

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

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16th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
19th July 2015



Wednesday is the Feast of St Mary Magdalen

All are most welcome to join Fr John who will be celebrating the patronal feast at 10am Mass at St Mary Magdalene Church on Wednesday morning, followed by refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Fr Jock is away on pilgrimage to Lourdes, and will return next Saturday 24th July. **Fr John Robinson** will kindly be covering for Fr Jock while he is away and can be contacted on the following numbers 07903851613 or 0131 334 8079. Meanwhile, Fr Jock writes: 'A very warm welcome to visitors and holiday makers celebrating Mass with us during the holiday period. ... And to our own parishioners travelling further afield, some wise words borrowed from another newsletter ... remember that a holiday abroad also offers us an opportunity to experience how others celebrate Sunday Eucharist and, by encountering different forms of liturgy, perhaps to learn new ways of understanding our own faith.'

This Sunday is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a leaving collection on behalf of Apostleship of the Sea, the Church's official maritime welfare agency which supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. Alternatively, if you wish you can make your donation using one of the designated envelopes to be found at the back of each Church or donate online at www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk Please remember seafarers in your prayers. '*Those who go down to the sea in ships: and follow their trade on great waters, these men have seen the works of God: and his wonders in the deep.*' (Psalm 107)

LOOKING AHEAD ... Three Courses to consider for the Coming Year

1. Growth in Prayer & Reflective Living: October 2015 to April 2016

Facilitated by the Epiphany Group, this course will take place in Christchurch Centre, 6a Morningside Road, Edinburgh. Sessions will be held on Thursdays 7pm to 9.30pm. The course fee is £340, but bursaries are available and no-one should feel excluded because of cost. For further details please see noticeboards at the back of each Church or contact Sharon Laidlaw (07557104380). Email Sharon.laidlaw@btinternet.com

2. Six Days: A series of six reflective, themed Saturday workshops: October 2015 to June 2016.

Organised by the Epiphany Group, this series of themed Saturday workshops will take place once a month, commencing Saturday 3rd October, at Christ Church Hall, Morningside Rd, Edinburgh. Each session is £25, though bursary help may be available. Further details or application forms can be found at the back of each Church or contact Elizabeth White (07952198379). To download an application form please go to: www.epiphanygroup.org.uk/trainingcourses.htm

3. Course in Spiritual Accompaniment: October 2015 to November 2016.

This course, based on Ignatian Spirituality, is facilitated by the Garden Cottage Spirituality Centre, Kilgraston, Bridge of Earn. The aim of the course is 'to deepen one's personal prayer experience, furthering the capacity to reflect and engage in spiritual conversation'. The course content includes approaches to prayer; retreat in daily life with individual guidance; and training in different aspects of spiritual accompaniment. The course fee is £650 (some bursaries available). Application form from the Administrator, Garden Cottage Spirituality Centre, Kilgraston, Bridge of Earn, Perthshire, PH2 9HN, (01738 813618), or email adminorchard@byconnect.com

Further details of these and other courses, retreats and events can be found at: www.epiphanygroup.org.uk

THIS WEEK

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: 10am: St Mary Magdalene’s Church: **Patronal Feast Day Mass.** All welcome.

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

IN THE WEEKS AHEAD

Sunday 26th July: 9.30am: St John’s Church: Mass with baptisms of Mia and Darcy Walsh.

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

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).

Monday 17th August: 2.30pm: St John’s Church: Mass with Anointing (Healing Mass) - followed by the sacrament of reconciliation for those who wish. The Rosary will be recited at 2.15pm. All are invited to the Hall for tea and homebaking after Mass.

NOTICEBOARD

FERTILITY CARE SCOTLAND. The Gillis Centre have a free and confidential service for those seeking advice. ‘Whether you wish to have a baby, space your family or just find out about your fertility, why not contact one of our Fertility Experts at the Gillis Centre, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 12pm to 2pm, or The Chalmers Centre, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 6pm to 8pm.’ For further information please call Fertility Care Scotland on 0141 352 7930, or email info@fertilitycare.org.uk.

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 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.’

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

ORGANIC GARDEN OPEN DAY

Saturday 1st August & Sunday 2nd August (2pm to 5pm)

Mike & Susan Burns invite you to visit their large wildlife friendly garden, including mini orchard, pond, mixed borders, greenhouse, conservatory and secret garden.

39 Nantwich Drive, Edinburgh, EH7 6RA (0131 669 0335)

Entrance Fee £1.00 (Concessions 50p)

Refreshments.

(All proceeds to Garden Organic, Registered Charity Number 298104)

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
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:
Monday 20th July <i>Memorial of St Apollinaris</i>	10.00am Mass: Mary Kelly 7pm to 8pm: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
Tuesday 21st July <i>Memorial of St Laurence of Brindisi</i>	10.00am Eucharistic Service	7.00pm Mass:
Wednesday 22nd July MEMORIAL OF ST MARY MAGDALEN	10.00am Eucharistic Service	10.00am Patronal Feast Day Mass
Thursday 23rd July <i>FEAST OF ST BRIDGET</i>	10.00am Mass	
Friday 24th July <i>Memorial of St Sharbel Makhluf</i>	9.30am to 10am: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 10.00am Mass: 3pm to 4pm: <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
Saturday 25th July <i>FEAST OF ST JAMES</i>	10.00am Mass: James Dignan 6.30pm Vigil Mass:	
Sunday 19th July SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Mass: People of the Parish	11.15am Mass

As I walked out the door toward the gate that would lead to my freedom, I knew that if I didn't leave my bitterness and hatred behind, I'd still be in prison.'

Nelson Mandela