

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

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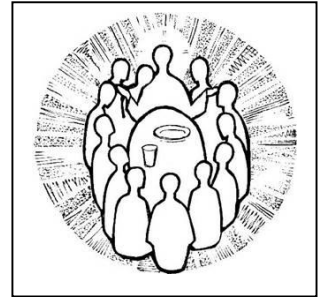
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**24th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
**13th September 2015**



**A warm welcome to Father Loreto Tabone**, who arrives on Tuesday to cover for Father Jock, away the previous day on a fortnight's holiday.

**Pauline McInnes, a St. John's parishioner**, will speak at all Masses this weekend 12/13<sup>th</sup> September about the charity she set up, '**The Himalayan Children Educational Trust**'. Pauline will be returning shortly to north east India to work for three months in one of the schools.

**Next week**, there will be a Special Collection at all Masses for the **Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund**.

A letter of thanks has been received from **Father John McFadden of Holy Ghost Fathers**. He writes: 'Once again a very sincere thank you for the mission appeal...and for your warm welcome. Please accept my thanks for your generous response'.

**This Tuesday – 15 September – at 7.30pm in the Parish House sees  
the first meeting of our 2015/6 RCIA Enquiry group  
(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

Would you like to know more about what it means to be a Catholic? Or do you know anyone who would – or who feels they have lost touch with the Church and would like to find a way of making contact again? All would be warmly welcome at our informal gatherings on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm, starting this Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September, in the Parish House, 3 Sandford Gardens, Portobello. For further details please contact Alice Codling (0131 657 1862), email [alicecodling@btinternet.com](mailto:alicecodling@btinternet.com) or Fr Jock (0131 669 5447) email [stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com).

**THIS WEEK**

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September:** 12 to 5pm (gather at 11.45 for Angelus): **St Mary's Haddington: National Youth Pilgrimage to Nunraw Abbey, 'Celebrating Consecrated Life'**. Mass at 3pm at Sancta Maria Abbey, Nunraw. Main celebrant Archbishop Leo Cushley. (Please bring a packed lunch.) See posters at the back of each Church, or contact [Irene.furlong@staned.org.uk](mailto:Irene.furlong@staned.org.uk) or Fr Jock for further details.

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September:** 9.00 am: HolyRood High School: **Feast Day Mass with Archbishop Cushley**.

**Friday 18 September:** Noon: **St Francis Xavier's, Falkirk: Requiem Mass for Fr Joseph McMahon**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September:** Annual **Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage** at St. Patrick's Church, Cowgate.

2.00 pm: **Holy Hour**      4.30 pm: **Mass**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September:** At the commencement of **World Week of Peace for Palestine and Israel**, under the theme '*God has broken down the dividing walls*', congregations all over the world are invited to worship and pray using a special liturgy developed by Palestinian Christians. This can be found online at <https://pief.oikoumene.org/en/world-week-for-peace>.

**NEXT WEEK**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September:** 7.30pm: St Andrew's & St George's West, George St, Edinburgh.: '**Love God, Love God's World: Why Christians Care for Creation**'. After our celebration of the first worldwide day of prayer for the Care of Creation on Tuesday 1 September, the Eco-Congregation Scotland invites us to hear

leaders from four Scottish Denominations give their views on why caring for creation is a vital part of Christian living.

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September:** 7pm: St Catherine's Convent, Lauriston Gdns, EH3 9HH. **Edinburgh Schools Community Mass** - 'The Year of Mercy: Learning To Be Merciful'. **An invitation to all retired school staff, teachers and support staff to celebrate Catholic Education....**

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September:** 12.00 noon: **St. John's: Baptism of Abbie Craigie**

### **IN THE WEEKS AHEAD**

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September:** 4.00 – 6.00 pm **Open Evening: St. Augustine's R.C. High School**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September:** **Gillis Centre: RCIA Catechists' Evening** - 'Celebrating the Rites' with Patricia Carroll.

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October:** 10.00am: St. John's: **St. John's School 'New Beginnings Mass'** for the opening of the new school year.

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October:** 7.30 pm: St. Martin's: **PACT (Portobello Area Christians Together) meeting.**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October:** 4.00pm: **Bereavement Group Meeting.**

### **NOTICEBOARD**

**PAMOJA FASHION** Wanted - Parish Fashion Designers, expert charity shoppers, people with tailoring & sewing skills and entrepreneurs. 'We have set up a Community Interest Company (**Twende Pamoja Enterprises**) to generate income for our partnerships with schools and communities in Tanzania. **Pamoja Fashion** will collect, recycle and upcycle quality clothes and accessories and sell them here in the Hall on the first Saturday of the month (we raised £350 last Saturday) and also export to Tanzania. If you would be willing to be involved in any way please come to the Parish House on **Monday September 14 at 7.30pm** (Further information from Lewis Dick (07769 226943).'

**SPRED** – **Special Religious Development** for Children and Adults with learning difficulties. '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](mailto:Emma.robertson@staned.org.uk)'

**CHARITY AUCTION AND RAFFLE** in aid of **Mary's Meals** **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September 6.00 pm prompt – 8.00 pm** at Virgin Money, 28 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1A. Some tickets still available – please contact Rosalind Mackay on 0131 669 0003 or [rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk) for further details.

