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4TH JULY 2021 – 14TH Sunday of the Year



Saturday 3 rd July	<u>BROXBURN</u> 5.30pm Helen Grehan	<u>WINCHBURGH</u> 9.30am Mass Mgr. Tony Duffy 3.00 pm Vigil Mass Joe Cannon	Feast of St Thomas Apostle 
Sunday 4th July	9.30 am Mass Violet Mulholland 5.00 pm Mass Kathleen McMahon	11.30 am Mass Odile Callaghan RIP (AV)	14th Sunday of the Year
Monday 5 th July	9.30 am Mass Brigit Boyle and all Paupers	No Mass	Feria
Tuesday 6 th July	11am Requiem Mass Mary Frances McLaughlin RIP	9.30 am Mass Deceased Finnigan Family	Memorial of St Maria Goretti
Wednesday 7 th July	9.30 am Mass Neil Sweeney RIP <u>11am Funeral Service</u> Kathleen Newton RIP	No Mass	Feria
Thursday 8 th July	<u>9.30 am Requiem Mass</u> Martin Ward RIP	No Mass	Feria
Friday 9 th July	9.30 am Mass James Barrett RIP <u>11am Requiem Mass</u> Paddy Duffy RIP	No Mass 	Feast of Our Lady of Aberdeen
Saturday 10 th July	5.30 pm Vigil Mass Maggie & John Weir (AV)	9.30am Mass Twin Conference of SVDP Society 3.00 pm Vigil Mass Deceased Hill Family	Mass of Our Lady 
Sunday 11th July	9.30 am Mass Catherine Margaret Kawlewski 5.00 pm Mass Ellen Calder	11.30 am Mass Deceased Boylan Family	15th Sunday of the Year

Theme: A prophet is only despised in his own country

Allowing God to weave us into the rich tapestry that is His plan for us is often difficult. It can seem to us inconvenient, messy and mysterious verging on confusing. We tend to lean heavily on reason and rationality and these faculties can only take us so far. In times of uncertainty, we need to step into the unknown and take the proverbial leap of faith. To live truly in Christ's mystery of faith, we need precisely that; faith in Him first and foremost. Not a primacy of faith in the promises of politicians, philanthropists or scientist but a primacy of faith in Christ Jesus, true God and true Man. Faith is a theological virtue; a gift from God. Not a gift passively received but an *active* gift that God urges us to seek, to desire. Aristotle said in the fourth century before Christ that we learn virtue through habit and practice and not through reasoning and instruction. In other words, we need to practise faith every day to get better at it. So, what habits and practices should we activate in order to receive the gift of faith? Surely to trust God; to seek Him every day in prayer and to be reconciled to Him in His sacraments and in the holy sacrifice of the Mass.

Reflection:

Prayers from the Breviary (Associated with St Teresa of Avila)

He who can give good things to his children urges us to ask, to seek and to knock. In this matter of prayer, more is obtained by sighs than by speech, more by tears than by words. Since by the adoption of grace you have made us children of light, do not let false doctrine darken our minds, but grant that your light may shine within us and we may always live in the brightness of truth. The more loyal our faith, the stronger our hope and the more ardent our desire, so much the more shall we receive.

Shared Parish News

'Our Prayers for the Ordained'

We extend our thoughts and prayers to those ordained to the Order of Priesthood in our Archdiocese this week, Fr Bobby Taylor, and on Saturday 3rd July Fr Martin Eckersley. Josh Moir, also from the Scottish borders, was ordained to the Diaconate last month. We wish them every blessing and hope they may encourage others to serve the Church in the holy Priesthood. Anyone willing to discern their vocation please contact Fr Jeremy, Parish Priest or Fr Andrew Garden, Vocations Director – 0131 663 4286. It is a great privilege to serve Our Blessed Lord.

United Nations Climate Change Conference (C.O.P 26)

The theme of World gathering in Glasgow from 1st November to 12th November, (which Pope Francis planning to attend) is 'Together for Our Planet', inspired by the encyclical, "Laudato Si" publishes in 2015. In it, the Holy Father critiques consumerism and irresponsible development, laments environmental degradations and global warming, and calls on people of the world to take swift and unified global action. See website <https://interfaithscotland.org/> for more details. Need to ask ourselves the question, what am I doing to help Climate Change be tackled? Even just thinking about carbon footprint and use of tap water can help.

Recent Deaths

Martin Ward RIP – on the Feast of St Peter and Paul, dear Martin went, we pray, to his eternal reward. He was a much-respected member of the parish in Broxburn, with his kind and gentle manner. We pray for Aileen his wife and all his beloved family. May he rest in peace for his good deeds go before him. His funeral Mass will take place on Thursday 10th July. This Mass will be on Zoom as requested by the family.

Patrick Duffy RIP – His requiem Mass has now been postponed until Friday 9th July at 12.00 noon, we pray for Alison, his niece and all the family from Portobello. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Mary Frances McLaughlin RIP - Mary Frances' funeral service will take place at Mortonhall on Tuesday 6th July followed by a cremation. She was a teacher at Holy Family School in Winchburgh, followed by the Catholic School in Armadale. She led a very lively life and was kind, sociable and full of fun. May she rest in peace.

