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Sunday 4th October 2020 – 27th Sunday In Ordinary Time – Year A

Regular updates on what is happening in the parish due to the coronavirus are being emailed to those who are on the Parish Distribution List (these emails come from Admin St Ninians).

Because they are a group email some email providers block them or class them as spam so please check your junk folder if you have not received them.

If you wish to receive the updates you will need to be on the Parish Distribution List, and you can join by emailing:

stniniandtriduaana1@gmail.com

Daily Mass

The church is open for people to attend Mass at **10 am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday**. All the rules regarding social distancing, wearing a mask etc that we follow on Sunday still apply. There is currently no need to book for daily Mass.

Booking for Mass

Our booking system for weekend Mass is working well overall and many thanks to everyone for their cooperation. Please remember that if you do not attend one weekend it is **essential** that you phone to book when next you wish to come to Mass otherwise your 'place' will be allocated to someone else. Also ensure that you make clear if your booking is for more than one person. To book text/phone to 07710 720 774 or email des@mercattours.com

Help to clean the pews after each Mass is also appreciated. It only takes a few minutes if a fair number are involved in the task.

SCIAF – WEE Boxes

A big thank you to everyone who gave to the SCIAF collection - **£350** was raised. This will be doubled by the Government. We are still accepting SCIAF boxes so if you have any boxes at home following this year's Lenten Wee Box Appeal please bring them along so we can count them and send the money to SCIAF.

One World Group

In these difficult times, the One World Group members continue to pray the Rosary (Joyous Mysteries) in their homes at 7.30 pm each Monday evening. Please join us. If you have any prayer intentions you would like us to pray for, please let us know. You can contact me as below in the 'newsletter' section.

Parish Garden

The **Eco-garden** is open on Sundays after the 10.15 mass until 11.30 (weather permitting). There is limited seating due to social distancing, though a household can sit together. You are welcome to bring a flask/soft drink or just to enjoy some company.

The garden is also open on Tuesdays until 12noon. (See picture at the bottom.)

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Why an Eco-Garden?

Episode 4. An Outdoor Space for Community and Liturgy

The work of restoring and building the Eco-garden has been a community project with many people offering gifts of tools, plants, seeds, donations for bulbs as well as contributing their ideas, labour and enthusiasm.

The children from St Ninian's School have also been involved, planting bulbs and making the Eco-garden notice-board and coming to the Dedication Service for the garden, beautifully organised by Fr Syriac.

Because of the pandemic, the garden became unexpectedly useful this year, as a social space to meet and chat outside after Mass on a Sunday. And recently, on Tuesday mornings, the day we come to work in the garden, it has also been open for an hour as a place to sit and chat and enjoy being outside. Recently, we have begun to include a short time for meditation. The Finance Committee has also used the Garden for their meetings.

For the Future

This week, for the feast of St Francis, some art work and some poems/prayers which have been written will be installed to improve the top end of the garden, where, because of the shade, it is more difficult to grow things. Unfortunately, because of the present situation, they will not be able to take part in a celebration.

At the far end of the garden we are installing a wildlife pond. A doorway may be knocked in the wall here, to improve access. Further into the future, we would like to develop our use of the front garden as well. There are plans for a Peace Pole, with a message in all the different languages used in our parish written on it, to remind us that we are from many different backgrounds, but we form one community, "with a common purpose and a common mind" *St Paul, Philippians, 2*.

In the future we hope the garden will be used more for services – the chance to express outdoors our appreciation of nature and our wish to be good stewards of God's creation – as well as for enjoyment.

This is all part of our development as an Eco-Congregation and our wish to move towards the Bronze Award. Thank you to everyone who has helped and everyone who has come to enjoy the garden!

Please Pray for Fr Piotr

Please continue to pray that Fr Piotr will make a full recovery following his heart problems.

PRAYING FOR LIFE

You're invited to join other Christians for 4 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also to stand and peacefully pray during a 40 day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Chalmers Sexual Health Centre, Chalmers Street, Edinburgh. For more information - and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact:

Food Bank Wilson Memorial

The Food Bank at Wilson Memorial is operating – under Covid conditions! They are busier than ever and require donations of all sorts. We will be collecting items for the food bank so please if you can, buy a few extras in your weekly shop and put them in the box at the back of the church.

Looking to the future with hope, faith and vision

The Caritas, Justice and Peace Commission of the Archdiocese invites you to a short retreat on St Francis' Feast Day **Sunday 4th October 2020 2:30- 4.30pm, using Zoom**

It is to mark the end of the Season of Creation, within "Laudato Si' year" which opened last May.

