

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

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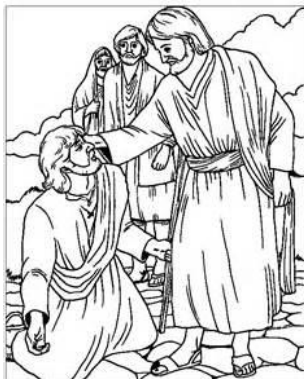
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30th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

25th 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.

MAKUTANO: Mike Knox writes: 'Makutano is a growing network of relationships bringing together young people who seek to develop and bring about a vision of life as it could be. To find out more about this Makutano please come along to St John's Church Hall today Sunday 25th October at 7pm. This is a meeting for any young adults in the 16 to 20's age group who may be interested All most welcome!'

Bereavement Services in November:

During the month of November, Catholics traditionally pray for those who have died. It is an opportunity for us to remember all whom we have loved. There will be two Memorial Masses in November, 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. The dates for the Masses are as follows:

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

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

If you would like a name read out during the Memorial 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 PRINT THE NAME IN BLOCK CAPITALS so that it can be clearly read.)

THIS WEEK

Sunday 25th October: 9.30am: Children's Mass with P3 'Signing of the Cross'

11.15am: St Mary Magdalene's: '**Do This In Memory Of Me**' Mass focusing on the P4 children preparing for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

7pm: St John's Church Hall: **Makutano Meeting.**

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.

Tuesday 27th October: 10am to 11.30am: St John's Church Hall: **St John's Party Toddler Group.** All Welcome!

Thursday 29th October: 7.30pm: Parish House: **Baptism Preparation Evening 2.**

Saturday 31st October: 1.00pm: St. John's: **Baptism of Erin Paterson**

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

11.15am: St Mary Magdalene's: **Mass with baptism of Leo Whyte**

IN THE WEEKS AHEAD

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

Wednesday 4th November: 7-9pm: Gillis Centre: ‘School of Evangelisation – 2’ - ‘Mgr Gerry Hand - what makes for a vibrant parish?’

‘This will be very suitable for PPC members and anyone interested in parish renewal. Please book a place as soon as possible. You should register your interest with Jacqueline.heron@staned.org.uk’

Saturday 7th November: 10.00 am – 4.00 pm Conforti Institute, Coatbridge: **Conference on Mission and Evangelisation.** Cost is £10.00 per person. Speakers include Archbishop Cushley, Bishop Keenan, David Wells and Patricia Carroll. For further information please contact The Conforti Institute on 01236 607120.

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

Friday 4th December: 5.45pm: Sacred Heart Church, Lauriston: **The Legion of Mary Annual Reunion** will be held in the Lauriston Centre on Friday 4th December, beginning with Mass at 5.45pm. The cost of the meal is £10. If you would like to go, please contact Maria Igoe 669 0247.

NOTICEBOARD

EXPERIENCE TAIZE: 7.00pm -8.00pm: St Mary’s Star of the Sea, Leith. Beginning on Thursday 12th November, 2015 and continuing through Advent. Come and experience faith through music, silence, reflection and community in the spirit of Taize. All are welcome whether you want to stay for the hour or even if you just want to pop in say a prayer and go. For more information please contact: Andrew Cassidy andrew.oblate.partners@gmail.com or 0131 555 2179.

PAMOJA FASHION. Mike Knox writes: ‘Any quality, vintage or designer clothes and accessories much appreciated. These can be left in the designated basket at the back of St John’s Church. Many thanks.’

LEGION OF MARY ANNUAL REUNION: Maria Igoe writes: ‘The annual reunion will be held in the Lauriston Centre on Friday 4th December, beginning with Mass in Sacred Heart Church at 5.45pm. The cost of the meal is £10.’ If you would like to go, please contact Maria Igoe 669 0247. mariaigoe@yahoo.co.uk

MEDJUGORJE YOUTH FESTIVAL: (Wednesday 30th July to Wednesday 6th August) Maria Igoe writes: ‘Accommodation has been booked and, although the flights are not yet on sale, it is estimated that the total cost with bed and breakfast will be approx £320. This is an amazing opportunity for our young people to meet other young people from all over the world. There will be 50,000 attending and it will be a very joyous event. If you wish information please contact Maria Igoe on 669 0247 (Mob: 07981333219) or email mariaigoe@yahoo.co.uk’.

