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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

15 APRIL 2018

Parish Priest - Fr Jeremy Bath

Date	St John Cantius and St Nicholas	St Philomena	Feast Day
Saturday 14 April	5.30 pm Vigil Mass Winnie Duffy RIP	9.30 am Mass Ann Catherine Peppers (nee Lyons) and all the Lyons family	Second Week of Easter
Sunday 15 April	9.30 am Mass Leonard Langton RIP	11.30 am Mass For the People of the Parish	Third Sunday of Easter
Monday 16 April	9.30 am Mass John Lennon Kane RIP	No Mass	St Magnus
Tuesday 17 April	6.00 pm Mass John Arthur RIP	9.30 am Mass Ann Dunleavie RIP	Third Week of Easter
Wed, 18 April	9.30 am Mass Chris McNulty RIP	No Mass	St Duthac
Thursday 19 April	No Mass	9.30 am Mass Edwin Green RIP	Third Week of Easter
Friday 20 April	9.30 am Mass Annie Breslin RIP	10.30 am Mass Peter Samuel (AV)	Third Week of Easter
Saturday 21 April	5.30 pm Vigil Mass For the People of the Parish	10.30 am St Peregrine Mass Special Intention	Third Week of Easter
Sunday 22 April	9.30am Mass Philomena Gordon (AV)	11.30am Mass Alex Renton (AV)	Fourth Sunday of Easter B

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Broxburn: Mon. Wed. Fri. 8.30 am

Winchburgh: Tues. Sat. 8.30 am

CONFESSIONS: Broxburn: Sat. 4.45 pm - 5.15 pm. Tues. 6.30pm

Winchburgh: Fri. 11.00 am. Sat. 10.15 am.

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THEME

'Prophecy and Flesh': Tell me, can you predict how you are going to die? In truth, very few of us would wish to predict how we will depart from this world in death. How different that is with Jesus. He says boldly, after His resurrection, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.' Jesus is one of very few people in the history of the world for whom the manner of His death is prophesised. Just as it is prophesised that He would rise from the dead on the third day. This whose construction of words makes it clear that God planned this long before it took place; that His Son, Jesus, would become flesh and blood. Now it is for us in our own mortal existence, in our own flesh and blood, not to determine our manner of death but to ensure our rising from the dead by following the teaching and example of Jesus Himself. Above all else, to keep His Commandments.

REFLECTION

"The Missionary Dynamic of the Parish Today": 'The Parish Priest, as a representative of Christ who is the Head and Shepherd of the Church, has as his principal mission, the proclamation of the Word of God and the sanctification of men and women through the celebration of the Sacraments. To support this, the priest should delegate appropriate temporal and administrative tasks to qualified and faithful lay persons, thereby fostering a broader participation of the laity in the parishes' affairs. This is all the more important when a priest is responsible for more than one parish. When parishioners become closely involved in the life of the parish community, they themselves often become evangelised through the sharing of their own faith. When assigning particular ministries and responsibilities in the parish, care should be taken that particular gifts of young people, new immigrants and those often marginalised, are not passed over.' (*Canadian Bishops' Conference*).



SHARED PARISH NEWS

'Passing on the Faith': Priests, parents and teachers should be reminded of the important responsibility they have of passing on the Catholic Faith to the children of today who will be the parents of tomorrow:

- (i) The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) class starts up again in Broxburn this week on Tuesday evening at 7.00 pm.
- (ii) The Primary Four parents are invited to a preparation meeting in both parishes over the next two weeks in Broxburn and Winchburgh as follows:
Primary Four Parents Broxburn - Tuesday 17 April at 6.00 pm Mass followed by a meeting in the church.
Primary Four Parents Winchburgh - Sunday 22 April at 11.30 am Mass, followed by a meeting in the church.
N.B. - All Primary Four children making their First Holy Communion should and must be attending Mass every Sunday. The Children's Liturgy will also help them to prepare.
- (iii) The next Baptism Course for Infant Baptisms is on Monday 30 April at 7.00 pm in SS John Cantius and Nicholas Church, Broxburn.