Kathleen Newton RIP – her funeral will take place on Wednesday 7th July at 11 am in the church in Broxburn followed by a cremation. Much loved by her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

Vestry Hour this Week

For all general pastoral enquiries

Broxburn Parish – Tuesday 6th July 5pm

Winchburgh {Parish – Monday 5th July 6pm

Thank you

- (i) Fr Jeremy is very grateful for the meals that have been handed in during COVID in the past year. They are delicious and have helped to keep the food bill low in this time of the 'Pandemic', especially as parish funds have been diminished. Thank you so much to all who have so generously provided these meals in both our parishes.
- (ii) For the generosity towards 'Peters Pence' which raised £199.60 between the two parishes for the Pope's chosen charities and welfare of the Vatican City. (Of which our Scottish Seminarians benefit greatly).
- (iii) There has been an email from George Morehead of Marys Meals, thanking you the parishioners for your continued support of this wonderful charity. Marys Meals feeds children in 19 of the world's poorest countries 1,838,859 children daily.

Sacraments

- (i) We pray for Sonny T Wilson who is due to be baptised on Saturday 3rd July in Broxburn and for his beloved parents and godparents. May he be granted a blessed life.
- (ii) If you are seeking to get married next year in the parish this is a good time to apply to the parish office. Remember we have the Canon Hoban Hall which is very well equipped to do a Wedding Reception at a very reasonable cost.

Vandalism at St Philomena's Church and Hall

We have been bothered in recent months by a couple of malcontent youths who hover around the vennel near St Phil's Hall and Church while damaging church property. Please be vigilant about keeping an eye on things and if you notice anything suspicious call the parish office or the police; thank you. Please don't try to restrain them yourself.

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Saints Days this week:

Tuesday 6th July – Memorial of St Maria Goretti – Born in 1890 into a poor family. She was sexually harassed and assaulted by a trusted neighbour before dying of her injuries the next day. She appeared to him in an apparition in prison. He repented to the family and attended her canonisation in 1929.

Friday 9th July – Feast of Our Lady of Aberdeen – Devotion to Our Lady of Aberdeen stems from Bishop Gavin Dunbar in 1514 to 1531. It was saved from destruction at the reformation and taken to Brussels. She continued to be venerated as 'Our Lady of Good Success'.

The Teaching of the Catechism

'Truth, Beauty and Sacred Art' – Para 2500.

The Catechism encourages us to seek out the good, the true and the beautiful and to see in sacred art, a means through which our minds and hearts can be lifted up to give glory and praise to the transcendent mystery of God.

Eventbrite: 10/11th July

Winchburgh 3pm Vigil: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158876673407>

Broxburn 5.30pm Vigil: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158876645323>

Broxburn 9.30am: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158876585143>

Winchburgh 11.30 am: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158876526969>

Broxburn 5pm: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158876322357>

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/7258271735?pwd=VG9QTVdUUFY0dHFRZENVRXRJJeFB1QT09>

Answers to Last Week's Quiz

1. What does the acronym N.A.S.A stand for? **National Aeronautics and Space Administration**
2. Who journeyed to Iona in 563 A.D to found a monastery? **St Columba**
3. What in traditional spiritual teaching are the 3 enemies of the soul? **The World, The Flesh, The Devil.**
4. What is the longest river in Italy? a) Po b) Laa-Laa c) Dipsi d) Tinki Winki – **The Po**
5. Who invented radar? **Sir Robert Watson-Watt**

This Weeks Summer Quiz

1. In which 1960 film did Elvis Presley sing 'Wooden Heart'?
2. What were the first words spoken by Alexander Graham Bell?
3. Which 6th century Bishop of Paris had a suburb and a soup named after him?
4. Which game is played on a 'Diamond'? a) Basketball b) Aussie Rules Footie c) Baseball d) Ice Hockey?
5. Who wrote 'The Lost World'?

Ask your MP to vote against abortion up to birth

The abortion lobby, led by the UK's largest abortion provider, BPAS, has worked with Diana Johnson MP to bring forward an amendment to hijack the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill to introduce abortion on demand, for any reason, up to birth to England and Wales. This would be the single biggest change to abortion legislation since 1967 and would leave England and Wales with one of the most extreme abortion laws in the world. We are expecting that this radical proposal will be voted on by MPs this Monday.

Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool that makes it simple for you to send an email to your MP asking them to vote against the motion. Please click the link below to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds! www.righttolife.org.uk/StopAbortionUpToBirth

Offerings and Building Fund for June: Broxburn - £3169.20 B/F £775.40 Winchburgh - £ 863.70 B/F: £580.44

Next week's Readings: 1st Reading: Am 7:12-15

Psalm: Ps 84

2nd Reading: Eph 1:3-14 **Gospel:** Mk 6:7-13



Pope's prayer intention for July: Social friendship

The Pope Francis' video message below:

The Bible says that whoever finds a friend has found a treasure. I would like to invite everyone to go beyond their groups of friends and build social friendship,

which is so necessary for living together well.

We especially need to have a renewed encounter with the most impoverished and vulnerable, those on the peripheries.

And we need to distance ourselves from populisms that exploit the anguish of the people without providing solutions, proposing a mystique that solves nothing.

We must flee from social enmity which only destroys, and leave "polarisation" behind.

And this isn't always easy, especially today when part of our politics, society and media are bent on creating enemies so as to defeat them in a game of power.

Dialogue is the path to seeing reality in a new way, so, we can live with passion the challenges we face in constructing the common good.

Let us pray that, in social, economic, and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship, men and women who always hold out a helping hand, and may no spaces of enmity and war remain.



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