

Parish of Our Lady & St. Bridget's, West Calder

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Mass schedule

Saturday 5.15pm Eileen Bergkinds (RIP)

Sunday 10am S Bernard Curran (Anniv)

Monday 9.30am William McMahon (Anniv)

Tuesday No public Mass Eileen Bergkinds (RIP)

Wednesday 7pm Gertrude McLay (Birthday Mass)

Thursday 9.00. FUNERAL Mass: Ann Theresa Ashcroft (RIP)

Friday 9.30am Eileen Bergkinds (RIP)

Saturday 5.15pm Brendan McGinness (Anniv)

Sunday 10am S Francis Gaughan (Anniv)

S – Mass live streamed online

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) : 30 minutes before
Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday Mass.

Sick & Housebound visit – Every First Friday after morning Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 6.30pm every Wednesday.

Rosary – 15min before every first Saturday/Sunday Mass.

Chaplet to the Divine Mercy – 15min before Wednesday Mass.

Children's Newsletters available at the back of the church

Weekly Parish Newsletter – Online. Free Printed version at the back
of the church (Sign up required)

The church is open daily from morning till 6pm.



Upcoming Events

2nd October

Rite of Enrolment for Children

16th October

Baptism: Orlaith Bungard

21 October

Finance & Fabric comity

7th November

Parish Pastoral Council

12 November

Baptism: Ayla Lily Maciver

Important Announcement

PPC minutes available at the
back of the church.

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occasionally changed due to
days off, funerals or other
clergy commitments. Please
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News from the parish and the archdiocese

Sanctuary Lamps: Ad Infinitam Dei Gloriam

This Sunday is 108th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES.

Funerals: Please keep in your prayers late **Ann Theresa Ashcroft (RIP)** whose funeral will take place on Thursday 9am. May she rest in peace.



During October we will say **rosary 15 minutes before every weekday and Sunday Mass**. Join us!

If you would like to lead the rosary put your name on the list at the back of the church.

Meeting for parents of children preparing to the sacraments of Christian Initiation will take place after Saturday vigil Mass – P3 22 October, P4 29 October, P7 5 November.

There will be a Fairtrade stall next weekend 1st/2nd October.

Community Connections are drop-in, face-to-face advice sessions in local community settings to assist people with long term condition, (asthma, diabetes, copd, long covid etc). Please see more info on a poster and parish website.

Pro Life Parish Life newsletter - SEPTEMBER 2022 available at the back of the church and parish website.

Edinburgh Jesuit Centre: Faith & Politics

This term, the Edinburgh Jesuit Centre is running a series of conversations with people whose work combines faith and politics. On Wednesday 28 September at 7pm, Fr Adrian Porter SJ will be in conversation with Alistair Dutton, Chief Executive of SCIAF. In-person and online. Details at edinburghjesuit.org.uk/ejc

National Safeguarding Conference This takes place on **1 October** at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow. Details and registration at <https://bit.ly/39dsFPq>.

Day for Readers: The Word Made Flesh: Full of Grace and Truth Do you read the Word of God at Mass? A Day for Readers takes place at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, 11am – 3pm on Saturday 8 October. It is also for anyone who wants to come and reflect on the Gospel of St John. Fr Andrew Garden of St David's in Dalkeith will be the main speaker and there will be practical sessions. The day concludes with Mass at 2:15pm.



In the Community

Pray for the sick

Elsie Burns, Irene McFadden, Jackie Flannagan, Frank McLinden, Margaret Mooney, Jean O'Hagan, Martin Coyne, Rachel Shiels, Leo Barker, Anne MacKay, Bernard Kane.

Parish Mass Books

Order of Mass: p.6, Readings: p. 143.

Sunday collection

£.411.20 +(approx. £269pw via Direct Debits, Internet and Card Payments). Thank you !

Bonus Ball winner

No. 24 Laurence Curran

Church stall – A new selection of Cards for all occasions available at the back of the church.

A light lunch and refreshments will be available. Register at bit.ly/readersevent

Season of Creation

The Season of Creation is on from **1 September** to 4 October. This year's theme is 'Listening to the voice of creation'. Find out more at <https://seasonofcreation.org/>. Please consider reading Pope Francis' encyclical 'Laudato Si,' on caring for our common home – it is freely available online by searching 'Laudato Si'.

Christian Meditation

Experience how Christian Meditation with others leads you to the joy of God's healing. We meditate in person at 63 York Place on Fridays at 7.30 p.m. Afterwards you are welcome for refreshments and to socialize. On Wednesdays at 7 p.m. we meditate online on Zoom. The up-to-date schedule is here: <https://www.meetup.com/Christian-Meditation-Group/events/>
Contact info - mobile: 0771 777 2614 Facebook: <http://on.fb.me/1cuO5QJ>

"The Catholic App" is your smart Catholic companion that helps you find churches, Mass, Confession, and news **in all churches in Scotland and London**. Download the app for iPhone/iPad or Android by searching for "The Catholic App, Musemantik" in the Apple App Store or Google Play.

Car parking – Please use the church's car parking with consideration to other users by parking your car starting with the further available spot and not blocking other lines.

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Note about Hospitals, we live in a society which is increasingly secular these days, and many who work in them give no importance to faith or spiritual health. We have Catholic Chaplains assigned, but they can only act when the patient declares as a Roman Catholic and asks the Catholic Chaplain to be notified. So, communication on this matter when someone is admitted to hospital is essential. Please inform the Hospital staff that you are Catholic and you would like to see a Catholic chaplain. If you are to receive major surgery, it is recommended that you receive the Sacrament of Anointing prior to admission. If anyone has become housebound and would like Communion at home or would like to ask for the Sacrament for the sick, please contact Fr Marcin.

Mass offering - The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is at the heart of the Catholic Faith. It is a very special way of remembering a loved one, celebrating an anniversary, making a petition or an act of thanksgiving or sharing in the feasts and seasons of the Church year. If you wish the Mass to be offered in our churches in your intentions please use special brown envelopes and please hand it to Fr Marcin or the sacristy. Customary Mass stipend is not for offered prayers but voluntary contribution towards up keeping of our clergy.

Child Protection Policy Statement: "The Catholic Church in Scotland is concerned with the lives, safety, wholeness and wellbeing of each individual person within God's purpose for everyone. It seeks to safeguard the welfare of people of all ages who are involved in whatever capacity with the Church and its organisations. As a Church community, we accept that it is the responsibility of all of us, ordained, professed, paid and voluntary members, to work together to prevent the physical, sexual, emotional abuse or neglect of children, young people and vulnerable adults."