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Attention all Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, otherwise known as 'Eucharistic Ministers.' There is a training session and review on Saturday 05 May at 11.00 am in SS John Cantius and Nicholas Church's sacristy for both parishes. We will cover:

- (i) Refinement of good practice.
- (ii) Prayer life fit for Ministry.
- (iii) Weekly cover and rotas.
- (iv) Safeguarding.
- (v) Housebound visitations.
- (vi) Re-commissioning on Pentecost Sunday.

Father Jeremy's Silver Jubilee - Tuesday 01 May: Numbers are required for those who wish to attend the Mass at 12 noon, followed by the lunch in the Canon Hoban Hall at 1.30 pm. It would be important to know by Sunday 22 April those who wish to attend. Please use the 'sign-up' sheet at the back of the church. Thank you. There will also be a Ceilidh on Friday 04 May in St Philomena's Hall, Winchburgh. Forty tickets per parish are available. The band is 'Muckle Flugga.' Tickets are free and are available from Kathleen Steyn, Broxburn, and from Margaret Byrne in Winchburgh. Available on first-come-first-served basis.

The Reverend Canon Michael Bagan RIP: We pray for the repose of the soul of Canon Mike Bagan who died suddenly last Sunday morning - 08 April. We pray for his family, friends and his parishioners in Bannockburn and Cowie. His funeral arrangements are still to be finalised. May he rest in peace.

Pilgrimage to Gozo: Attention all those who are going on the Pilgrimage to Gozo. There is a final briefing and film show in the Canon Hoban Hall on Sunday 22 April at 3.00 pm. Please ensure you attend.

St Peregrine Mass - Winchburgh: This Mass will take place on Saturday 21 April at 10.30 am in St Philomena's Church, Winchburgh, with provision of anointing the seriously ill. Teas/coffees will be served in the hall after the Mass.

Month's Mind Masses:

- (i) Fr Joe Portelli RIP: St Agatha's Church, Methil, Fife. Monday 16 April at 7.00 pm.
- (ii)
- (iii) Cardinal Keith Patrick O'Brien RIP: St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. Thursday 19 April at 12.45 pm.

Newsflash - NEXT SUNDAY 22 APRIL: This day marks the 'World Day of Prayer for Vocations.' Please pray for more Priests, Religious and Deacons.

Scottish Catholic Education Community: To mark the centenary of the 1918 Education (Scotland Act) a National Schools' Mass will take place at Falkirk Football Stadium on Thursday 14 June 2018 at 1.00 pm. On this occasion every Catholic school in Scotland will be able to gather as a community of faith and learning and celebrate Mass together. As the clergy are a vital part of the life

of Catholic schools there will be many priests concelebrating at this Mass. For more information telephone Barbara Coupar, Director, Scottish Catholic Education Service on 0141 556 4727 or e-mail: mail@sces.uk.com.

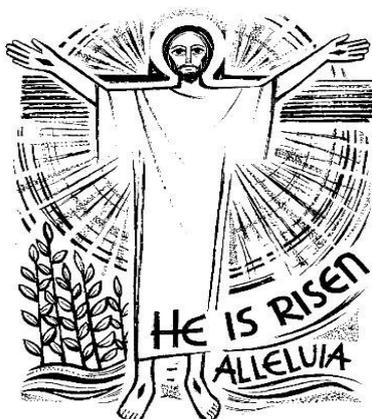
Safe Families Training Day: Safe Families for Children has a training day on Saturday 28 April from 9.30 am - 4.00 pm at Davidson's Mains Parish Church, 1 Quality Street, Edinburgh EH4 5BB. Could you demonstrate the love of Jesus to children and families who are going through a rough time? By offering friendship, hospitality, or skills and resources you can get alongside families in your community who have no-one to turn to. Please contact the office on 0131 603 8430 for more information.' Alan Gray, Church and Volunteer Co-ordinator. See poster in the church porch.

Cardinal O'Brien's Requiem Mass: There are copies at the back of the church of the Homily of Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, which was said at Cardinal O'Brien's Requiem Mass last week.

Night Calls - St John's Hospital: Fr Jeremy will be attending Night Calls at the hospital from 16 to 23 April.

