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SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2019

31st Sunday of the Year - Year C

At the time of Jesus, tax collectors were put in the same category as thieves, murderers and prostitutes. And because they worked for the Romans, they were also regarded as traitors and treated as outcasts.

We can understand then how the people of Jericho were

offended when Jesus went to the house of Zacchaeus. But Jesus justified his action by saying that Zacchaeus too was a son of Abraham and therefore has as much right to the mercy of God as any other Israelite. He went on to declare that it was to seek out and save people like Zacchaeus that he had come.

Touched by the kindness of Jesus, Zacchaeus saw the error of his ways and resolved to change. Here we again see Luke's concerns for the proper use of wealth - it should be distributed to the poor.



Confession:

St Andrew's: Sat 9am & 4.30pm

St Peter's: Sat 10am

St Philip's: Sat 9am

St Theresa's: Sun after 11.30am

Adoration:

St Andrew's: Tue 10am to 11am

Thu 7pm to 8pm

Sat 4.30pm to 5pm

St Peter's: Sat 10am to 10.30am

St Philip's: Sat 9am to 9.15am

Morning Prayer:

St Philip's: Tue, Thu & Sat
9.15am

Parish office opening hours:

Mon, Tue, Wed & Thu

9.30am to 12.30pm

Shared News ...

Welcome Back: Welcome back to Fr Kenneth. Fr Simon is PARTICULARLY delighted he is now back!

Youth Club Leaders: Can all the Youth Club leaders please meet with Fr Kenneth on Tuesday 5 November at 7.00pm in St Theresa's.

St Margaret's Academy Open Evening: Will be held on Thursday 7 November from 6.30pm - 8.00pm. Classroom activities, displays, science experiments, music and more. After an introduction to the school, P7 parents and pupils are free to explore and find out more about life in the school. Everyone is welcome.

Holy Family Lay Associates: St Andrew's and St Peter's group will meet on Thursday 7 November at 7.30pm in St Peter's side hall. Everyone welcome.

RCIA: This coming week the group will meet on Friday 8th at 7.00pm in St Peter's.

Youth Club: Will next take place on Sunday 10 November from 6.00pm - 8.00pm in the Lanthorn.

Link to Hope Family & Elderly Shoebox Appeal: Reminder that shoeboxes will be collected from the Lanthorn on 10 November.

St Andrew's Golden Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi: There will be a meeting on Wednesday 13 November at 7.00pm in St Andrew's church hall for those interested in a pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi in October 2020. Information is available at the back of the church. Everyone from our four parishes and friends from elsewhere are welcome on the trip.

Presentation of the Gospel: Children who are preparing to receive First Holy Communion should attend Mass on Sunday 17th when they will be presented with a copy of the Gospel of Matthew.

Safeguarding Induction Part 1: An additional safeguarding induction part 1 session will be held in St Andrew's shalom chapel on Monday 2 December from 7.00pm - 8.30pm. Please note this is for volunteers who have not yet undertaken any safeguarding training.

Thank You: Mary's Meals collected 200 bags last weekend and would like to thank everyone for their support and generosity.

Next Sunday's Readings (10.11.19): 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14; Psalm 16; 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5; Luke 20:27-38.

Recently Deceased: Ellen Shiels, Vincent Moran **Anniversaries (November):** Colin Phair, Charlie McGillivray, Adelaide Martins, Brian McKenna, Elizabeth Fleming

ST PETER'S ...

Fr Simon: In Fr Simon's absence, the phone will be diverted to the parish office so please contact Karen or Clare who will be able to point you in the right direction. Fr Kenneth is available for any pastoral needs.

Rosary Group: Will now meet directly after Wednesday morning Mass.

Knit & Natter: Until further notice, will meet at 1.00pm on Wednesdays.

Mission Sunday: If there are any boxes still to be handed in, please bring them as soon as possible as this appeal has now closed. We can then send off our total donation.

Project Ghana: Any donations for Fr John should be put in an envelope marked 'Project Ghana' and given directly to Fr Simon.

