubes, washing up liquid, wet dog/cat food. Please give whatever you can and leave in the porch at the back of the Church. Thank you.

Stalls

Please support our Church Stalls, come and have a look for any Communion or Confirmation gifts and cards, we have lots to choose from. Open after Sunday Masses, except 5pm Broxburn.