

**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

OCTOBER	A WARM WELCOME	Mass & Prayer Intentions
Sat 7th 10.00am 10.30am 5.15pm 6.00pm	Mass – Musselburgh Confessions with Exposition, Rosary & Benediction 27 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Confessions - Musselburgh Vigil Mass - Musselburgh	The Sick & Housebound Veronica Cardow AV
Sun 8th October 9.00am 9.30am 11.00am	Confessions - Tranent Mass - Tranent Mass – Musselburgh	Monica Pirrie AV Patricia (Pat) Hay RIP
Tue 7.00pm	Mass – Tranent	Donors Intention
Wed 10.00am	Mass – Musselburgh	St John XXIII Tricia Alwood RIP
Thu 10.00am	Mass – Tranent	St Kenneth Mary Mullen AV
Fri 10.00am	Mass – Musselburgh -	Sandy Ferguson RIP
Sat 14th 10.00am 10.30am 5.15pm 6.00pm	Mass – Musselburgh Confessions with Exposition, Rosary & Benediction 28 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Confessions - Musselburgh Vigil Mass - Musselburgh	Les Taylor RIP James Donnelly RIP
Sun 15th 9.00am 9.30am 11.00am	Confessions - Tranent Mass - Tranent Mass – Musselburgh	Ellen Glynn AV Antonetta D'Amico

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Team Meeting Today at 12.00noon

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
2023 - 2024



Parent's Meetings P 3 & 4 This Wednesday

P3 6.00pm First Reconciliation

P4 6.30pm First Holy Communion

Parent's Meeting P7 Wednesday 1st November

6.00pm Confirmation

ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC

**PREPARATION BEGINS ON FRIDAY
20TH OCTOBER 2.30PM**

PARISH HOUSE - MUSSELBURGH

Thinking about becoming Catholic? Or needing a refresher course! Classes will begin at the end of October. However, (if you) or anyone you know is interested then please ask them to get in touch with me over the next few weeks for an initial one-to-one chat. - Text me on 07732694230 or email: basilijclark@msn.com

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

I have 5 weddings booked for 2024. If you were planning to get married next year and have not yet spoken to me then please do so as soon as possible. Please remember I need a minimum of 6 months' notice. **Even if you spoke to Fr John Peter, please contact me** it may save a mix up! If, you have tentative plans for 2025 then again speak to me and at least get a provisional date booked in. *Fr Basil*

Musselburgh Churches Together

A TAIZÉ SERVICE

Celebrating Harvest

SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER 4.30PM

St Andrew's High Church

High Street Musselburgh
(entry from Millhill)

Let our voices be heard!

Many of the chants are familiar!

HOLY BAPTISM

Baptism is the most important of the Sacraments in that it open's the human soul to receive the Grace of God the flows for Jesus' life, death and resurrection! In otherwards it opens our lives to God's saving work and starts us on the path to Heaven. It opens the door to receiving all of the other Sacrament's so only the baptised can receive the Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Marriage and the Sacrament of the Sick. Baptism appears to be a victim of Covid – a Covid death! The figures tell the story - 2019 20 baptisms 2023 only 8 baptisms and we are in October!

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, Mathew McDonald.

Anniversaries: Helen Boyack, John Glen, Catherine Loftus, Mary Mullarkey, Teresa and Alexander Fowler, Susan Czajka, Agnes and Frank Godsell, Harry McCarthy, Antonetta D'Amico.

Recently Deceased Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Brown who died last Sunday. Funeral Details to Follow

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Along with meeting old friends again it is wonderful to see so many new faces in the congregation. Now I am naturally nosey! Introduce yourselves to me, let me know where you live, get your new home blessed.

SAINT OF THE WEEK



Saint John XXIII, original name **Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli**, (born November 25, 1881, Sotto il Monte, Italy—died June 3, 1963, Rome; beatified September 3, 2000 canonized April 27, 2014; feast day October 11), one of the most popular popes of all time (reigned 1958–63), who inaugurated a new era in the history of the Roman Catholic Church by his openness to change (*aggiornamento*), shown especially in his convoking of the Second Vatican Council. He wrote several socially important encyclicals, most notably *Pacem in Terris*.

'Each person has the right to life and the means necessary to live their life. In addition, all of humanity has a natural right to be respected, to worship God, to live their life as they choose, to work and support a family, to form associations, to emigrate, and to take an active role in public life.' John XIII from *Pacem in Terris*

PRAYING FOR THE SYNOD IN ROME

Let us pray for Pope Francis and the Synod now meeting in Rome. May God the Holy Spirit guide the participants as they seek to guide the Catholic Church.

**O God of unchangeable power and eternal light,
look favourably on your whole church,
that wonderful and sacred mystery;
and by the tranquil operation of your perpetual providence,
carry out the work of human salvation;
let the whole world feel and see
that things which were cast down are being raised up,
that those which had grown old are being made new,
and that all things are returning to perfection;
through him from whom they took their origin,
even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Canon Joe McMullan sends his warmest thanks to all who sent cards, gifts and good wishes on his recent retirement. He will remember you all in his prayers.

Please keep Canon Joe, Deacon Gordon and all our retired clergy in your prayers at the same time let us remember to pray for vocation to replace them as labourers in the Lord's Vinyard!

HARVEST THANKS

My thanks and every blessing to all who contributed to last weekend's Harvest Thanksgiving. Dried Food went to East Lothian Foodbank and fresh goods to the Sisters of Mercy as did any donations handed to me. My thanks also to the Guitar Group and Children's Liturgy Team whose contribution was also very much appreciated. Fr B



SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER

Collection	£511.34
Caritas Musselburgh	£121.57
Candles	£ 31.14

THANKYOU

MINISTRIES NEXT WEEK

**Readers: 6.00 Maureen Keane
11.00 Peter Duffy & Beth Nicholson**
**Communion: 6.00 Mark Roberts
11.00 Paul Doyle**
Sunday Teas UCM
Church Cleaning Elspeth & Jean

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

TEAMS OF OUR LADY

Teams is a worldwide lay movement within the Catholic Church which helps married couples grow in their love of Christ and each other, recognising that Christian marriage is a precious gift that we need to nurture. Teams consist of four to six couples and a spiritual counsellor, often a priest, who meet roughly once a month in each other's homes. An open information evening takes place on Tuesday 10 October, 6:30pm - 7:30pm in Ss John Cantius & Nicholas Church Hall, Broxburn, EH52 5RJ. More info from northern@teamsgb.org.uk

SEARCHING FOR JESUS IN THE GOSPEL OF MARK

St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh hosts five evenings of special talks with US theologian Professor James Edwards. Begins 23 October. Tickets/details at bit.ly/Jesus-in-GospelofMark

VOCATIONS MASS

The next Mass to pray for Vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the Archdiocese is on Tuesday 31 October at 7pm at St Margaret's, Drip Road, Raploch, Stirling, FK9 4UA.

SAFEGUARDING EVENT

The National Safeguarding Conference takes place on Saturday 18 November in Glasgow. The event is for anyone who has a safeguarding responsibility in a parish. Register at bit.ly/3Z93und.