

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

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*TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
14TH AUGUST 2016*

A very warm welcome to Sr Maureen Donoghue of the Columban Sisters who will be speaking at all Masses this weekend as part of our annual Mission Appeal. The Columban Sisters are an international Congregation of Missionary Sisters (founded in 1922 for China).

Monday 15th August is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is not a Holiday of Obligation this year – because it falls on a Monday - but is still a great feast to be celebrated. There will be Mass at St Mary Magdalene's at **10.00am** and at St John's at **7.00pm**.

Two new initiatives for the Autumn in association with St Mark's Episcopal Church and with other Portobello and Area Churches:

- 'THE GOD QUESTION' – with Revd. Russel Moffat of St Martin's Parish Church, Magdalene Drive – 7-8.30pm – St John's Church Hall – 3 Sunday Evenings (7pm-8.30pm) in St John's Hall - 29 August, 4 and 11 September

Russel Moffat will introduce an acclaimed DVD with world renowned contributors from both sides of the science/God debate unpacking the evidence found in the Cosmos, Life and Evolution and the hidden depths of Mind and Consciousness.

(And from Sunday 6 November to Sunday 27 November, a 'Retreat in Daily Life' – a chance to pray with scripture and meet twice a week with experienced and sensitive prayer guides....more details soon.)

**ENQUIRY GROUP: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
(RCIA)**

What does it mean to be a Catholic?

Do you know of anyone who would like to know more about what it means to be a Catholic?

Do you know anyone 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 on Tuesday 6th September, in the Parish House, 3 Sandford Gardens, Portobello.** For further details please contact

Alice Codling (0131 657 1862), email alicecodling@btinternet.com or Fr Jock (0131 669 5447) email stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com .

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 and ask for details of how to register on the parishes' roll.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday 17th August: 7.30pm: Parish House: **Justice and Peace Group meeting.**

Saturday 20th August: 10.45am: Parish House: **Lectio Divina Group meeting**

1.00pm: St. John's: **Baptism of Sorley MacKay Machullich**

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Sunday 21st August: Carfin Grotto: **Grandparents Day:** Mass will be celebrated at 3.00pm. For further details, telephone: 01698263308 or email: info@carfingrotto.org

Monday 29 August: 2.30pm: St John's: **Healing Mass – with the Sacrament of the Sick.**

Thursday 1st September: 7.30pm: Parish House: **St John's Fabric Meeting**

Saturday 3rd September: 10.30am – 3.30pm: Boswell House, 107 High Street, Montrose: **'In the Potter's House', a quiet day of reflection led by Isabel Jackson.** 'The aim of this quiet day is to create reflective space wherein we can contemplate God's shaping of our lives. Suggested donation £25. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea, coffee, biscuits and cake will be provided. Please call 07919951021/07983688408 or email judithirving@btinternet.com for further details.'

Sunday 4th September: NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN IN HONOUR OF ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND: 3pm: Concelebrated Mass. 'The Principal Celebrant will be Archbishop Philip Tartaglia and the Homilist is Archbishop Leo Cushley. Year of Mercy – Sacrament of Reconciliation – A number of bishops and priests will be available to hear confessions in St Francis Xavier's Parish and at points in the Grotto from 12 noon until shortly before Mass.'

Friday 30th September – Sunday 2nd October: Boswell House, 107 High Street, Montrose: **'A retreat with the poet Kenneth Steven 'Deep Reading, Deep Writing'.** Cost £125 per person including sessions with Kenneth Steven. Please call 07983688408 or email aileenloney@yahoo.co.uk for further details.'

NOTICEBOARD

Fr Jock will be away from Tuesday till Friday this week, staying with his brother's family, including his great-nephew Kit (now nearly 8 months old), in Caithness. **Fr John Robinson** will kindly be covering for him.

Evenings of Mercy: Celebrating God's Mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Archbishop Leo Cushley. Diocesan Gatherings will be held on...:

28th August: 3.00pm: Sancta Maria Abbey, Nunraw

14th September: 7.00pm: Our Lady and St Andrew's Galashiels

12th October: 7.00pm: St Margaret's, Dunfermline

Maria Igoe writes: 'The Legion of Mary would like to thank everyone who prayed for the Project of evangelization to Rovaniemi in Lapland. The weather was sunny and over the 2 weeks, they spoke to 698 people along the river and in the streets. They gave out lots of Miraculous Medals and made many good contacts. Your prayers made such a difference to this Project. Thank you.'

Paul Bevan writes: 'Lorna Bowry of **Fresh Start** has been in touch once again to say a big thank you to all in the parishes who have so far this year kindly donated household items. This has enabled them to provide more Starter Packs to support formerly homeless people in settling into their new home, and to have rooms decorated with the help of volunteers. This is the difference you, our supporters, make to people in our city. To continue with providing these services we are in need of a few items for our Starter Packs. Light bulbs (preferably bayonet caps), J-cloths, scourers, sponges and dish cloths, Single duvet covers and sheets. Please, no furniture or large electrical appliances. For these contact Bethany Christian Trust or Edinburgh Furniture Initiative.'

ROOTS OF LOVE: THE CELTIC SESSIONS: CD offer at £5 each. The Celtic Sessions gathered members and friends of L'Arche in Edinburgh, in memory of Mgr David Gemmill. The CD contains 10 tracks, with the surplus from proceeds going to support L'Arche members coming to Belfast's International L'Arche Assembly in June 2017. For a copy email anthony.kramers@larche.org.uk or see Fr Jock.