**'BEGINNING EXPERIENCE'**. The Beginning Experience are holding a residential weekend for those who find themselves alone again through divorce, separation, or widowhood. **The weekend will take place from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> October, at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge.** For further details contact: Ros on 0131 669 0003 or email [rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk) .

**ST JOHN'S PORTY TODDLER GROUP.** The toddler group resumes on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September** 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](mailto:stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com).

**18<sup>TH</sup> EDINBURGH NORTH EAST SCOUT GROUP** – are you interested in working with young people, playing games, achieving badges, camping, have you ever thought of becoming a Scout Leader? We require enthusiastic leaders to assist on a weekly basis with Beaver Scouts (6-8 years) or Cub Scouts (8 – 10.5 years). Training is provided and also lots of fun. Please contact **Roseanne Allison, Deputy District Commissioner** on 07963970005 or [r.p.allison@talktalk.net](mailto:r.p.allison@talktalk.net) for further information. The 18<sup>th</sup> Group meets in St. John's Primary School, Beavers on Monday 6.00 – 7.00 pm and Cubs on Tuesday 6.30 – 8.30 pm.

**ORIGIN SCOTLAND** present '**How Long O Lord?**' **Reflections in the Psalms.** **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at Glasgow City Free Church, 7.30 pm and Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at St. Columba's Free Church, Edinburgh 8.00 pm.** Free tickets available from [www.originscotland.org](http://www.originscotland.org) or 0131 208 0095. See poster at back of church.

*Offertory Collection on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2015*

£385.79 (inc Gift Aided: £230.00)

£1,042.41 (inc Gift Aided: £513.10)

**MANY THANKS!**

## **PARISH REGISTER**

**Please pray for those whose have died recently, including:** Mgr. Michael Regan, Catherine McAllister, and Fr. Joseph McMahan

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including:** Neil and Margaret Griffin, Margaret Huntly, Annie Mouat, Margaret Hartnett, Thomas McDonough, Janet Gilroy, Agnes Devlin, John Smith, Joseph Waugh, Veronica Haller, Bridget Meehan, John West, Alessio Lanni, Marian Craik, Kitty Demarco, Agnes Cassidy, William Brown, Charles Tunley, Alexander Nicholson, Mary Reading, Robert Harrop, Norrie Lamb, Annie Hanlon, John Adair, Nicola Domenico Di Biasi, Leonardo Politi, John Quigley, Williamina Brockman, Mary Elizabeth Bryant, and Catherine Tesoro.

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

**Sick Parishioners - St. John's:** 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 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, Denis O'Donnell, 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:** John Cunningham & Anne Jabir  
... and for next Sunday: Sam Henry & Tessa Haring

**Bidding Prayers:** Jim Gallagher  
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**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**

**Maria Igoe writes:** 'The Charity Coffee Morning on **Monday 7th September** for 'Aid to the Church in Need' raised £130. Many thanks for your generosity.'

**Warm birthday greetings to Mike Kinane,** who on 25<sup>th</sup> August celebrated his 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

### **THEATRE ALBA LEISURE**

**COMING SOON!! An opportunity to be part of a theatre company.**

**'With its healthy mix of professional & amateur actors, this renowned Company re-forms annually to create 1 or 2 productions over a 6 month period. Under the direction of Charles Nowosielski, Theatre Alba Leisure has attained a reputation for producing plays of a very high standard in the Edinburgh Fringe, Duddingston Kirk, and the Brunton Theatre. Commencing weekly on Wednesdays, 8pm to 10pm, from 23<sup>rd</sup> September, in St John's Church Hall. No experience necessary. No auditions. Adults from 18 to 80 all welcome. Leaflets available at the back of each church or check out [www.theatrealba.com](http://www.theatrealba.com).'**

## Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> Angus McIsaac  <b>6.30pm Vigil Mass:</b> Margaret Green	
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY</b> <b>OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>9.30am Mass:</b> People of the Parish	<b>11.15am Mass:</b> SI - Divine Mercy for souls
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>FEAST OF THE EXALTATION</b> <b>OF THE HOLY CROSS</b>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> SI - Conversion of sinners  <b>7pm to 8pm:</b> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	<b>10.00am Eucharistic Service</b>	<b>7.00 pm Mass:</b> Special intention
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>FEAST OF ST. NINIAN</b>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> Neil and Margaret Griffin	
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>10.00am Eucharistic Service</b>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> Catherine McAllister
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>9.30am to 10am:</b> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>10.00am Mass:</b>  <b>3pm to 4pm:</b> <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b>  <b>6.30pm Vigil Mass:</b>	
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY</b> <b>OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>9.30am Mass:</b> People of the Parish	<b>11.15am Mass:</b>

### **Three Vital Activities**

‘There are three activities that are absolutely vital in the creation of a community. The first is eating together around the same table. The second is praying together. And the third is celebrating together. By celebrating I mean to laugh, to fool around, to have fun, to give thanks together for life. When we are laughing together with belly laughs we are all the same.’

*Jean Vanier in “Living Gently in a Violent World”, p 37.*

