

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

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

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NOVEMBER		WELCOME TO HOLY MASS	INTENTIONS
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mass – Musselburgh	William (Billy) Gold RIP <i>Praying for the Lapsed</i>
	10.30am	Confessions with Exposition, Rosary & Benediction <b>33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
	5.15pm	Confessions - Musselburgh	The Delicata Family
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass – Musselburgh	
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Confessions - Tranent	Lillian Connolly AV Grace Cooney RIP
	9.30am	Mass - Tranent	
	11.00am	Mass – Musselburgh	
	2.30pm	Cemetery Service – Tranent	
	3.30pm	Cemetery Service Inveresk	
Mon		<i>No Mass</i>	
Tue	10.00am	Funeral Mass – Musselburgh	Anne Kelly RIP
		No Mass – Tranent	
Wed	10.00am	Mass– Musselburgh <span style="float: right;">St Cecelia</span>	Adam Johnston RIP
Thu	10.00am	Mass – Tranent	Donors Intention
Fri	10.00am	Mass – Musselburgh St Andrew Dun Lac & Companions	Willie Vidler AV
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mass – Musselburgh	Robert McCluskie AV <i>Praying for Peace</i>
	10.30am	Confessions with Exposition, Rosary & Benediction <b>CHRIST THE KING (CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY)</b>	
	5.15pm	Confessions - Musselburgh	Monica D’Mello AV
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass - Musselburgh	
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Confessions - Tranent	Nazaro Conte RIP Julie & Jim MacDonald AV
	9.30am	Mass - Tranent	
	11.00am	Mass – Musselburgh – Family Mass with P7	
	1.00pm	Baptism – Tranent – Victoria Zuzanna Demczuk	

**Please note No Evening Mass in Tranent this Tuesday.**

*I accepted a Rotary speaking engagement in Tranent before I knew Fr John Peter would not be with us. Fr B*



**TIME, TALENT & TREASURE!**

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**MINISTRIES NEXT WEEK**

**Readers:** 6.00 Mark Roberts

11.00 Children’s Liturgy Group

**Communion:** 6.00 Julie Roberts

11.00 Andre Edie

**Sunday Teas:** Loretto PS Parent Council

**Church Cleaning:** Agnes and Joanna

**SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

Weekly Collection	£511.48
Standing Order October	£1270.00
Caritas Musselburgh	£ 87.82
Candles	£ 63.10
Stall	£100.00

## CEMETERY SERVICES THIS SUNDAY

Tranent Cemetery 2.30pm

Inveresk Cemetery 3.30pm

Cemetery candles are available now £1.50

## NEWMAN SOCIETY

### **Ecumenism and the Synodal Church"**

**Tuesday 21st November 7.30pm**

The speaker, Mgr. Philip Kerr was previously the Archdiocesan Vicar Episcopal for Ecumenism and presently is the Vice-President of the Bishops' Conference Office for Ecumenism.

Venue: Mayfield Salisbury Church of Scotland,  
18 West Mayfield, Edinburgh EH9 1TQ.

### **Justice & Peace**

Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. - after 10.00am Mass

**Praying for Peace**

**On the Solemnity of Christ the King we welcome the young people & the families of those preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation to our Family Mass.**

**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.

**Anniversaries:** Bill Donald, Pamela Ritchie, Helen Rodgers, John Thomson, James Glen, Jeananne Savage, Teresa Connachan, Willie Vidler, Jessie Dale, Julia Macdonald, Robert McCluskey.

**Recently Deceased: Ann Kelly RIP:** Funeral Mass Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> 10.00am Inveresk 11.15am **Joan Brooks RIP:** To be confirmed.

## THE ADVENT SEASON

In Advent the Church begins to prepare celebrate Jesus' birth by looking forward to Christ's second coming at the end of time. The dominant note is one of joyful hope.

**Advent I** – The lighting of the Advent wreath is an opportunity to reflect on Christ our Light as he shines through the Gospel of Mark, the gospel predominantly used throughout this coming year.

**Advent II** - The Second Sunday in Advent is slightly different (in Musselburgh) this year as the 10<sup>th</sup> is the feast of Our Lady of Loretto

From 17 December we begin to prepare for Christmas where Christ is presented as fulfilling the hope of Israel.

**Advent III** - This year the 17<sup>th</sup> falls on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday or Gaudete Sunday. After Mass the **Children will decorate the Christmas Tree** and have their last meeting before Christmas.

It is my duty as your pastor to encourage you to prepare spiritually. The birth of the Lord is best celebrated by allowing him into our lives – he is born again into our hearts; we are born again into his life. **Therefore, I must offer to you and encourage you to use the Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**At 4.00pm on Advent III Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be celebrated and during this an opportunity access to the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available**

**Advent IV** – Sunday Masses on 23/24 December will be short without homily or music. This will allow us to quietly complete Advent before Christmas begins.

### SENIOR PARISHIONERS CHRISTMAS LUNCH



**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Lunch Served from 12.30pm**

**Invitations and Sign-up Sheet  
available at the back of the Church**

**Raffle Prizes** are needed for the lunch – all donations gladly received!

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> 4.00pm Stocktaking and Cleaning Plates etc.

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> After 6.00pm Mass Setting up the Hall and Table Setting

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> 12.00noon welcome etc. 12.30 Serving Lunch

**Clearing up** 3.00pm onwards – again it is really very helpful to have fresh folk in at the end to assist with the clear up dishes etc.

## 200 CLUB –

A few of us took on the 200 Club last year but no longer wish to continue. Anyone who would be prepared to take this on, please contact any of the following people:-

Elspeth Brown. 07720419929

Alexis Mitchell. 07849959439

Val Gillan or Peter Lally

## CELEBRATING OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Our school community is witness to the Gospel in many ways:

1. Learning is shaped using Gospel values, so that we learn to use our gifts and talents to be better versions of ourselves.
2. We join in prayer every morning, and remember our Church, spread throughout the world.
3. Our school promotes social justice so that the mission of the Church is heard by all.
4. The school vision is to educate the whole person- body, mind and soul – so that we may be confident in our response to God's call.
5. Our school is a place of worship and celebration and is an opportunity for all to encounter Christ.

*Please pray for the Students and Staff of St David's, St Martin's and Our Lady of Loretto Schools.*

## VOTING RIGHTS

East Lothian Council has led a public consultation to take views on whether the voting rights of Church Representatives on its Education and Children's Services Committee are to be removed. If this proposal is carried forward, it will pose a serious threat to the capacity of the Church to influence decisions regarding Catholic education and Catholic schools in East Lothian. The Church Representative represents the Archdiocese and works to support Catholic families in East Lothian. A template letter is available at the back of the Church to lobby councillors before this matter is discussed on 12 Dec. Find your councillor at:

[www.eastlothian.gov.uk/councillors/ward](http://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/councillors/ward)

Please help ensure our Church Representative retains their right to vote on the Committee

## Next Weekend – Special Collection

### Pope Francis Day for the Poor and Catholic Education

I have put these two collections together to reduce the number of collections! If you wish to stipulate what your donation goes to then please simply put it in an envelope and let us know. The Pope Francis Monies will go to the SSVP furniture project in Fife.