ST JOHN’S PORTY TODDLER GROUP. The toddler group will meet this Tuesday 27th 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

And finally ... A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

The hills are alive ... with the sound of people singing!
**Brighten up gloomy November by singing along with Julie Andrews
in a sing-a-long version of ‘The Sound of Music’.**
Friday, 13th November at 7.00pm
St John’s Church Hall. (Admission £6.)
Proceeds to SCIAF’s Syrian Refugees appeal.
See any member of the Justice & Peace Group for tickets.

Offertory Collection on 17th & 18th October 2015

St Mary Magdalene’s
£205.85 (inc Gift Aided: £126.00)

St John the Evangelist
£893.41 (inc Gift Aided: £335.40)

Special Collection for Mission Sunday
£167.57

£553.46 (inc Gift Aided: £40.00)

Many thanks

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those whose have died recently, including: Monsignor James Rae, Br John Forest Dougherty OFM (of St. Teresa's Craigmillar), Terence Bonnar and Margaret Laydon

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: James John McGreavy, Phyllis Doherty, Elizabeth Higgins, Jackie Cairns, Frances Smith, Elsie Clarke, William Moir, Euphemia Meenan, James Ward jnr, Charles McCann, Ellen McAlinden, Veronica Margaret Glancy, James Grady, Daniel O'Lone, James Clarke, Leonora Loftus, Thomas Fox, Rose Marshall, Oula, McCaughan, Janet Mary McMillan, Brian Mc Millan, George McMillan. Giuseppe (Joe) DiPonio, Colena Oswald, Noel Gibson, Joyce Hughes, Williamina Gallagher, Andrew Keogh, Euphemia (Effie) Meehan, Angelo Morga, Umberto Demarco, John Reid, Eileen Alexander and the deceased members of the Begg family.

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

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Francis Ginnelly, John Ritchie, Terry Delaney, Tricia Davies, Patrick McCafferty Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, Isobel O'Neill, Lorna Dickson, 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 Matrundola, 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

This Sunday is a 'Do This In Memory Of Me' Mass focusing on the P4 children preparing for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Readers for next Sunday: Anne Jabir & John Cunningham

Bidding Prayers: Jim Gallagher

No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this week.

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

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 **next 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.'

Maria Igoe writes: 'The next Charity Coffee Morning will be on Monday 2nd November in the Hall after Mass. Donations will be given to Mary's Meals and the Government will double what is collected.'

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 24th October	12.00 noon Mass: Requiem Mass for Mgr Rae 6.30pm Vigil Mass: People of the Parish	
Sunday 25th October THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am Mass: Gerry Higgins and Elizabeth Higgins	11.15am Mass:
Monday 26th October	10.00am Mass: Terence Bonner 7pm to 8pm: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
Tuesday 27th October	10.00am Eucharistic Service	10.00am Mass: Phyllis Doherty
Wednesday 28th October FEAST OF ST SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES	10.00am Mass:	
Thursday 29nd October	10.00am Eucharistic Service	6.45 pm Mass: Frances Smith
Friday 30th October	9.25am to 9.55am: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 10.00am Mass: 3pm to 4pm: <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
Saturday 31st October	10.00am Mass: James John McGreavy 6.30pm Vigil Mass: Con McConville	
Sunday 1st November SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	9.30am Mass: People of the Parish	11.15am Mass:

Faith is not a light which scatters all our darkness, but a lamp which guides our steps in the night and suffices for the journey. To those who suffer, God does not provide arguments which explain everything; rather, his response is that of an accompanying presence, a history of goodness which touches every story of suffering and opens up a ray of light.

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