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11th JULY 2021 – 15TH Sunday of the Year



Saturday 10 th July	<u>BROXBURN</u> 5.30pm Maggie & John Weir (AV)	<u>WINCHBURGH</u> 9.30am Mass Twin Conference of SVDP Society 3.00 pm Vigil Mass Deceased Hill Family	Mass of Our Lady 
Sunday 11th July 'Sea Sunday'	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 
Monday 12 th July	9.30 am Mass Gerard Ellis RIP	No Mass	Feria
Tuesday 13 th July	No Mass	9.30 am Mass Mary Cocoran	Feria
Wednesday 14 th July	9.30 am Mass Luigi Franchi RIP	No Mass	Memorial of St Camillus de Lellis
Thursday 15 th July	No Mass	9.30am Mass Mary Francis McLaughlin RIP	Memorial St Bonaventure
Friday 16 th July	9.30 am Mass Bill Forrester RIP	No Mass	Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Saturday 17 th July	5.30 pm Vigil Mass Patrick Owen Brady	<u>No 9.30 am Mass</u> 3.00 pm Vigil Mass John Morgan RIP	Feria
Sunday 18th July	9.30 am Mass People of the Parish 5.00 pm Mass Tommy Brogan RIP	11.30 am Mass Billy White RIP 	16th Sunday of the Year 

Theme: Take Nothing With You

The challenge to put to rest the search for excess materials and fully awaken the spiritual self is particularly difficult when the infrastructure of our society is built on the foundations of consumerism. To abandon everything material except the bare necessities seems so radical by today's standards. Perhaps when Jesus challenged His disciples to evangelise taking nothing with them, he meant not only leaving behind unnecessary items but also unhelpful inhibitions. Proclaiming the Good News in a post-Christian society like Scotland is undoubtedly difficult and can be met with a crippling cynicism. It doesn't take long in a conversation about religion with our lapsed or atheist friend before attention is turned towards negative themes of scandal and suspicion. Too many conversations like this can leave us wearied and filled with doubt. But Jesus tells us *if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen you walk away and shake the dust from under your feet*. There is a confidence Jesus gives us when we sincerely strive to reflect His glory and reach out to others. And why shouldn't we have that confidence? We have the wisdom and authority of Christ's earthly bride the Church as our source; His Holy Spirit infused in Her teachings. So, what are we waiting for?

Reflection:

Prayer For the New Evangelisation from the USCCB

Heavenly Father, pour forth your Holy Spirit to inspire me with these words from Holy Scripture. Open my heart to hear the gospel and grant me the confidence to proclaim the Good News to others. Pour out your spirit, so that I might be strengthened to go forth and witness to the gospel in my everyday life through my words and actions. In moments of hesitation, remind me if not me, then who will proclaim the gospel? If not now then when will the gospel be proclaimed? If not the truth of the gospel, then what shall I proclaim?

Shared Parish News

Holidays and Proceeding Carefully Out of Covid 19

The first thing is to thank all the volunteers who faithfully carry out all the PPE +Track and Trace duties at our Masses. Without their assistance we could not function. In consultation with the Archdiocese and our Covid safety teams we are striving to operate in such a way as to allow people to attend church and not be put under any undue risk. Once the Scottish Government allow us to go to 1 metre distancing, we can have many more people in the church. Please remember to book in for the weekend Masses either on Eventbrite or by phone. Office hours during the school holidays are: Monday 9am -2pm -01506852040 Thursday 9am to 2pm 01506 891310 after 12 noon 852040.

Sacramental Life

- (i) This Saturday we welcome Mateo Garzon Berry into the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Philomena's. He has already received Baptism and 1st Communion. We pray for him and his sponsor John Muir and his witness to Christ.
- (ii) This Sunday Lucia Buchanan makes her First Confession in St John Canitus & St Nicholas. We pray for our baptised children to learn to experience God's reconciling mercy and forgiveness when we confess our sins. May parents help their children and themselves to regularly practise Confession. St John Paul II went every week.

Recent Deaths in the Parish

Betty Mooney RIP – Resident lately in Broxburn Nursing Home, she was a faithful Catholic who loved to receive Holy Communion. She passed away peacefully and her Cremation Service was on Friday 9th July. May she rest in peace.

Eileen Valentine RIP – Eileen died peacefully in St John's hospital on Tuesday 6th July. She received the sacraments a few days beforehand. Resident in Uphall she was much loved by her family. May she rest in peace. (No funeral arrangements as yet)

Margaret Brady RIP – Margaret died peacefully in Tippethill on Monday 5th July. She had been hospitalised for several months. We pray for all her beloved family and those who were close to her. Her funeral is provisionally on Wednesday 21st July at 9.30am. May she rest in peace.

