

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

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## Upcoming Events

22<sup>nd</sup> May, PPC

27<sup>th</sup> May, First Holy Communion

16<sup>th</sup> June Rehearsal before  
Confirmation

21<sup>st</sup> June 7pm – Archbishop Leo  
Cushley visit and conferral of  
the Sacrament of Confirmation.

### Mass schedule

**Saturday 5.15pm** Betty & Bill Glynn

**Sunday 11.00am S** William Curran

**Monday 9.30am** Lizzie Lavery (Anniv)

**Tuesday No public Mass** Catherine Lee (McLinden)

**Wednesday 7pm** Donor's intention

**Thursday 9.30am** Donor's intention

**Friday 9.30am** Bridget Curran (Anniv)

**Saturday 5.15pm** Betty Fordyce (Anniv)

**Sunday 11.00am S.** Catherine Lavery (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.

HMP Addiewell Sunday Mass - Missa pro populo

## Important Announcement

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**May Devotion** with Litany  
to the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Every Wednesday before  
Mass.

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**Next Children's Liturgy** is on  
4<sup>th</sup> of June. All children  
welcome.

## News from the parish and the archdiocese

### Sanctuary Lamps: Ad Infinitam Dei Gloriam

Please pray for all children from our parish who will be receiving their **First Holy Communion next Saturday**: Raeya Thon, Isobel & Michael Swantson, Conor Wilson, Zuzanna Czerwinska, Maya Kuzikowska, Kornelia Konieczny, Ben Porter.

May they all grow in knowledge and love of God.

### Special Collection, 21 May

World Communications Day is next Sunday 21 May. Pope Francis has chosen the theme of speaking with the heart - "The truth in love" (Eph 4:15). There will be a special collection for the apostolate of communications. *We pray for all those in the Church who communicate to others, through multiple means, the saving truth of the Gospel, that they may be diligent servants of the Word and conscientious champions of the truth.*

### Hold the date

Archbishop Cushley will lead a Corpus Christi procession through Falkirk town centre to St Francis Xavier's Church on Sunday 11 June. Details to follow soon.

### Mass for Married & Engaged Couples

Archbishop Leo Cushley will celebrate Mass for Married and Engaged Couples at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh at 7:15pm on Wednesday 31 May. Reception in Coffee Saints afterwards. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, or know couples who are, please email Fr Jeremy Milne so an invitation can be sent. Submit names, address and number of years being celebrated to [vemarriage@staned.org.uk](mailto:vemarriage@staned.org.uk), or phone 0131 334 1693.

### St Margaret's Pilgrimage 2023

St Margaret Pilgrimage returns to Dunfermline on Sunday 18 June. Mass is at 2:30pm in St Margaret's Memorial Church in East Port, with Archbishop Cushley as principal celebrant. Prior to that there is an ecumenical service at 12:30pm in Dunfermline Abbey, followed by prayers at the tomb of St Margaret. Join people from across the Archdiocese and beyond to give thanks to God for St Margaret's example of faith, charity and leadership.

### Lourdes Pilgrimage 2023

There's still time to book your place on the Archdiocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes, which takes place from 7-14 July. Everyone is welcome, and those with disabilities/medical issues are especially invited - you will be cared for 24/7 by a dedicated team of doctors, nurses and support workers. Financial assistance may be available to support your pilgrimage. For full details visit [www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/](http://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/) or email [edinburghlourdes@gmail.com](mailto:edinburghlourdes@gmail.com)



## In the Community

### Pray for the sick

Elsie Burns, Irene McFadden, Jackie Flannagan, Frank McLinden, Margaret Mooney, Martin Coyne, Rachel Shiels, Bernard Kane, John Burns.

### Parish Mass Books

Order of Mass: p.6,  
Readings: p.275.

### Sunday collection

£539.40 + (approx. £269pw via Direct Debits, Internet and Card Payments).

### Bonus Ball winner

Bonus Ball No.17 Tony McCauly.

**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.

### **Christian Meditation (in person and online)**

Lent is a time to grow in prayer, and Easter a time to rejoice in the Lord. Experience how Christian Meditation with others leads you on this journey. We meditate in person at 63 York Place, Edinburgh EH3 5AD, 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 and you can join from anywhere. 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>

**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 yours intentions please use special brown envelops 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.

**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.

**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.”