Praying for the Sick: Amongst all those who are sick at this time please remember: Paddy Clarke, Jim McCabe (Jnr), Susan McCabe, Rose Feerick, Mary Flora Galbraith, Margaret Burns, Andrew Graham, Tom Pegg, Ilene Malloy, John Philbin, Helen Jeffrey, Anne Marie Ross, Ellen and Derek Brown, Bill Forrester, Margaret Hill, Neil Pettigrew, Sheila Wotherspoon, May Lawson, Martin Donoghue, Margaret Foodie, Mary Doyle, Mary Boylan, Marion Caulfield, Bridget Nelson, Chris Brown. Our Lady, Patroness of the Sick, pray for them.

Next Sunday's Readings: (Fourth Sunday of Easter - 22 April). First reading: a reading from the Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12. Psalm: 117. Second reading: a reading from the first letter of St John 3:1-2. Gospel: John 10:11-18.



ST PHILOMENA'S PARISH

Fabric Update: The new roof project for the church has started and is expected to go on for the next 10 weeks. Please know your patience and understanding is appreciated. N.B. Week-day Masses on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday will take place in St Philomena's Hall. Week-end Masses, unless otherwise advised, will be in the church as usual. Access to the parish house and hall will continue to take place as usual.

Parish Pastoral Council: This will be on Tuesday 24 April at 7.30 pm in the parish house. All nominated parishioners are expected to attend. Thank you.

Winchburgh Community Development Trust: The Trust is holding an Open Meeting in St Philomena's Hall on Saturday 28 April from 10.00 am - 12.30 pm. Find out what the Trust does and how you can be involved. Discuss the report from last year's village consultation. There will be a shale village exhibition, old maps and photographs. If you are new to the village find out about our heritage. It will also be a chance to collect stories and memories of the past. You will be able to become a member of the Trust - it's free! Meet and chat with other villagers - all welcome. Teas/coffees and tray bakes will be supplied. More information from the leaflets at the door.

Vestry Hour: The next Vestry Hour is on Friday 20 April at 6.00 pm. For all general pastoral enquiries.

Housebound Visits: Fr Jeremy will visit the housebound on Tuesday 17 April.

Collections: Offertory: £286.46. Thank you for your generosity.

ST JOHN CANTIUS AND ST NICHOLAS PRISH

Broxburn Silver Band: A meeting has been organised in the Canon Hoban Hall on Sunday 22 April after 9.30 am Mass for players/ex-players or any interested people to discuss the future or demise of Broxburn Catholic Silver Band. We are hoping for a good attendance at this meeting to secure the future of our silver band. "I would dearly love the band to be resurrected." (Father Jeremy).

Church Car Parking: There are still a number of cars not adhering to the parking system on entering and leaving the church car park. You are reminded that cars should enter the church car park via Lychgate Lane and leave via the drive at the front of the church onto the main road.

Canon Hoban Hall: The following work has been carried out in the hall: the exterior doors at the sides and the front door have been prepared and undercoated for painting; the exterior of the windows and frames have been washed - cost £95.00. The chimney has had the facing removed and replaced - cost £1,700.00. A new alarm system and CCTV have been installed - £1,800.00. Two induction heaters have been installed in the back office - cost £650.00.

Quiz/Bingo Night - Mary's Meals: Reminder of the Quiz/Bingo Night in the Canon Hoban Hall on Saturday 21 April at 7.30 pm. Any donations of prizes will be gratefully received. There are forms in the porch for names of team leaders and the numbers in teams (up to five only). For more details telephone Kathleen on 01506 852403. Tickets are £5.00 per adult. Buffet will be provided.

Fabric Report: The choir loft stair has been restored and a carpet laid in the gallery. The sacristy has also been redecorated, and the connecting doors made 'Health and Safety' compliant.

Baptism: We pray for Charlie Gavin who is due to be baptised today, Sunday, and for his parents and godparents.

Teas/Coffees: The teas/coffees will resume in the hall next Sunday 22 April. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Church Cleaning Rota: 30 April - Group 4.

Vestry Hour: The next Vestry Hour is on Wednesday 18 April at 4.00 pm. For all general pastoral enquiries.

Collections: Offertory: £912.12. Building Fund: £554.30. Candles: £119.70. SCIAF: £106.34. Thank you for your generosity.

'59 Club': (No. 13). Group 1 - J Chapman. Group 2 - M Hughes