Newsletter, 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Solemnity of Pentecost, Year A.

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

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#### Mass schedule

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

Sunday 11.00am S Catherine Lavery (Anniv)

Monday 9.30am Timmie Daly

Tuesday No public Mass Mrs. C. Lavery (Anniv)

Wednesday 7pm Kathleen Lee (RIP)

**Thursday 9.30am** Edward Przybylski (RIP)

Friday 9.30am Margaret Brady (RIP)

Saturday 5.15pm Bridget McManus

**Sunday 11.00am S.** Cassaly & Cromble family

S – Mass live streamed online

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

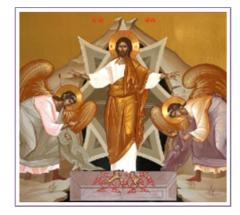
Sick & Housebound visit – Every First Friday after morning Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 6.30pm every Wednesday. Rosary – 15min before every first Saturday/Sunday Mass.

Chaplet to the Divine Mercy – 15min before Wednesday Mass. Children's Newsletters availably 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**

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.

# Important Announcement

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

#### PPC updates

Minutes availably at the back of the church and parish website.

Shaking hands during Sign of peace welcome back but not obligatory. Bowing head as a response remains an option.

New members to join PPC wanted. Please speak with Frank of Fr Marcin Parish BBQ 27<sup>th</sup> August after Sunday Mass. Helpers needed.

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# News from the parish and the archdiocese

Sanctuary Lamps: Ad Infinitam Dei Gloriam

**Next Sunday is Trinity Sunday** and the end of the period of fulfilment of Easter duties.

May 31st is the bishops of Scotland's **Day for Life**. A second collection on Sunday 4th June will be taken for the work of apostolate of life.

#### 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.

Holy Cross Academy Edinburgh Former Pupils Reunion: If you or your friends would like a reunion with other FPs then please send your name and the years when you started and left Holy Cross Academy to Michael Balfour at <a href="mailto:mjbgen19@gmail.com">mjbgen19@gmail.com</a> or telephone 07484 620 635 by 30 June 2023. We aim to reply by 31 July 2023.

#### 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 <a href="mailto:vemarriage@staned.org.uk">vemarriage@staned.org.uk</a>, 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 <a href="www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/">www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/</a> or email edinburghlourdes@gmail.com

#### Fratelli Tutti event [Promo image attached]

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#### 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.278.

**Sunday collection** £478.71 + (approx. £269pw via Direct Debits, Internet and Card Payments). Second collection for communication - £151.72.

## Bonus Ball winner Bonus Ball No. 18 Nan Gallagher.

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Explore the key messages of Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter *Fratelli Tutti* and how it can inform your life at an event at Sacred Heart Parish, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh EH3 9DJ on Wednesday 7 June from 7-9pm. Speakers are Sr Isabel Smyth, Imam Hassan Rabbani and Fr David Stewart SJ. This is a free event and no registration is required. Organised by the Archdiocesan Commission for Ecumenism & Interfaith Dialogue.

#### Run Alpha

The Archdiocese hosts a 'Run Alpha' training day for parishes interested in trying Alpha. Alpha is an evangelisation tool used by many churches and denominations throughout the world, and can be utilised in a Catholic context. Join us on Saturday 10 June, from 9:30am to 3:30pm at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Please bring a packed lunch. Register on Eventbrite: bit.ly/archedventbrite

**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: <a href="https://www.meetup.com/Christian-Meditation-Group/events/">https://www.meetup.com/Christian-Meditation-Group/events/</a>
Contact info - mobile: 0771 777 2614 Facebook: <a href="https://on.fb.me/lcuO5QJ">http://on.fb.me/lcuO5QJ</a>

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 availably 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."

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