

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

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## Upcoming Events

**10<sup>th</sup> November** – Remembrance Sunday Ecumenical Service

**17<sup>th</sup> November** - Baptism Finn Samuel Irvine

**29<sup>th</sup> November** - Parish Cultural & Family Night.

**1<sup>st</sup> December** – First Sunday of Advent.

**1<sup>st</sup> December** – Children's Liturgy

## Mass schedule

**Saturday 5.15pm** Robert & Eva Di Biasio (RIP)

**Sunday 11.00am S.** 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday (Thanksgiving Mass)

**12.30** ■ November Remembrance List

**Monday 9.30am** Lily (2007), Clare (2010) Martin (2024) and all deceased members of the Coyne Family.

**Tuesday No public Mass** November Remembrance List

**Wednesday 7pm** Michael Clinton (Anniv)

**Thursday 9.30am** Mr Mrs John & Janet McFadden (Anniv)

**Friday 9.30am** Betty Dougan of Bathgate (RIP)

**Saturday 5.15pm** Agnes Banner (Colleary) Anniv

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S – Mass live streamed online

■ Mass in Polish Language.

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

## Family Connection



### A Prayer of Remembrance

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping those who have died for their country in war; those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of mankind:

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## News from the parish and the archdiocese

**Sanctuary Lamps:** Ad Infinitam Dei Gloriam

**Liturgical calendar:** Monday - St. Martin of Tours, Tuesday - St Josephat, Saturday - St. Margaret of Scotland.



**St. Andrew's Parish Multicultural Night, Friday 29th Nov 2024** Recognising the diverse countries which have St Andrew as their patron, our parish is holding a multicultural night with food and music from around the world, this will be a fantastic celebration of the diversity within our parish. Donations of national dishes welcome and any talented parishioners who wish to perform on the night showcasing national song/dance

welcome. Venue: West Calder Bowling Club, Friday 29th Nov 7.30-12.00 Tickets on Sale after mass or contact members of Parish Council Adults £8 Children £2

**Ceilidh Ball** The national Young Adults' Ceilidh Ball that takes place at Central Hall, 2 West Tollcross, Edinburgh, EH3 9BP on Saturday 16 November at 7:00pm. Includes live band and buffet. Details and Tickets (£40) at <https://bit.ly/edinburghceilidh> Queries: Fr Robert Taylor [frrobert.taylor@staned.org.uk](mailto:frrobert.taylor@staned.org.uk)

**Youth Day – Wonder Woman St Margaret!** The Archdiocese is hosting a youth day for p4-p7 children at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on Saturday 16 November to coincide with the Feast of St Margaret. Includes games, talks and activities, concluding with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Leo. Register at <https://bit.ly/youthdaymargaret>

**World Day of the Poor** World Day for the Poor is on Sunday 17 November and Archbishop Cushley has nominated the Beit Afram Elderly Home in Palestine as the recipient of the Archdiocese's annual appeal. Your donation will help ensure that elderly Christians living amidst the violence of war and in need of care are not abandoned and that their costs to live with dignity are covered. To donate please visit [bit.ly/dayforpoor2025](http://bit.ly/dayforpoor2025), Find out more about the care home at [www.lpj.org/en](http://www.lpj.org/en)

### Zoom series on new Lectionary

The Archdiocese is hosting a series of 45 min. talks on Zoom to take a closer look at the new Lectionary which is being introduced in Advent. Join Fr Jamie McMorrin at 7:00pm on Wednesday 4 December, Wed 11 Dec, and Wed 18 Dec. The sessions are free to attend. Register at [bit.ly/lectionaryadvent](http://bit.ly/lectionaryadvent)



### In the Community

#### Pray for the sick

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

#### Parish Mass Books

Order of Mass: p.7  
Readings: p.154.  
Preface: 5 OT p.54-56.

#### Sunday collection

£611.30  
+ approx. £350.75pw  
(£110pw GoodBox - Card Payments  
£59 pw Online Donations.  
£181.75 pw Direct Debits)

#### Bonus Ball winner

Bonus Ball No  
17 Tony McCauly

There are two numbers available for anyone interested in Bonus Ball the profits go to Father Alloys in Kenya. Contact T T

## Diploma in Catechetics

Take the Diploma in Catechetics and make the Holy Year 2025 a time of newness and deepening in your life of faith. The course is run by the Archdiocese and starts in January. It consists of a weekly lecture on Zoom, guided reading from the Catechism and regular 1-to-1 support. To mark the Holy Year the course is being offered at £125 (normally £200). Find out more and register at [bit.ly/diploma2025](http://bit.ly/diploma2025)

**Young Adult Ministry at Sacred Heart Church** The young adult ministry programme has begun at Sacred Heart Church, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ. Includes *The Seven* - the 7:00pm Sunday Mass for you young adults aged 18-35, and the First Sunday Circle, a talk and faith formation event that takes place after the 7:00pm Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Find out more at <https://edinburghjesuit.org.uk/young-adult-ministry>

**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](mailto:marriage.counsellor@staned.org.uk) or phone 0751 1928621 (Please note that counselling fees apply).

## Healing weekend

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 help deal with painful emotions. Participants can experience forgiveness, find peace and restore their life. The next Scottish retreat is in November. Contact Andrea at [sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk](mailto:sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk) or on 07816 942 824.

## 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 lines.

**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."