

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

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Mass schedule

Saturday 5.15pm Lesa Gaffney (Anniv)
7pm ■■■

Sunday 11.00am S. Janet & Harry Masny (RIP)

Monday 9.30am Donor's Intention

Tuesday No public Mass Donor's Intention

Wednesday 7pm Janet & Harry Masny

Thursday 9.30am Donor's Intention

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Saturday 5.15pm Edward Przybylski (Sp.Int)
7pm. ■■■

Sunday 11.00am S. Kate, Pat & Con O'Byrne

■■■ Mass in Polish Language.

S – Mass live streamed online

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) : 30 minutes before Saturday & Sunday Mass and during Wednesday's Adoration.

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 6pm 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.

HMP Addiewell Sunday Mass - Missa pro populo

Upcoming Events

25th August – Parish BBQ

Family Connection

In family life, we find a safe place to discover who we are and who God calls us to be. But sometimes the influences from outside our family can make us unrecognizable to those who know us best. These outside influences can lead us away from God, or they can lead us toward a deeper relationship with God. In today's Gospel, we see that the people of Nazareth could not recognize Jesus as the Son of God. As you gather as a family, talk about the people and events that are influencing members of your family. Acknowledge that many of these people and events are positive influences, also acknowledge, however, that there are negative influences in our lives that risk pulling us away from God.

News from the parish and the archdiocese

Sanctuary Lamps: Ad Infinitam Dei Gloriam

Parish BBQ 25th August after 11am Mass. All welcome. Please RSVP on the list at the back of the church. Thank you.

Our local Saturday 7pm Mass in Polish Language is moving from August to Sunday Mass at 12.30pm.

Fundraising for the new set of lectionaries and Book of the Gospel for our church

– The Lectionary, which is the book that contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. The new Lectionary will use the English Standard Version - Catholic Edition of the Bible and the Abbey Psalter. The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, biblical scholarship, and to provide a text for use in liturgical setting that is more proclaimable and, where appropriate, more inclusive. The Lectionary will become mandatory for use in all Catholic parishes and mass centres in England & Wales and in Scotland from Advent 2024. **The total cost of this liturgical books for our parish is £981. Any donations and help towards this important purchase welcome.** Please contact Fr Marcin for more details.

Congratulations to Paul Henderson and Peter Shankland who were ordained to the sacred priesthood at St Mary's Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their ministry.

'A City of Faith' walking tour This free walking tour will visit key sites in Scotland's capital that have been centres of the worship of God. Meet at St Mary's Cathedral, Broughton Street, at 9:30am on Saturday 13 July. Bring a packed lunch and dress for the weather. Includes Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley at St Patrick's in The Cowgate at 12:30pm. Queries to frrobert.taylor@staned.org.uk

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly To mark this day, Holy Mass will be celebrated at the National Marian Shrine, Carfin, on Sunday 28 July at 3:00pm. The Principal Celebrant will be Bishop John Keenan (Paisley Diocese), who is President of the Bishops' Conference Marriage, Family and Life Commission. The Café will be open for refreshments.

Columba Trust

The Columba Trust provides funding to organisations and individuals to support projects which promote the Roman Catholic faith, its ministry and values. The deadline for applications this year is **31 July 2024**. Further details about the Trust and how to apply for a grant can be found at: <https://columbatrust.org.uk/>



In the Community

Pray for the sick

Elsie Burns, Irene McFadden, Frank McLinden, Margaret Mooney, Rachel Shiels, Bernard Kane, John Burns, Molly Wade.

Parish Mass Books

Order of Mass: p.7
Readings: p.103

Sunday collection

£550.90
+ approx. £350.75pw
(£110pw GoodBox - Card Payments
£59 pw Online Donations.
£181.75 pw Direct Debits)

Second collection: £227.50.

Bonus Ball winner

Bonus Ball No 51 Mary McMillan.

Hope, healing and forgiveness Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew and rebuild your life after experiencing the trauma of abortion. Healing weekends offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgemental environment to deal with painful emotions. Participants who have often experienced deep anger towards themselves or others can experience forgiveness. The next retreat in Scotland is at the end of June. Contact Sister Andrea: sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk or 07816 942 824. More at <https://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk/home>

Marriage Counselling If you are concerned about your relationship and feel as a couple that you are unable to reach a conclusion alone, it is likely that you will benefit from marriage counselling. The Archdiocese has an arrangement with a qualified Catholic marriage counsellor who may be able to help you. For information or advice or to arrange counselling sessions please email in confidence marriage.counsellor@staned.org.uk or phone 0751 1928621 (Please note that counselling fees apply).

SCIAF School Volunteers

SCIAF is looking for volunteers to support its work in schools across the Archdiocese. You'll receive training, travel expenses and a fulfilling role that uses your gifts to serve God and others. To find out more email schools@sciaf.org.uk

Way of St Andrews

Pilgrimage in Scotland? Try the 'Little Camino', Scotland at its best. Great trails, great scenery and a great opportunity for reflection. Visit <http://www.thewayofstandrews.com/>

Events in the Archdiocese

For a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese visit <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>

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 first line.

Note about Hospitals - 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.

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."