Mass Reading Sheets: These are available to download from the Vienna International Religious Centre website <http://www.virc.at>

Universal Media: As you know, we will be cancelling this subscription as we don't sell enough copies of the newspaper. We have discovered that for £12 per year you can look at a digital copy from the comfort of your own home. Visit <https://www.thecatholicuniverse.com/>

Last Sunday's Collection: £955.11; **Church Stall:** £49.41; **Mission Sunday:** £453.92; **Sunday Teas (Ghana Project):** £147.70

ST THERESA'S...

Baptism: Please pray for Carson Millar who will be baptised today.

Rosary: The rosary will be recited every Monday morning after 9.00am Mass. Everyone is welcome.

Last Sunday's Collection:

£417.00; **Bonus Ball Winner:** No 32 St Theresa's

ST PHILIP'S ...

Gifts for Christmas: The SVDP Giving Tree will be up on 24 November and 1 December. Please pick up a tag and return gifts by 8 December. Thank you.

Last Sunday's Collection: £555.49

200 Club: TBC; **Sanctuary**

Candle: Eddie Coen & deceased members of Coen family

ST ANDREW'S ...

Wednesday 6th: The children from P6 will join us for Mass on Wednesday morning.

Loan Fund: The outstanding current loan figure is £2,550.67. Thank you.

Last Sunday's Collection: £867.79;

2020: £108.00; **200 Club:** No 78 & No 120; **Sanctuary Candle:** Happy Special Birthday



Dear parishioners ... those from Scotland and also those from different parts of 'the one world'.

You live close to your Polish neighbours, work with them and perhaps have children or grandchildren who go to school with Polish children. Here in Livingston we share the same churches and often we pray together so I thought it appropriate to share with you some of our traditional ways of celebrating important days in November and Advent.

1st November - All Saints' Day & 2nd November - All Souls' Day

On Saints' Day and All Souls' Day we have the beautiful tradition of decorating cemeteries with thousands of glowing candles. On this night, the worlds of the living and the dead come closer to one another. Poles honour their deceased family and friends with memories, church services, and, of course, the flickering candles that brighten graveyards all over Poland. In Poland on All Saints' Day, November 1st, and All Souls' Day, November 2nd, people visit cemeteries and commute between them. Everyone prays at the graves of the deceased relatives, decked with fresh flowers for the occasion and light candles. For the month of November the special *LITANIES OF NAMES OF DECEASED ARE RECITED WITH THE ROSARY AND DURING OUR MASSES*. They are called *WYPOMINKI* and are a very important part of our tradition of prayers for the deceased.

11th November - National Independence Day

Poland signed its historic constitution in 1791 but its independence was to be short-lived as invading forces partitioned the country between Russia, Prussia and Austria the following year. It was not until 11 November 1918 that Poland was to regain its independence. To this day, November 11th is an important civic holiday that is recognised throughout the country and is marked with patriotic parades and festivities in many of the larger towns and cities. During the weekend of 9th & 10th November we will have patriotic songs and special homilies during our Polish services in Livingston – all welcome!

Advent with candle processions – *LAMPIONY* and daily masses - RORATY

In Poland, Advent is a time of preparation and fasting, when people try not to be excessive. Some people give up their favourite foods or drinks and parties and discos are not widely held. Some people also go to Church quite frequently, even daily. There is the tradition of the 'Roraty' - Masses held at dawn and dedicated to Mary for receiving the good news from the angel Gabriel. During Advent, people also prepare their houses for Christmas. There's lots of cleaning and people wash their windows and clean their carpets thoroughly. Everything must be clean for Christmas Eve which in our tradition is more important than Christmas day!

I hope this brief information about our three main events in the coming weeks will help you to better understand what we do in the church and you are very welcome to take part in our celebrations!

