

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

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28th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

11th October 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.**

Next Sunday is World Day of Prayer for the Missions. There will be a Special Collection at all Masses next weekend for the work of the propagation of the Faith.

Warm wishes and the promise of prayers go with **Pauline McInnes**, who sets off on Monday for two months teaching in North East India.

Baptism Preparation Course: 7.30-8pm Thursday 22 and 29 October: 2 evenings of preparation, led by our new baptismal team of Kath Zoltie, Tracy Burgess and Catherine McNally. If you would like to have a child baptised before Advent, please register with Fr Jock.

November Memorial Masses:

St Mary Magdalene's: Monday 2nd November at 7.30pm

St John the Evangelist: Wednesday 11th November at 7.30pm

There will be two Memorial Masses in November – the month in which we remember our dead - one in either parish, at which there will be an opportunity for you to light a candle in memory of family members or friends who have died. If you would like a name read out during the Mass, please write the name (or names) of those you would like to be remembered on forms to be found at the back of both churches and place the completed form in the box provided. (Please remember to write the name in block capitals so that it can be clearly read.)

THIS WEEK

Monday 12th October: 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 home baking after Mass. If you require transport, please phone Maria Igoe 0131 669 0247.

Tuesday 13th October:

10am to 11.30am: St John's Church Hall: **St John's Party Toddler Group.** All Welcome!

11am: Seafield Crematorium: **Funeral service for Andrew Callachan.**

7pm: St John's Church Hall: **Medjugorje Reunion.** Maria Igoe writes: 'There will be a reunion this Tuesday for those who have been to Medjugorje in the last few years. Bring your photos and other mementoes and hear about our plans for next May.'

Wednesday 14th October: 7.30 -9.30pm: St. Catharine's Convent, Lauriston Gardens: Newman Association Edinburgh Circle Autumn Series: **'What is it to be a Christian?'** Speaker: Fr John Farrell OP, Prior Provincial of the English Province of the Dominicans.

Thursday 15th October: 10.30am to 1pm: Piershill Library: MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT COFFEE MORNING.

6.30pm to 8.30pm: Craigentenny Community Centre, Loaning Rd, EH7 6JE: **Craigentenny Cancer Support Group.** For further details contact Marion on 07583263299 or ra.scotland@topicofcancer.org.uk.

Friday 16th October: 5pm: St John's Church: Rehearsal for the wedding of Michael Beresford and Sarah Roberts.

10.00 pm – 8.00am. St. Catharine's Convent, Lauriston Gardens: **Legion of Mary All-Night Vigil to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.** The event begins with Benediction at 10.00 pm and ends on Saturday morning with Mass at 8.00 am. Drinks and snacks available throughout the night.

Saturday 17th October: 1.00pm: St John's Church: **Wedding of Michael Beresford and Sarah Roberts.**

Sunday 18th October: 9.30am: St John's Church: **Mass with baptism of Rowan Sutherland.**

1pm: St John's Church: **Visit to Nunraw:** Maria Igoe writes: 'There will be a minibus going to Nunraw on Sunday 18th October. The minibus will leave St John's at 1pm and arrive back at 7.30pm. Please bring a sandwich or snack.' Please contact Maria Igoe for further details (669 0247 or 07981333219).

IN THE WEEKS AHEAD

Monday 19th October: 8pm: Church Café, Bellfield Street: **Portobello Amnesty Group Meeting**, with speaker Andrew Jackson, Eritrea Coordinator.

Monday 26th October: 7pm: St. John's Church Hall: (P3) **Sacrament of Reconciliation Meeting** (parents only). Contact Arlene Lauder on 07950880833 or lauder.82@btinternet.com for further information.

Sunday 1st November: 10.30am: St John's Church Hall: **Fairtrade Stall.**

Monday 2nd November: 7.30pm: St Mary Magdalene's Church: **Memorial Mass.**

Saturday 7th November: 10.00 am – 4.00 pm Conforti Institute, Coatbridge: **Conference on Mission and Evangelisation.** Cost is £10.00 per person. For further information please contact The Conforti Institute on 01236 607120.

Wednesday 11th November: 7.30pm: St John's Church: **Memorial Mass.**

NOTICEBOARD

MARY'S MEALS: **Rosalind Mackay** writes: 'My sincere thanks to everyone who attended the Charity Auction and kindly donated to Mary's Meals. £3,240 was raised, and this is being doubled by the UK Government, bringing the total amount raised to £6,480.' (... and Rosalind would like to add that anyone who might be considering raising funds for this most worthwhile cause should know that the UK Government will match all donations to Mary's Meals made before 28th December.)

CALAIID: **Jim Roarty** writes: 'Calaid, who are gathering donations for the refugee camp at Calais, need volunteers to assist with sorting and packing donations of clothes etc. They are in **24-26 Calton Road** and are open on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2-7pm**. If you are interested in giving an hour or two, please go to the Calaid Edinburgh Volunteers Facebook page to sign up. Calaid use Facebook to ask for volunteers when there is a surge in donations.'

FOOD PARCEL SERVICE: Remember that if you would like to donate to the food parcel service supporting families in the local community, boxes are provided at the back of each Church. Tins of tuna, hotdogs and meatballs would be much appreciated, as would any toiletries you can donate. These will be distributed from St Teresa of Lisieux Parish who are helping 8 to 10 families per week.

ST JOHN'S PORTY TODDLER GROUP. The toddler group takes place fortnightly and meets this week on **Tuesday 13th October** from 10am to 11.30am in St John's Church Hall. A chance for pre-schoolers, siblings and parents to get crafting, playing, snacking, chatting and having fun. Craft materials and snacks provided for little ones. Tea and biscuits for parents. (£3 for 2 yrs + and £1 for under 2's.) For more information on events request to join our Facebook Group '**St John's Porty Toddler Group**' or send your contact details to stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com.

