

**OUR LADY OF LORETTO & ST MICHAEL  
MUSSELBURGH  
ST MARTIN'S TRANENT**

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Our Lady of Loretto & St Michael and St Martin of Tours are parishes of the Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh  
Charity Number SCO08540

SEPTEMBER		WELCOME TO MASS	Mass & Prayer Intentions
Sat 9	10.00am 10.30am 5.15pm 6.00pm	Mass – Musselburgh Confessions with Exposition, Rosary & Benediction <b>23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Confessions - Musselburgh Vigil Mass - Musselburgh	Sick Parishioners  Robert & Deliah McCluskey RIP
Sun 10	8.50 -9.20am 9.30am 11.00am	Confessions - Tranent Mass - Tranent Mass – Musselburgh	Ian Innes RIP Johan & Vince Reape RIP
Tue 12	7.00pm	Mass – Tranent	Grace McCrorie RIP
Wed 13	10.00am	Funeral Mass – Musselburgh	Sandy Ferguson RIP
Thu 14	10.00am	Mass – Tranent                      Exaltation of the Cross	Special Intention
Fri 15	10.00am	Mass – Musselburgh                      Our Lady of Sorrows	Una Laing RIP
Sat 16	10.00am 10.30am 5.15pm 6.00pm	Mass – Musselburgh                      St Ninian Confessions with Exposition, Rosary & Benediction <b>24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Confessions - Musselburgh Vigil Mass - Musselburgh	Special Intention  Pro Populo
Sun 17	8.50 -9.20am 9.30am 11.00am	Confessions - Tranent Mass - Tranent Mass – Musselburgh	Aaron Beretta AV Danny Reynolds AV

### Sacramental Preparation 2023 - 2024



#### Parent's Meetings P 3 & 4 Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October

P3 6.00pm First Reconciliation  
P4 6.30pm First Holy Communion

#### Parent's Meeting P7 Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November

6.00pm Confirmation

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**P3 & P 4 Enrolment**                      Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November 11.00am

**P7 Enrolment**                              Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November 11.00am

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**First Reconciliation**    Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 7.00pm

**Confirmation**                              Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 7.00pm

**First Holy Communion**                      Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1.00pm

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#### For Children not in Our Lady of Loretto Primary S.

Registration Forms are available from Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September. Proof of baptism is required for any child starting this journey with us. All parent's meetings are open for you to attend. Preparation will begin during Sunday Mass from the Enrolment Sundays.



### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Collection	£441.93
Building Fund	£200.00
Monthly SO	£1869.00
Stall	£40.00
Sisters of Mercy/Homeless	£200.00
Caritas Musselburgh	£85.45
Candles	£18.69
Hall	£175.00

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### Ministries Next Week

Readers: 6.00 Maureen Keane  
11.00 Rafal Piskorski & Tricia Nicolson

Communion: 6.00 Mark Roberts  
11.00 Anne Vidler

Sunday Teas                              UCM +  
Church Cleaning                      Agneska & Joanna

**Please pray for the sick:** June Fleming, Anne Marie Bevan, Colin Wills, The Graham Family, Natalie Archibald, Edward Brown, Margaret Rodgers, Archie Herkes, Hugh Scott, Alice Najafian, James Valley, Jamie Mitchell, Ann Dixon, Cathleen Young, Eileen Boyle, Frank Costello, Anna Flunkert, Cath Porteous, Elizabeth Archibald, Joan Brooks.

**Anniversaries:** Jimmy Donlevy, Sally McKenna, Daniel Gray, Danny Reynolds, Peggy Gorman, Robert Chapman, Gerry Loftus.

**Sandy Ferguson** - Sandy's Funeral Mass will be on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 10am, then onto Inveresk Cemetery. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October Dawn Walk

To mark Creation Time and a celebration of our place in God's Creation, join us for a Dawn meditation walk. **Meet at 6.40am** at the car park beside Musselburgh Lagoons boating lake. We'll begin and end together with a short time of prayer, with the rest of the walk in quiet and prayer, walking alone or with others as a chance for us to notice and enjoy God's creation.

If you'd like to take part please register with Miriam, 07884 054289, just in case the weather changes and we have to rearrange. Wear sturdy shoes!



We will decorate the Church for Harvest and celebrate at both the Vigil and **11.00am Family Mass on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October**. It will be a Sunday to invite family and friends – who may not have been to Mass in a while. Let's use it as an opportunity to reach out beyond the usual Sunday Community, to children and families from our School in particular.



## BLESSING OF FAMILY PETS Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 3.00pm in the Church Grounds

Please help us pass on this invitation from the parish by word of mouth or on social media to your neighbours, friends and family.

*We look forward to seeing all creatures great and small - we just ask that owners take care to keep their pets and others safe and secure on the day!*

**The Beginning Experience** are holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. The weekend will take place from 29<sup>th</sup> September – 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 at the Comforti Centre, Coatbridge. For details contact: Louise on 07926 571004 or email: [louise398@gmail.com](mailto:louise398@gmail.com). Completed applications must be returned by 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

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Many thanks to all who continue to support people facing financial difficulties through East Lothian Foodbank.

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# Thank You

*I cannot thank you enough for the warm welcome I received on Sunday. I was truly moved by your greetings and affection. The Archbishop rightly thanked Fr John Peter and Deacon Gerry for their ministry here and I wish to echo that. However, I also wish to thank all of you who supported them in 'keeping the show going'. Tricia Edgar (the parish secretary) went above and beyond and will have a well-deserved rest in October. I know there are many more of you who week in, week out demonstrated your baptismal priesthood in a whole variety of ministries and service to the community both in Musselburgh and Tranent. May God bless you and yours for that willingness to serve. Fr Basil*

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A massive **thank you** to everyone involved with our parish meal last Sunday. We really appreciate everything everyone did to make it a success, and a proper welcome back to Fr Basil. It was great to have so many of the parish attend, and to enjoy the foods from the rich variety of cultures and backgrounds to which we all belong. An incredible sharing of talents and a sign of the richness of our parish community! Thank you also to all who contributed to the collection for the Sisters of Mercy Homeless Project. This came to £200. **Miriam McHardy**

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*Finally, I would like to echo Miriam in her appreciations while including her in that! To all who organised, set up, cleared up, contributed food or cash and to Miriam herself for co-ordinating many thanks indeed. Fr B*

**Second Collection: Retired Priests of the Archdiocese –Weekend 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> September**