

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

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17th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
26th 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.

Fr Jock returns from Lourdes on Saturday, to celebrate the weekend Masses. Our grateful thanks to **Fr John Robinson** for celebrating Mass and looking after the sister parishes in Fr Jock's absence. Our prayers go with him as he heads off to Lourdes next week for the first of two pilgrimages with the Jumbulance. Fr Robinson writes:

'Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ; Dear Fr Jock,

I wish to give you many thanks for all I have experienced, enjoyed, and learned through my ministry in St John's and St Mary Magdalene's while Fr Jock has been away in Lourdes. Thank you for those who have been so supportive to a priest who has short-term memory problems, and far less energy than when he was here last year. Thanks to those who were not afraid to be honest and up front – "Fr John. You're tired!". Such openness prompted me to arrange a long overdue appointment with my GP. It has been a time to take more seriously Bishop James Monaghan's advice and teaching (43 years ago!) "We can't say yes to every request made of us. Sometimes we have to say no!" Wise words which we should all heed ... On Wednesday I set off to Lourdes for the first of two pilgrimages with ACROSS Jumbulance; and am looking forward to a holiday in Turkey in November – with GP's blessing! Blessings galore for you all, John.

P.S. God's grace so wonderfully at work in visits to two very ill folk. Very much present "The God of Surprises"!'

THIS WEEK (Mass times are printed on the back of the Sunday Plus this week.)

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

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).

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)

IN THE WEEKS AHEAD

Tuesday 4th August: 7pm: St Patrick's Church, Cowgate: Monthly Mass to pray for the Beatification of Venerable Margaret Sinclair.

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.

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those whose have died recently, including: Brone Forster and Mary Olsen.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: Rosemary McDevitt, Peter Wilson, Patrick O'Brien, John Trower, Alexander Binnie Jun., Michael O'Neill, Mary Elliott, James Cassidy, John Kelly, Helen O'Hare, Mary Bevan, Peter Connolly, Catherine Mary Devlin, John Byrtus, Catherine Lowe, Charlotte Hannavy, Madge Freeman, Mary Cooper, baby Grace Mills, Margaret McCann, and Fr Konrad Haller.

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

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Lorna Pelosi, Michele Gradone, Ina McNama, David Thom, Mgr James Rae, John Cregan, Tom Brown, Jean McCraw, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Florence & Bob Crabbe, Jimi Boyle, Jude Payne, 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: Josie Martin, Cameron Hall, 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.

The miracle of Lourdes

‘At the Grotto, all the painful times of our lives (sickness, sin, grief, separation, sadness ...) can enter into the gravitation of infinite love, source of light of our conscience but also source of peace, joy and hope. It is the unconditional love of God for each one of us. Our time at the Grotto then becomes a heart to heart, an intensely moving spiritual experience. This inner encounter has been experienced since the Virgin Mary appeared in this place in 1858. It is the miracle of Lourdes and it is permanent.’

Extract from 'Pastoral Theme 2015: Lourdes, The Joy of the Mission.'

ST MARY MAGDALENE'S

Readers for this Sunday: Laura Tweedie & John Wallace
... and for next Sunday: John Cunningham & Anne Jabir

Bidding Prayers: Anne Jabir
Bidding Prayers: Jim Gallagher

St. John's

Charity Coffee Morning: Maria Igoe writes: ‘The next Charity Coffee Morning will be on **Monday 10th August** and donations will be given to Pauline MacInnes for the children, who live in the Hostel of St Joseph's School, Gitdubling, West Bengal, India.’

St John's Church Hall Refurbishments: Refurbishment of the Hall continues, and the painter will be at work again week commencing 3rd August. 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 11th & 12th July 2015

St Mary Magdalene's **St John the Evangelist**
£203.22 (inc Envelopes: £117.50) **£876.28 (inc Envelopes: £488.20))**

‘Sea Sunday’

£116.78

£319.95

MANY THANKS!

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 25th July	10.00am Mass: James Dignan 6.30pm Vigil Mass:	
Sunday 26th July SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Mass: People of the Parish	11.15am Mass:
Monday 27th July	10.00am Mass: SI – Sick Person 7pm to 8pm: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
Tuesday 28th July	10.00am Eucharistic Service	7.00pm Mass: SI – Sick Person
Wednesday 29th July MEMORIAL OF ST MARTHA	10.00am Mass: Anne-Marie Aitken	
Thursday 30th July <i>Memorial of St Peter Chrysologus</i>	10.00am Eucharistic Service	10.00am Mass: William Mcgeady
Friday 31st July MEMORIAL OF ST IGNATIUS LOYOLA	9.30am to 10am: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 10.00am Mass: Jan de Vries 3pm to 4pm: <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
Saturday 1st August MEMORIAL OF ST ALPHONSUS LIGOURI	10.00am Mass: 6.30pm Vigil Mass: Peter Wilson	
Sunday 2nd August EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Mass: People of the Parish	11.15am Mass

‘Chance is always powerful. Let your hook be always cast;
in the pool where you least expect it, there will be a fish.’

Ovid