SPRED – Special Religious Development for Children and Adults with learning difficulties. Emma Robertson writes: 'We are always looking for volunteers to be catechists or drivers and also for people who may benefit from our support given in small group sessions. If you are interested in helping form a group in the two parishes or would like more information please contact: **Emma Robertson on 07707811595 or Emma.robertson@staned.org.uk**'. **Fr Jock** writes: '*Many thanks to the four parishioners who have already volunteered to train. Please do contact Emma if you would like to know more about this life-enhancing project.*'

Medjugorje 2016: **Maria Igoe** writes: 'A Group from St. John's and St. Mary Magdalene's will be going to Medjugorje next year, leaving Edinburgh Airport on Wednesday 11th May. Flying from Edinburgh to Dubrovnik on Wednesday 11th May the cost at present is £63.49. The return flight on Wednesday 18th May is £48.49. Please use easyjet.com to book flights. Accommodation costs £79.00 per week b&b sharing, and £132.00 single. Transfers cost approx. £50.00, the total cost is £241.00 sharing and £294.00 single. If you wish further information, please contact Maria Igoe 669 0247, 07981333219 or mariaigoe@yahoo.co.uk'

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those whose have died recently, including: Fiona Klaus, Andrew Callachan, Jim Woods, Anne Walsh, and Mary Angelosanto.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: Mgr Tom Connelly, Thomas Bassi, Juliann Roarty, Elizabeth Craigie, Lucy Boyd, David Hyde, Elizabeth Berry, Denis McKay, Leonard Reading, Anthony Reading, Norman Ritchie, Hugh Stone, Jane Deighan, Agnes Docherty, Joseph Bradley, Mary M Smith, (Frances) Fay Brown, Robert Nelson, George Gilhooley, Caterine Jeffrey, Elizabeth Burns, John Loftus, Jack Roper, Mina Hanlon, the Collins Family, Fr Jimmy Henry, and Canon John Ward.

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

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Tricia Davies, Patrick McCafferty Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, Isobel O'Neill, Lorna Dickson, Mgr James Rae, Ina McNama, Josie Martin, David Thom, John Cregan, Tom Brown, Maureen Lawrie, Jude Payne, Mona Scoular, Mary Florence & Bob Crabbe, Mary Grady, Jane McGuire, Kathy & Jimmy Gallagher, Jenny Wormald, Erin Corbett, Fay Dignan, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, 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 Matrondola, Jude Ferguson, Mary & James Muir, Liz Davis, Rose McKay, Laurence Kennedy, and Denis Davidson.

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: Chuck Buchanan, Fr Tony McDonald, Austen Tod, Cameron Hall, baby Marnie Josie-Sophia Cree, Roy McGillivray, Hugh McGeady, Peter Kent, Isabel Bolus, John Allan, Valentino and Paloma Rivera, Isabel McInrue, Anne Gallagher, Denise O'Donnell, Margaret Davis, Dorothy Jamal, Jane Morton, Christopher Browne, Marie Crolla, Margaret Rose, Vera Hawkes, Christian and John Parham, Conor Kerrigan, Maria St. Denis, baby Ray Donovan Syme, and Rupert Ridge.

ST MARY MAGDALENE'S

Readers for this Sunday: Laura Tweedie & Robert Moyes **Bidding Prayers:** Kate Neilson
... and for next Sunday: Catrina MacGillivray & Mary Fenwick **Bidding Prayers:** Anne Jabir

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Tuesday evening between 6.25 and 6.55pm.

Happy Birthday to Fr Jock who celebrates his birthday this Wednesday!



St. John's

October Devotions will be said after Mass or Eucharistic Service every morning from Monday to Friday at Our Lady's altar.

Linda Brown writes: 'The Fairtrade Stall is returning for Christmas, on the 1st Sunday of the month, along with teas and coffees. The dates are Sunday 1st November & Sunday 6th December in St John's Church Hall, so come along and buy some Christmas cards and gifts and support fairtrade.'

Many (belated) congratulations to Gerry & Bronagh Power, who celebrated their silver wedding on 17th August.

Offertory Collection on 3rd & 4th October 2015

St Mary Magdalene's

St John the Evangelist

£421.90 (inc Gift Aided: £263)

£960.20 (inc Gift Aided: £573.60)

Many thanks

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 10th October	10.00am Mass: Angus McIsaac 6.30pm Vigil Mass:	
Sunday 11th October TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Mass:	11.15am Mass: People of the Parish
Monday 12th October	10.00am Mass: Anne Walsh 7pm to 8pm: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
Tuesday 13th October	10.00am Eucharistic Service	6.25 to 6.55pm: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 7.00 pm Mass:
Wednesday 14th October <i>Memorial of St Callistus I</i>	10.00am Mass: Jim Woods	
Thursday 15th October <i>MEMORIAL OF ST TERESA OF JESUS</i>	10.00am Eucharistic Service	10.00am Mass
Friday 16th October <i>Memorial of St Hedwig</i> <i>Memorial of St Margaret Mary Alacoque</i>	9.25am to 9.55am: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 10.00am Mass: Mgr Tom Connelly 3pm to 4pm: <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
Saturday 17th October <i>MEMORIAL OF ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH</i>	10.00am Mass: SI - Birthday 6.30pm Vigil Mass: People of the Parish	
Sunday 18th October TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Mass: Michele Gradone	11.15am Mass: Helen Budge

Mgr Paul and Fr Reginald concelebrated Mass with Archbishop Leo at last Saturday's family life conference. (Photo courtesy of this week's Scottish Catholic Observer.

