

*THE PARISHES OF
ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE*

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*15th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
12th July 2015*

WELCOME!

If you're visiting, are new to the area, or just live here, you are most **welcome** in our sister parishes. We are delighted you have joined us. If you are new to the parish please make yourself known to Fr Jock or Pauline Connarty, our Parish Administrator, and ask for details of how to register on the parish roll ... **and a note to all parishioners to ask you to fill in a census form if you haven't already done so. Copies are available at the back of both churches.**

Fr Jock is away on pilgrimage to Lourdes this week, setting off on Wednesday 15th July and returning Saturday 24th July. He will be one of the chaplains on the Ampleforth pilgrimage (which he first went on in 1975, 40 years ago and has been on 33 times since then!). If anybody would like a petition taken, or a prayer said for a particular intention, please let him know. **Fr John Robinson** will kindly be covering for Fr Jock while he is away.

Next Sunday is Sea Sunday – when there will be a leaving collection in support of The Apostleship of the Sea, the maritime welfare and mission agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain, serving and supporting more than one million seafarers, who arrive in our ports each year.

'Your kindness is saving lives.' SCIAF have written to thank the parishioners of St Mary Magdalene's and St John's for helping people affected by the devastating earthquake in Nepal by generously donating to the recent appeal (£351.30 and £678.74 respectively). Rachel Lamb, Parish Resources Officer, writes: 'We're working through our sister charities in the Caritas network to get urgent supplies of food, water, medical care, and shelter to people in the worst hit communities. In some regions 75% of houses have collapsed and many others are badly damaged. With your help, we're supplying thousands of tents and tarpaulins to families that have lost their homes. ... It's a desperate situation, but your prayers and donations are bringing fresh hope to families as they begin rebuilding their lives.'

Thanks too ... from the parish of St Teresa of Lisieux who are offering a **food parcel service** to those in need in our community. Your continued support is very much appreciated. The food parcel service supports local families through your donations of food and dry goods. These can be left in the designated boxes at the back of each church.

IN THE WEEKS AHEAD

Saturday 18th July: 7.15pm: Lauriston Hall (Sacred Heart parish hall), Edinburgh: **GUIDES & SCOUTS OF EUROPE.** An invitation from Fr Lawrence Lew OP: "*What happens when young people take the lead? The Guides & Scouts of Europe, a vibrant international Youth Movement that is uniquely approved by the Vatican, invite young Catholics and their families to discover 'Scoutisme'. Our Movement combines Baden-Powell's traditional Scouting method with the spiritual power of the Gospel so that you can set the world on fire as God intends! Come and meet us to find out more: Sat 18 July, 7:15pm in Lauriston Hall (Sacred Heart parish hall), Edinburgh EH3 9DJ, immediately after the 6:30pm Vigil Mass in Sacred Heart church.*"

Monday 20 – Friday 24 July: 9am-12.45pm each day: PJPC Halls on Bellfield St (previously known as the Old Parish), Portobello: **WASTE WATCHERS – PORTOBELLO HOLIDAY CLUB FOR PRESCHOOL AND PRIMARY CHILDREN:** 'Come along for games, crafts, drama, music and Bible stories as we learn about caring for our world. Cost £5 per child or £1 per day, ages 3 (pre-schoolers) to 12 (p7). Email: portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com to register by 13/7/15.'

Wednesday 22nd July: 2.30pm to 4.30pm and 5.30pm to 7.30pm: Portobello Town Hall: **Blood Transfusion Service. New donors always needed.**

Sunday 26th July: 2.30pm: St Andrew's (Anglican) Church, Newgate St, Newcastle. **Annual Blessed John Ingram Walk.** This walk begins at St Andrew's Church at 2.30pm and ends with an Ecumenical Service at 3.30pm in St Edmund's Chapel, Gateshead. Maria Igoe writes:

'Blessed John Ingram (1565–94) - A Martyr with a Scottish Connection

John Ingram, a convert to Catholicism while a student at Oxford, was ordained to the priesthood in Rome. When returning to England, bad weather forced his ship off course and he was eventually put ashore near Dunbar, where he ministered to Catholics in the local area. Following an outcry in Scotland against Catholics, he was forced to flee to England but near Berwick he was arrested. Eventually he was taken to the Tower of London, where he suffered grievous torture but steadfastly refused to betray his friends and associates. From London he was sent to Durham to stand trial with two other martyrs, St. John Boste and Blessed George Swallowell. All three were convicted and condemned to be hanged, drawn and quartered. Blessed John Ingram was executed at Gateshead on Friday 26th July 1594. He was only 29 years of age. His last words to the people assembled to see him suffer were "I take God and His Holy Angels to the record that I die only for the Holy Catholic Faith and Religion, and do rejoice and thank God with all my heart that He made me worthy to testify my faith therein by the spending of my blood in this manner."