Next Vestry Hour

For all general pastoral enquiries

Broxburn Parish – Tuesday 20th July 5.30pm
Winchburgh {Parish – Wednesday 21th July 6pm



Canon Hoban Hall

We have one of the finest parish halls in the Archdiocese. Thanks to the Hall Committee it is in tip top condition. However, after 18 months of COVID, the hall has been virtually 'mothballed' and therefore earning virtually no income. Thanks to the Slimmer's coming back, our main source of income, things are starting to open up. However, for the hall to have a long-term future, as a parish resource, it must be used by the parish and the wider community. It is an ideal venue for private functions, family events, Wedding Receptions, dances, band nights, birthday parties etc. Now that small social events are permitted, please contact Brian MacRae on 01506 854702 if interested in making a booking. (Diary now open for 2022).

The Anniversary of Srebrenica 8th July

For Srebrenica Memorial Week 2021, Interfaith Scotland is partnering with the Srebrenica Memorial Centre, Bosnia and the University of Denver to host a Memorial and Scottish launch of the book "Voices from Srebrenica", by Hasan Hasanovic and Ann Petril. The authors will be speaking at the event alongside Robert McNeil M.B.E (Forensic expert) – I was there last year in March 2020 for the 25th anniversary of the Genocide. God rest their souls.

Prayers for Maureen Guthrie RIP

Maureen died in Linlithgow recently and was well known in Uphall as Maureen Hughes. May she rest in peace.

Lonely Parishioners

It is obvious that after many months of 'Lockdown' and safety precautions many people could be suffering from loneliness. If you could kindly be aware of this and contact Fr Jeremy if you have any concerns about anyone who is being overlooked. Thank you.

Saints Days this week:

Wednesday 14th July- Memorial of St Camillus de Lellis – (16th Century) was troublesome and addicted to gambling as a youth and became destitute. He converted to the faith at 25. He established hospitals and was ordained a priest in 1584. He established the Order of Camillians, - they went where nobody else would go... plague areas, prisons and battlefields.

Thursday 15th July – St Bonaventure – (13th Century) was baptised John. St Francis of Assisi, was credited with curing him from a serious illness while still a child. Joined the Franciscans aged 35, he was made Superior of the Franciscans. He wrote many works on philosophy and theology, intertwining the two. He helped greatly to structure the order.

Friday 16th July – Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel – was the name accorded to Our Lady by the hermits who used Mount Carmel in present day Israel above the port of Haifa, as their base in the late 12th century. This was the beginning of the Carmelite Order, male and female. On this day, Mary is celebrated as a model of reflection, solitude and prayer.

The Teaching of the Catechism

"Purity of Heart" (Catechism 2517-2519)

The catechism teaches that the heart is the seat of the moral personality. The prophet Jeremiah observed: 'The heart is deceitful above all things' (Jer 17:9) Jesus taught that the heart is the place within us from which evil flows: 'Out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, fornication'. (Matt 15:9) The pure in heart are those who by God's grace and the virtues of temperance and self-control are able to attune their intellects and wills to the call of God's holiness, (See Matt 15:19- 'Blessed are the pure in heart -they shall see God').

Eventbrite: 17/18th July

Winchburgh 3pm Vigil: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158876729575>

Broxburn 5.30pm Vigil: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158876757659>

Broxburn 9.30am: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158876791761>

Winchburgh 11.30 am: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158876964277>

Broxburn 5pm: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/158877213021>

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/7258271735?pwd=VG9QTVdUUFY0dHRZENVXRJRJeFB1QT09>

Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage

The Virtual Lourdes Pilgrimage is on from 9-16 July. The week-long online event includes talks and reflections, a virtual walking tour, rosary Stations of the Cross and more. You can watch it all on YouTube at bit.ly/ArchLourdes2021 Check out the full programme at www.edinburgh-lourdes.com. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Help Requested!

The food bank in Grangemouth that has been providing food for the nuns in Edinburgh via Pauline Steyn and are looking for clean empty egg boxes. Please could you bring your empty boxes to Broxburn and Winchburgh parishes and I will collect them from the porch. **Lesley**

New priests

Congratulations to **Fr Martin Eckersley** and **Fr Bobby Taylor** who were both recently ordained as priests of our Archdiocese. Please keep both men in your prayers as they begin their ministry.

[NB. Martin Eckersley will be ordained on Saturday 10 July at 3pm]

Sea Sunday2021

This weekend is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a special collection for Stella Maris (the Apostleship of the Sea), the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. For an appeal talk, and a video showing some of what Stella Maris does, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/SeaSunday. To donate, please visit: www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or text 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.

Answers to Last Week's Quiz

1. In which 1960 film did Elvis Presley sing 'Wooden Heart'? **G I Blues**
2. What were the first words spoken by Alexander Graham Bell? **'Mary had a little lamb'**
3. Which 6th century Bishop of Paris had a suburb and a soup named after him? **St Germanus**
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'? **Conan Doyle**

This Weeks Summer Quiz

1. What kind of animal is a cachalot?
2. Where was Rod Stewart born?
3. Who was St Benedict's Sister?
4. Which type of flowers are described as 'ericaceous'?
5. Which company was the maker of the motor car called 'Super Snipe'?

Next week's Readings: 1st Reading: Jer 23:1-6

Psalm: Ps 22 2nd Reading: Eph2:13-18 Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

