

LOOKING AHEAD in 2026—SOME HIGHLIGHTS

Good Friday Seven Churches Pilgrimage. Adapting an ancient custom, visiting seven Christian places of worship around the city-centre. We start at EJC 09.00, stopping for a time of prayer in each church, finishing at Edinburgh Jesuit Church of the Sacred Heart for the 3pm solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

Young Adult Pilgrimage: Roma Ignaziana (Ignatian Rome). 1st to 4th May; exploring Rome, the "eternal city", in the footsteps of St. Ignatius and his first Jesuit companions. Mass with our Roman Ignatian YA counterparts at 7pm, Sunday. See our flyer and the WhatsApp group.

Retreats in Daily Life: guided individual retreats in the Ignatian tradition: **Lent 2026**, 4 weeks, 1st to 29th March, partnering with St. Paul's & St. George's Church, New Town; see posters/Linktree.

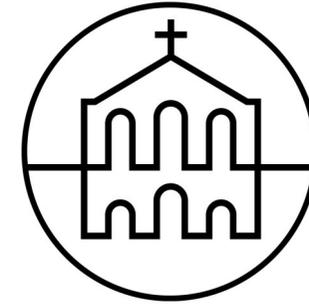
Eastertide 2026, "Hearts on Fire" – 2 weeks, 3rd to 17th May, a guided retreat-in-daily-life planned particularly for young adults.

HOW to get involved.

Can you offer your time, talent & treasure to Edinburgh Jesuit Church Young Adult Ministry? Here are ways of serving our YA community.

- **The Sacred Liturgy.** We invite young adults to take on roles & responsibilities at The Seven. These ministries include: Readers, Altar-servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Welcomers, Socials & hospitality after The Seven, planning & running social events.
- **Social Media:** skills, video editing, content creation.
- **Music ministry:** singers, instrumentalists.
- **The wider community** here at EJC: there are many opportunities and needs to serve & support the life & ministry of this city-church, which cannot function without such generosity.

The Parish Priest (Adrian Porter sj), the Pastoral Associate (Mr. Andrew Cassidy) and the YAM Lead (David Stewart sj) work with our advisory Core Group of young adults to enable and resource this Jesuit ministry.



Jesuit Church of the Sacred Heart Young Adult Ministry programme, winter, spring & summer 2026

A Catholic community of young adults
at the heart of Edinburgh

Young Adult Ministry is a key part of the mission of the Jesuit Church of the Sacred Heart, Edinburgh, offering opportunities for worship, companionship, faith development, prayer and service of the poor, together creating a hope-filled future.



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The Seven - our Young Adult Mass in our beautiful church and our social gathering afterwards, in the church Narthex. Each Sunday at 19.00 in Edinburgh



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YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES
Jesuit Church of the Sacred Heart. We welcome all young adults, 20s & 30s, seekers or committed; our celebrants/preachers are from the Edinburgh Jesuit Community and guests.

NB: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated 18.25—18.45 before The Seven, also 12.00—12.25 daily; & at other times by appointment.

The Young Adult Social - Our friendly Social after Mass, with a glass of wine or hot drink, a snack ... and good Catholic company with other young adults.

Music ministry: good music features in all our worship here. Singers/players are always welcome! Ask for details or speak to Brian at Mass.

First Sunday Circle is our monthly speaker-and-discussion series, after The Seven until about 9.15pm. In an informal social setting, an invited speaker presents a topic concerning Catholic belief & life, of interest to young adults, followed by listening to each other and discussion, in a safe space (and always with our essential social element).

Spring Series: “Discerning your path: How can the spiritual legacy of St. Ignatius Loyola help us to make good and wise decisions?”

1st March—David Stewart SJ, “Another look at Ignatian Discernment”
[April—no session, Easter Day]

3rd May—Adrian Porter SJ (our PP) “Finding God’s Purpose in the Scriptures”

7th June—Bryant King & CLC partners—“Contemplatives in Action—Living Out Ignatian Discernment in Today’s World”.

5th July—Jamie McMorrin, Archdiocese, PP at Davidson’s Mains—“you will show me the Path of Life: Discerning with King David”.

First Sunday Circle Day Retreat—new for 2026, Roger Dawson SJ, retreat director & clinical psychologist, leads a day uniting these themes, entitled “**Vocational Discernment**—*what it is (& what it isn’t) and what a good & successful Discernment looks like*”. Sat 30th May, 10.00-16.00.

Retreats & prayer. A schedule of retreats-in-daily-life, for busy people, for younger adults and all who come to this Jesuit city-church. See the back page.

Spiritual / Prayer accompaniment: personal, confidential spiritual conversation & prayer-guidance, including discernment support, is available by appointment with a trained & experienced guide.

CLC - Christian Life Community, “the lay Ignatian way”; small, stable listening groups meeting every few weeks to share their life & prayer; part of a single world community since its 1563 beginnings. Six groups meet regularly at EJC; with at least one more group forming in 2026.



ALL CLC groups Contemplative Mass and Bring & Share supper:
Friday 8th May at 7pm, in the church then Lauriston Hall.

Becoming Catholic: more and more young adults are discovering the beauty of the Catholic faith! Over the last few years several have joined our community through our RCIA programme. If you're interested in learning more or taking the next step, please contact Andrew Cassidy (ejcpastoral@jesuit.org.uk).

“Praying off the Page”: new for 2026, an hour of quiet Ignatian imaginative prayer; led by Andrew in the Manresa Room. 7pm; 24/3, 28/4, 13/5, 11/6.

The Care-Van. This is our chosen Christian service of the city’s poor & street homeless. We crew the Bethany Christian Trust Care Van on selected evening runs around the city. The Care Van is **our official YAM Charity** and we promote fundraising events in support. Training provided.



Dates for 2026: we’ve 17 fixed dates and sometimes we’re asked to take on others at short notice. Details on or socials.

Fundraising Ceilidh for our Care Van work & for Bethany Trust: the social event of the year! Saturday 18th April, 7pm, Lauriston Hall; all welcome.

Synod Day: 23rd May, 2-5pm; developments in Synodality. All who worship here are invited; it is particularly important that Young Adult voices are heard.

First Friday Mass & Holy Hour: in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction. 7-8pm each 1st Fri.