THEATRE ALBA @ DUDDINGSTON. 'Theatre Alba will be performing two plays during the Edinburgh Festival at Duddingston Kirk. **'The Shepherd Beguiled'** outdoors in the grounds of Duddingston Kirk Manse (please wear warm clothes): 10 -14, 17 -21, 24 -28 August at 7.30 pm. The performance lasts 2 hours 15 mins (with interval). Tickets: £10.00 (£8.00 concessions). **'The Quest for Excalibur'** (a magical promenade play for children) outdoors in Doctor Neil's Garden 30th July – 14th August at 2.00 pm. The performance lasts for 1 hour. Tickets: £6.00. Tickets are available at the door or from the Fringe Box Office 0131 226 0000.'

ST ANDREW CAMERATA: Faure Requiem by Candlelight (with orchestra) directed by Vincent Wallace: Old St Paul's Church: Saturday 13th and 20th August: 10.00pm. Tickets £15 (£10 conc.) in advance from Fringe Box Office 0131 226 0000.

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: Derek Beveridge (snr) and Doris Foote.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: Margaret Waugh.

St John's:

Aug.13 :- Hugh Ward (2001); Eleanor Gracie (1999); Catherine Lowe (1987); Aug.14 :- Leslie Berry (1995); Philip Brady; Aug.15 :- James Braby (2000); Robert Nelson (1983); John Calder (1954); Elizabeth Cunningham; Aug.16 :- Mary Rae (2013); Carlo Mancini (2002); Sydney Reid (1987); Aug.17 :- Peggy Hanlon; Catherine Phair; Aug.18 :- Mary Eaton (2015); Joyce Barber (1996); Alexander Binnie Sr. (1983); Aug.19 :- Kate Hanlon;

St. Mary Magdalene's: Aug. 15 :- Ann Hutton (1996);

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

Sick Parishioners - St. John's:, Patricia Crawford, Guilio Crolla, Bob Crabbe, Mary Phair, Patrick Doherty, Jane Wright, Alf Macnamara, Gerry Wynne, Mary Phillips, Lorna Dickson, Francis Ginnelly, John Ritchie, Patrick McCafferty, Tricia Davies, Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, Isobel O'Neill, Ina McNama, Josie Martin, David Thom, John Cregan, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Grady, Jane McGuire, Kathy & Jimmy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Fay Dignan, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Pat Kershaw, Michael & Maimie Richards, Joan Howie, Helen Harrison, Cathy McGravie, Jane Murray, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Malachy Meehan, Ann Ward, Gerry Houston, and Lorraine Syme.

Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's: Rose McKay, Anne McGeachie, Denis Davidson, Laurie Wallace, Elizabeth Mackail, Betty McEwing, Annie Watson, Isobel Phillips, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Silvia Berry, Tony Matrundola, Jude Ferguson, and Mary & James Muir.

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: Kathleen McConnell George Collins, Cathie Hogg, Margaret Robb, Alan Dougal, Mary Thomson, Sr Anne Doherty SND, Ena McCann, John Donnelly, Angela Khaleeli, Joan Young, Noel Catherine Leslie, Dymna Clifford, Austen Tod, Roy McGillivray, Hugh McGeady, Peter Kent, Isabel Bolus, John Allan, 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: Catriona McGillivray and John Kelly
... and for next Sunday Robert Moyes and Laura Tweedie

Bidding Prayers: Kate Neilson
Bidding Prayers: Anne Jabir

St. John's

Maria Igoe writes: 'The Charity Coffee Morning held on Monday 8th August raised £110 for Sightsavers. Thank you to all who donated.

GIFT AID. If you are a gift aider and have not yet collected your envelopes from the back of the church please do look for the marked box where you will find your 2016-17 gift aid pack. If you have not managed to collect your envelopes and would like them to be delivered please contact Pauline in the parish office. Many thanks.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

VIGIL: P McInnes, O Brooks, B Kelly. **SUNDAY:** E Buckley, P McLellan Hawkes, P Glancy, M McDiarmid,
C Volpe

Offertory Collections for 6TH & 7TH August

St Mary Magdalene's
£387.25 (inc. £253.50 Gift Aided)

St John the Evangelist
£834.09 (inc. £371.28 Gift Aided)

SCIAF Appeal

£247.58

£661.48 (inc. £41.50 Gift Aided)

Many thanks

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Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 13th August	10.00am Mass: James Dignan 10.30am: <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> 6.30pm Vigil Mass: Fr Tony McDonald	
Sunday 14th August <i>TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</i>	9.30am Mass: People of the Parish	11.15am Mass: Canon Eddie Glackin
Monday 15th August <i>SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i>	6.15-6.50: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.00pm Mass: Fr Jimmy O'Reilly	10.00am Mass: Fr Tony MacDonald
Tuesday 16th August	9.45am Mass: Margaret Waugh [NB Time]	
Wednesday 17th August	10.00am Mass: Mary Florence Crabbe	
Thursday 18th August	10.00am Eucharistic Service	6.15-6.50: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.00pm Mass: Mick McKeown
Friday 19th August	9.25am to 9.55am: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 10.00 am Mass John, Vincent and Eileen McGlinchey 3pm to 4pm: <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
Saturday 20th August <i>MEMORIAL OF ST BERNARD</i>	10.00am Mass: Maria Crolla 10.30am: <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> 6.30pm Vigil Mass: People of the Parish	
Sunday 21st August	9.30am Mass: Mary Cafferkey	11.15am Mass: William and Bridget Gillespie

Community health is measurable

‘The health of a community can be measured by the quality of its welcome of the unexpected visitor or of someone who is poor, by the joy and simplicity of relationships between its members, by its creativity in response to the cry of the poor.’

Jean Vanier, Community and Growth (p139)