The retreat is a response to the Pope and our Bishops, who challenge us to act in hope to prepare the future: a revitalised post-COVID, ecologically sustainable world. We will explore how Laudato Si, Pope Francis' letter to the world, is steeped in warmth and love for the earth and its people. Pope Francis talks to us about our common home, gently but firmly and uncompromisingly telling us that we are destroying our abode. Pope Francis calls us to cherish and renew our relationship with the earth, and to hear the cry of the earth caused by the damage humans are doing and the connected cry of the poor.

Join us on October 4th

In the first hour, Fr Basil Clark, together with members of the Commission and its network, will lead us into reflecting on St Francis and the teaching of Pope Francis and the Vatican.

After a short break, in the second hour we will focus on our personal responses.

We will hear about, and be invited into circles of people being formed in the archdiocese to meet regularly to pray and act in partnership with the Holy Spirit in response to our times.

We invite you to register at <https://tinyurl.com/Retreat4Oct> .

edinburgh40days@gmail.com or visit www.40daysforlife.com/edinburgh

Scottish Domestic Abuse Helpline

(24 hours): 0800 027 1234.

Safeguarding Contacts

<https://archedinburgh.org/administration/safeguarding>

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Advisor Emma Boothroyd

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National Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Tina Campbell 0141 332 7177

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Parish Safeguarding Contact is Fiona Tracey.

Newsletter

Any items by Wednesday midday please to Carol Mulvenna, work – 672 0134, home 672 1223, mobile 07762 924916, email cmulvenna@btinternet.com

If you know of anyone who would like the newsletter emailed to you each week, please let me know by emailing me as above.

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# LAURISTON JESUIT CENTRE

## 'The Four Last Things'

On the Feast of St Andrew the Lauriston Jesuit Centre will change its name to the Edinburgh Jesuit Centre. To mark this momentous occasion we present a farewell celebration cocktail of talks covering important topics such as the Amazon Synod, Black History Month, Climate Change and Pope Francis' upcoming encyclical on fraternity and social friendship. Join us for our final series every Tuesday in October, 7.30pm on Zoom & Facebook Live. We are delighted to announce our four final speakers:

### Mauricio Lòpez

(Executive Secretary of  
REPAM)



'The Amazon Synod 1  
Year On... Progress &  
Procrastination'

6<sup>th</sup> October

7.30pm

### Wezi Mhura

(Producer of the Black  
Lives Matter Mural Trail)



'Black History Month'

13<sup>th</sup> October

7.30pm

### Adrian Shaw

(Climate Change Officer  
for Eco-congregations)



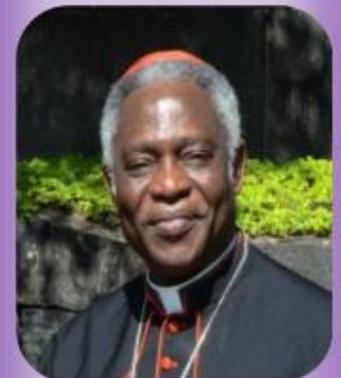
'The Climate Emergency,  
COP & the Coronavirus:  
How do we respond?'

20<sup>th</sup> October

7.30pm

### Cardinal Peter

### Turkson



'On Fraternity & Social  
Friendship: Exploring Pope  
Francis' Latest Encyclical'

27<sup>th</sup> October

7.30pm

### Zoom Login Information:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2365092814>  
or Meeting ID: 236 509 2814

View on Facebook live by typing Lauriston Jesuit Centre into Facebook

For more information contact [lauristonjesuitcentre@jesuit.org.uk](mailto:lauristonjesuitcentre@jesuit.org.uk)

Join us on **Tuesday 6th October @ 7.30pm for our first talk of the series with Mauricio Lopez.**

Login using the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2365092814> or Meeting ID: 236 509 2814

**We will also be livestreaming to our Facebook page!**

**Live Streaming of Mass:** to enable our Sick and Housebound to have access to Mass we are live streaming all our Masses on **YouTube** at **Ss Ninian and Triduana Church – Edinburgh –**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCe3s0H-F34kn7TVdGapC6Kw/live>

## **Gospel, Matthew 21: 33-43 – He will lease the vineyard to other tenants**

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, “Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next, he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son’ he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance.’ So, they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes what will he do to those tenants?” They answered, “He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders  
that became the keystone.

This was the Lord’s doing  
and it is wonderful to see?

“I tell you, then that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.”

*The Gospel of the Lord*

### **Reflection – Dealing with Injustice**

*Adults:* How have you used your talents and abilities well for the Reign of God?

*Children:* What can you do in your week to help the love of God grow in the world?