Fr Peter



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WIADOMOŚCI POLSKIEJ WSPÓLNOTY W LIVINSTON



Drodzy, Autor Księgi Mądrości pięknie ukazuje Boży plan wiecznego życia dla nas w słowach: *Panie (...)* oszczędzasz wszystko, bo to wszystko Twoje, Panie, miłośniku życia. Bo we wszystkim jest Twoje nieśmiertelne tchnienie. Psalmista nas zachęca do modlitwy razem z całym stworzeniem i ze świętymi: *Niech Cię wielbią, Panie, wszystkie Twoje dzieła i niech Cię błogosławią Twoi święci.* Przed ewangelią przypomnieliśmy sobie prawdę o wielkiej miłości Boga: *Tak Bóg umiłował świat, że dał swojego Syna Jednorodzonego; każdy, kto w Niego wierzy, ma życie wieczne.* Jezus pokazywał co oznacza ta miłość w życiu społecznym. Przyjął zaproszenie od zniechęconego celnika, który wzbogacił się okradając innych. Zacheusz, zwierzchnik celników, wdrapał się na drzewo by zobaczyć Jezusa, który wprosił się na kolację do niego, choć wielu szemrało: *Do grzesznika poszedł w gościnę.* Zacheusz przejrzał i rzekł: *Panie, oto połowę mego majątku daję ubogim, a jeśli kogo w czym skrzywdziłem, zwracam poczwórnice.* Pamiętajmy, że także dzisiaj Syn Człowieczy nakazuje nam wierzącym i podążającym za Nim *szukać i zbawić to, co zginęło.* Mówmy o Jezusie z dumą i odwagą! **Modląc się przez wstawiennictwo WSZYSTKICH ŚWIĘTYCH i dziękując przebranych dzieciom za PARADĘ ŚWIĘTYCH PATRONÓW – posłuchajmy, co o modlitwie za zmarłych mówił Św. Wincenty Pallotti: *POWINNIŚMY POMAGAĆ DUSZOM CZYŚCOWYM... SZCZEGÓLNIIE PRZEZ MSZE ŚWIĘTE, MODLITWY I POSTY.* Ks. P**

DATE	ST ANDREW'S	ST PETER'S	ST PHILIP'S	ST THERESA'S	FEAST DAY
Sun 3 Nov	9.30am Polish PK 11.30am Mass KO <i>Edward Lafferty RIP</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>People of the Parish</i> 5.30pm Mass JS <i>Frank Reilly RIP</i>	9.30am Mass JS <i>Ernestina Tudare RIP</i>	11.30am Mass SH <i>People of the Parish</i>	31st Sunday of the Year - Year C
Mon 4 Nov	No Service	No Service	No Service	9.00am Mass JS <i>Norah Haynes</i>	Memorial of St Charles Borromeo
Tue 5 Nov	9.30am Mass JS <i>Theresa Devlin</i>	No Service	9.30am Mass KO <i>Johnny Byrne</i>	No Service	Tuesday 31st week of the year
Wed 6 Nov	9.30am Mass KO <i>Mary Nolan & Family</i>	No Service	No Service	6.00pm Mass JS <i>Mrs Donelly</i>	Wednesday 31st week of the year
Thu 7 Nov	9.30am JS <i>Kathleen Morrison</i>	No Service	9.30am Mass KO <i>Maria Tonner</i>	No Service	Thursday 31st week of the year
Fri 8 Nov	No Service	No Service	No Service	9.00am Mass KO <i>Veronica Walsh RIP</i>	Memorial of Blessed John Duns Scotus
Sat 9 Nov	9.30am Mass JS 5.30pm Vigil JS <i>May Kelly</i>	6.30pm Polish PK	9.30am Mass KO <i>Catherine Doyle</i>	No Service	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Sun 10 Nov	9.30am Polish PK 11.30am Mass JS <i>People of the Parish</i>	9.30am Mass JS <i>Margaret Ingles</i> 5.30pm Mass JS	9.30am Mass KO <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.30am Mass KO <i>Jerry McCool</i>	32nd Sunday of the Year - Year C