PARISHES OF ST JOHN CANTIUS AND ST NICHOLAS & ST PHILOMENA



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32nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2026

Sunday 8th November	**BROXBURN** **9.30am Mass** Bill Forrester Av **5pm Mass** People of the Parish	**WINCHBURGH** **11.30am Mass** James, Ellen & Catherine Callaghan	***Liturgical Calendar*** ***32nd Sunday of the Year***
Monday 9th November	**10am Mass** Special Intention from Pat Devenney	**No Mass**	*Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*
Tuesday 10th November	**No Mass** **Adoration & Prayer 7pm**	**9.30am Mass** No intention	*Memorial of St Leo the Great*
Wednesday 11th November	**9.30am Requiem Mass** Alfred Nicoll	**No Mass**	*Memorial of St Martin of Tours*
Thursday 12th November	**No Mass**	**9.30am Mass** Roman & Andrzey Av	*Memorial of St Josaphat*
Friday 13th November	**9.30am Mass** Paul Gebal Av	**No Mass**	
Saturday 14th November	**5.30pm Vigil Mass** Bridie McGuire Av	**9.30am Mass** John Sweeney Av	
Sunday 15th November	**9.30am Mass** Mary (1st Av) & John Cavanagh **5pm Mass** People of the Parish	**11.30am Mass** John Philbin 1st Av	***33rd Sunday of the Year***

Confessions: Broxburn -Saturday 4.45pm, Sunday 5.45pm, **Winchburgh** -after Saturday morning Mass.

Sunday 15th November Readings: 1R: Pv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 **RP:** Ps 128
2R: 1 Thes 5:1-6 **Gospel:** Mt 25:14-30

Collections: Broxburn: Offertory: £ 816.00 H/F: £687.00 **Winchburgh:** Offertory: £329.00 C/F: £152.00
Thank you for your continued generosity!

Upcoming Funeral

The Late Alfred "Freddie" Nicoll's Requiem Mass will be held on **11th November at 9.30am** in St John Cantius & St Nicholas Church thereafter to Loaninghill Cemetery.

Please keep the family in your prayers at this time.

World Day of the Poor – Sunday 15 November

World Day of the Poor takes place on Sunday 15 November. This year, the Archdiocese is supporting the Care Van, run by Bethany Christian Trust and Edinburgh City Mission, which provides food, hot drinks and practical support to people experiencing homelessness and hardship in Edinburgh city centre. You can support this important work by making a donation online at bit.ly/dayforpoor.

Catholic Education Week - special collection

The annual special collection for Catholic Education week is on Sunday 22 November. Young people from our schools will lead the bidding prayers and at there will be an update from one of our Sinclair Academy pupils at the end of Masses.

Cemetery Sunday



Cemetery Sunday Services this Sunday 8th November at the following cemeteries:

- Winchburgh Cemetery 12:30pm (after Mass)
- Loaninghill Cemetery 2pm
- Uphall Old Cemetery 2:30pm ***Cemetery candles on sale in both church stalls.***

Please note that there will be NO teas and coffees in the hall in Winchburgh this Sunday.

Remembrance Services

Broxburn: Sunday 8th November 2pm at Broxburn and Uphall War Memorial at Strathbrock, parade starts at Uphall Community Centre at 1.30pm. **Winchburgh:** 11th November 10.45am at the War Memorial.

Online Session for Catholic Parents

The first session is this Monday 9th November at 7pm and will be led by Sr Mary Benedicta, who has lots of experience in the Catholic education sector. Here's the link for the meeting. It's also on our website.
https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/38936842503492?p=2JGHHIhMqu3nDM41rw

Fundraising Updates



St Philomena's has recently passed the important fundraising milestone of £50,000! That's a great achievement, well done everyone and let's keep it up.

St John Cantius and St Nicholas has recently surpassed the £10,000 mark – in fact, we've just crept over £11,000. Again, great work everyone. Raffle tickets on sale now (see below)!

Win Big and Support Our Church (Broxburn)

Try your luck in our exciting raffle and help towards the cost of our new church heating system! Fantastic prizes to be won: **1st Prize: £500 My Hotel Breaks voucher, 2nd Prize: £300 My Hotel Breaks, voucher, 3rd Prize: Restaurant voucher.** Tickets on sale after Masses. **Keep hold of your ticket – otherwise you may not be able to claim the prize!** The draw will take place Sun Nov 29th after Sunday Mass.

St Philomena's Altar Severs

Welcome once again Isaac and Alvaro as our new altar servers. We also thank St Philomena's Hall for the donation towards their new robes; they look very smart!

Christmas Hamper St Philomena's

Thank you for the recent generous donations for our Christmas hamper, we are still looking for a few more items, please hand over Roisin after Mass on a Sunday. Raffle tickets will go on sale next weekend.

Steak Pie Meal These will be delivered Thursday, 19th November, 11am-1pm. Please add name etc. to the Sign-up sheet at the SSVP Noticeboard. (Broxburn)

Pensioners Christmas Fish Tea (Winchburgh) This will take place in St Philomena's Hall on Friday 4th December 3-5pm. If you have not been contacted by us and would like to come, fill in the form at the back of the church or call us on 07817 699761. If you are housebound and would like a delivery, contact us with your name and address.

Draft Conversion Practices Bill – Call for Evidence

The Scottish Catholic Parliamentary Office has published a guide to help you respond to the UK Parliament's call for evidence on the Draft Conversion Practices Bill. The guide highlights potential implications for parental rights and offers advice on submitting evidence. Deadline: 5pm, Monday 16 November 2026. The guide is available online at bit.ly/conversionbill and you can make your submission at bit.ly/uksubmission

Tech volunteer required

Are you comfortable livestreaming, recording, and uploading videos to YouTube? Do you have experience with simple video editing? The Catechetics Commission of the Archdiocese wants help with posting content online for occasional Saturday events. Email srmiriam.ruth@staned.org.uk to learn more about this role.