Prayer for the canonisation of Blessed John Ingram

O God, you gave us Blessed John Ingram to inspire and encourage us. Grant that we may know the benefit of his prayers – so that we, your Church, can give witness to his sanctity. We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. Amen.

If you are interested in signing a petition to support the cause of canonisation of Blessed John Ingram or wish more details about the walk, please contact Maria Igoe - 669 0247.'

Sunday 26 – Friday 31 July: Lauriston Jesuit Centre: **Ignatius Week.** A week of guided prayer, commencing with a meeting for all participants at 6.30pm on Sunday 26th July. As well as meeting daily with your prayer guide, the week will include talks and workshops on theology and spirituality by visiting Jesuits. The week will conclude with Mass and a party for the Feast of St Ignatius on Friday 31st July. Please register your interest by email to lauriston@lauriston.org.uk or contact Fr James Crampsey SJ (0131 477 5788).

NOTICEBOARD

SUMMER ACCOMMODATION IN LONDON. Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea offers comfortable rooms in central London in July & August. Beautiful gardens and chapel. Rooms from £50 per night (including breakfast). Website: www.allenhall.org.uk. Email: allenhall@rcdow.org.uk. Telephone: 020 7349 5600.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY St Joseph's House are seeking a volunteer for Reception Duties. Alternate Saturdays 2pm to 9pm at St Joseph's House, 43 Gilmore Place, Edinburgh, EH3 9NG. In the first instance please contact Mary Lewis 0131 229 5672 or email Filecentre@aol.com for further details.

VOLUNTEER TEACHING IN THE DARJEELING HILL REGION. St John's parishioner, Pauline Macinnes, writes: 'I shall be returning to the Darjeeling Hill Region to help in the 2 schools which the "Himalayan Children Education Trust" helps to support, on the 12 Oct for 8 weeks. I wonder if any retired teacher or a teacher taking time out, would like to come and help in the schools for a few weeks. Unfortunately all expenses have to be met personally, as all money raised through the Charity goes to the schools. If you are interested you can contact me on 0131 657 3411 or by e-mail pauline_macinnes@hotmail.com.'

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES. Edinburgh City Council are currently recruiting volunteers to work with older people in our community. Alexis Cumming, Volunteers Coordinator for Health & Social Care, City of Edinburgh Council, has asked us to publicise details of **two projects currently seeking friendly and committed individuals.** **Jewel Day Service, Bingham Drive,** is offering the opportunity to work a full or half day per week alongside staff focusing on cognitive stimulation therapy for people with dementia. Opportunities are also available for musicians and those who can sing as part of a group to work with the **Singing Pilot Project** meeting fortnightly on Tuesday afternoons. For more information or to arrange a chat please contact alexis.cumming@edinburgh.gov.uk or phone Alexis on 0131 469 6186.

WEDNESDAY WORD. Copies available at the back of each church. Highly recommended. Please help yourself!

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those whose have died recently, including: Ronnie Bryce and Mary O'Connor.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: Sam Kershaw, Armando Volpe, Elizabeth Jack, Alastair Dewar, Mary Macadam, Louisa Willis, Rose Marie Patterson, James Mulvey, Heather Clydesdale, Mr & Mrs Delaney, Bridget Daly, June Buchanan Ritchie, Philomena Hughes, Kate Laurie, William Smith, James Hamilton, Patricia Pringle, John Mulvey, Jessie Kelly, Maria Howieson, Philomena Donnelly, Kathleen McColl, Bridget Wigham, Margaret D'Inverno, John Sandham, Joseph O'Brien, Patrick Dourley, and Cardinal Gordon Joseph Gray.

Please pray for the sick of our sister parishes, including:

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Ina McNama, David Thom, John Cregan, Theresa Spence, Mgr James Rae, Tom Brown, Jean McCraw, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Florence & Bob Crabbe, Jimi Boyle, Michele Grandone, Jude Payne, baby Ailsa Fitzgerald, Mona Scoular, Mary Grady, Jane McGuire, Kathy & Jimmy Gallagher, Jenny Wormald, Erin Corbett, Fay Dignan, Sheila Alexander, Roz Byers, Pat Kershaw, Michael & Mamie Richards, Joan Howie, Helen Harrison, Cathy McGravie, Alf Macnamara, Jane Murray, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Malachy Meehan, Ann Ward, Gerry Houston, and Lorraine Syme.

Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's: Elizabeth Mackail, Betty McEwing, Annie Watson, Anne McGeachie, Mary Robertson, Maria Juska, Isobel Phillips, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Silvia Berry, Tony Matrundala, Jude Ferguson, Mary & James Muir, Liz Davis, Rose McKay, Laurence Kennedy, and Denis Davidson.

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: Hugh McGeady, Peter Kent, Isabel Bolus, Valentino and Paloma Rivera, Isabel McInrue, Jeanette Amos, Anne Gallagher, Denise O'Donnell, Margaret Davis, Dorothy Jamal, John Allan, Jane Morton, Christopher Browne, Christian and John Parham, Conor Kerrigan, Rupert Ridge, Marie Crolla, Vera Hawkes, Maria St. Denis, Margaret Rose, and baby Ray Donovan Syme.

Prayer

Take my heart, O Lord, with its hopes and dreams.
Take my mind with all its plans and schemes.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
These alone are enough for me.

Take my thoughts, O Lord, and my memory.
Take my tears, my joys, my liberty.
I surrender, Lord, all I have or hold.
I return to you your gifts untold.

When the darkness falls on my final days,
Take the very breath that sang your praise.

ST MARY MAGDALENE'S

Readers for this Sunday: Mary McGovern & Robert Moyes
... and for next Sunday: C MacGillivray & M Fenwick

Bidding Prayers: Jim Gallagher
Bidding Prayers: Kate Neilson

St. John's

Many congratulations to Mike and Mary Iannarelli, who celebrate their 40th (Ruby) Wedding Anniversary today, Sunday 12th July!

St John's Church Hall Refurbishments: A reminder that work will be starting on the Hall in the coming weeks. The painter will be at work in the Hall for a week commencing 19th July, and again for the week commencing 3rd August. Most of our regular clubs and classes are taking a summer break so hopefully this will not cause too much disruption to parishioners, but please note there will be no teas & coffees in the Hall after Mass next Sunday morning 19th July. Please contact Chris Vinestock or Pauline Connarty in the parish office (669 5447) if you are concerned that this may affect your plans to use the Hall in the meantime.

Offertory Collection on 4th & 5th July 2015

St Mary Magdalene's

St John the Evangelist

£222.01 (inc Envelopes: £122.20) £873.57 (inc Envelopes: £408.52)

£117.54

'Peter's Pence'

£427.13

MANY THANKS!

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 11th July <i>FEAST OF ST BENEDICT</i>	10.00am Mass: Angus Mclsaac 6.30pm Vigil Mass: Special Intention	
Sunday 12th July FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Mass: Armando Volpe	11.15am Mass: People of the Parish
Monday 13th July <i>Memorial of St Henry</i>	10.00am Mass: Wedding Anniversary Mass 7pm to 8pm: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
Tuesday 14th July <i>Memorial of St Camillus de Lellis</i>	10.00am Mass: Maria Crolla	
Wednesday 15th July <i>MEMORIAL OF ST BONAVENTURE</i>	10.00am Eucharistic Service	10.00am Mass: Elizabeth Jack
Thursday 16th July <i>Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i>	10.00am Eucharistic Service	7.00pm Mass: William Mcgeady
Friday 17th July	9.30am to 10am: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 10.00am Mass: Thanksgiving 3pm to 4pm: <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
Saturday 18th July	10.00am Mass: SI – sick son 6.30pm Vigil Mass:	
Sunday 19th July SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Mass: People of the Parish	11.15am Mass

The Friend

A real friend, to whom we can say exactly what we feel, knowing that we will be listened to, encouraged and confirmed in love and tenderness, is an essential resource. When friendship encourages fidelity, it is the most beautiful thing of all. On the dark days, we need the refuge of friendship.' *Jean Vanier, 'Community and Growth', p183.*

Reflection

O Great Spirit, whose voice I hear in the winds, and whose breath gives life to the world, hear me.

I come to you as one of your many children.

I am small and weak; I need your strength and your wisdom.

Make my eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset.

Make my hands respect the things you have made, and my ears sharp to hear your voice.

Make me wise so that I may know the things you have taught your children, the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock.

Make me strong, so that I may not be superior to other people, but able to fight my greatest enemy, which is myself.

Make me ever able to come to you with straight eyes, so that when life fades as the fading sunset, my spirit may come to you without shame.

Flor McCarthy, New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies. (Yr B)



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