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Fr Josh Moir



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Fr Josh Moir arrived in Kilsyth on Friday the 1st September 2023.

Fr Moir was born in Melrose in 1993.

He was educated at St Margaret's Primary School, Galashiels and Galashiels Academy. He studied Philosophy and English Literature at the University of Edinburgh, before undertaking studies at the Pontifical Scots College, Rome.

He was ordained by Archbishop Leo Cushley at Our Lady and St Andrew's, Galashiels on the 28th June 2022, the Vigil of the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul.

After his ordination Fr Moir continued his studies for a year at The Scots College in Rome.

Like so many other priests in the history of our Archdiocese, St Patrick's Kilsyth is Fr Moir's first parish placement in what we hope will be the first in a long and fruitful vocation as a priest of the Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh.

During Lent 2025 Fr Josh gave a memorable lecture about the history of the Scavi beneath the crypt of St Peter's in Rome, where as a student for the priesthood he worked as a guide for a number of years. He was subsequently able to obtain tickets to the Scavi for a number of Kilsyth parishioners who travelled to Rome for the Holy Year 2025.

Fr Josh was stationed in Kilsyth until Saturday 3rd Jan 2026 when, after morning Mass, he transferred to St Mary's Cathedral Edinburgh.



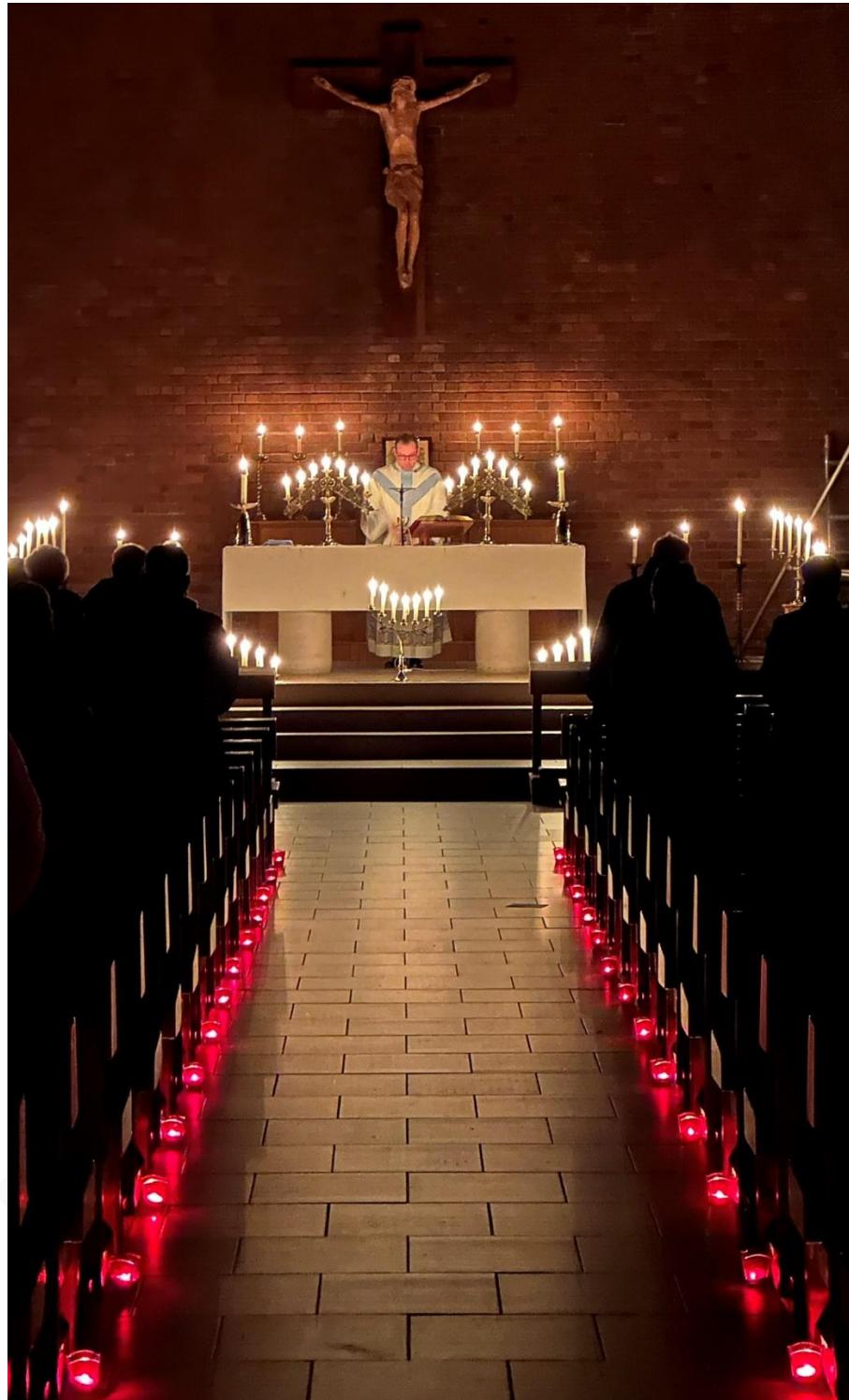
Fr Moir is ordained to the holy priesthood by Archbishop Leo Cushley at Our Lady & St Andrew's in Galashiels on the 28th June 2022. (Photo credit: Paul McSherry)



Fr Josh Moir after 11:30 Mass on Sunday 3rd Sept 2023 at St Patrick's Kilsyth



Fr Moir started his ministry in Kilsyth by celebrating his first baptism in the parish on his first Sunday, 3rd September 2023, here in Kilsyth.



Fr Josh Moir says one of the candlelit Masses for Advent on Wednesday
20th December 2023 at St Patrick's Kilsyth



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Fr Josh Moir was celebrant at Midnight Mass in St Patrick's for Christmas 2025. He is shown here with Mr Nicolas Chapman and Deacon Jacob Derry who were visiting Kilsyth from the Pontifical American College in Rome. Mr Chapman and Deacon Derry are from the Diocese of Lancing, Michigan USA and assisted at Masses throughout that Christmas holiday week.



Fr Moir takes the opportunity to visit the church roof during routine maintenance autumn 2023