

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

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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

21st AUGUST 2016

This Saturday 27 August at 10am at St John's, there is our three monthly Bereavement Mass, to which everybody is warmly invited, especially those who are living with the pain of loss....after the Mass, there will be tea, coffee, biscuits and cakes in the Hall. The celebration is co-ordinated by our Bereavement Team, who will be available if anyone wants a chat or to arrange a visit.

The annual second collection for the **African Missions, and the upkeep of the Holy Places** will take place next weekend.

Two new initiatives for the Autumn in association with St Mark's Episcopal Church and with other Portobello and Area Churches. The First starts next Sunday..

- **'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) 29 August, 4 and 11 September.**

Russell Moffat will introduce an acclaimed DVD with **world renowned contributors** from both sides of the **science/God debate** focusing on three main areas: **the Cosmos, Evolution, and the hidden depths of Mind and Consciousness**. Each session will involve presentation and discussion – no prior knowledge of science is necessary. There will be no cost either.

(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

Thursday 25th August: 10.45am: Parish House: Pastoral Team Meeting.

7.00pm: St Mary Magdalene's Hall: **St Mary Magdalene's Pastoral Council Meeting** - with Patricia Carroll, Diocesan Pastoral Resources Co-ordinator. (NB Change of date).

7.30pm: Parish House: **Baptism Preparation Meeting 1.**

Friday 26th August: 4.15pm: Parish House: RCIA Planning Meeting.

Saturday 27th August: 10.00am: St. John's: **Bereavement Mass.**

1.30pm: St. John's: **Wedding of Stephanie Jarvie and Matthew Inocchio.**

Sunday 28th August: 9.30am: St John's: **Mass with baptism of Cormac Sutherland.**

3pm: Sancta Maria Abbey: Afternoon of Mercy - Celebrating God's Mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Archbishop Leo Cushley

7.00pm: St John's Hall: **'The God Question' 1**

IN THE COMING WEEKS

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

Saturday 3rd September: : 10.00am – 12.00 noon. **Twende Pamoja Clothing Sale:** Sale of quality clothes and accessories. Teas and coffees available

10.30am – 1.00pm: **St John's Open Church**

10.45am: Parish House: **Lectio Divina Group meeting.** All welcome to reflect together on the Sunday readings.

Sunday 4th September: NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN IN HONOUR OF ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND: 3pm: Concelebrated Mass. '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

Maria Igoe writes: 'A minibus will be going to Nunraw on Sunday 28th August for the celebration of God's mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Archbishop Leo Cushley. We will leave St John's at 1pm and return at 7.30pm. If you wish to go, please contact Maria Igoe 6690247.'

Remaining Evenings of Mercy: Diocesan Gatherings will be held on

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

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

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): 20-21, 24 -28 August at 7.30 pm. The performance lasts 2 hours 15 mins (with interval). Tickets: £10.00 (£8.00 concessions. Tickets are available at the door or from the Fringe Box Office 0131 226 0000.'

VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT FAIR: Wednesday 21st September, 2016: 11am – 7.00pm: St Paul's and St George's Church (P&G's), York Place; 'Free entry to members of the public – no need to book – just turn up! The Fair will feature around 50 organisations looking for volunteers, a friendly café to relax and refresh in, access to hundreds of volunteering opportunities across the city, free learning zone workshops. 'Please see the poster at the back of the church.

NEW BEGINNINGS GROUP: 'A Sense of Belonging': Our Lady of Loretto Church Hall, 17 Newbigging, Musselburgh, EH21 7AJ: **Tuesday 27th September, 6.30 – 8.30pm** (six weekly sessions) 'New Beginnings is a six week coping skills support group for those struggling with **bereavement, separation or divorce** and who would like to find positive ways to move forward. The group can help to: Alleviate the sense of loss and loneliness, build up self-esteem and confidence. It seeks to enable participants to take small steps in the right direction, ease feelings and lift mood and to find a sense of hope. For further information, please contact: Catherine Wallace on 07591097732.'

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.

AGEING WELL: ‘Are you over 50 and would like to meet new friends, enjoy the fresh air and get healthier?’ Come and join us for a walk along the Prom every **Wednesday from 24th August – 2nd November 2016: 10.30am.** Walks are led by trained, experienced volunteers. Meeting point: Café Refresh, Portobello Swim Centre, 57 Promenade, Edinburgh EH15 2BS. For more information, please contact the Ageing Well office on 0131 458 2183 or ageingwell@edinburghleisure.co.uk

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: William Burns

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: William and Bridget Gillespie and Alexander Bruce

St John’s:

Aug.20 :- John Pelosi (2009); Nellie McIntee (2005); Allan Dobson (2000); May Knight(1976); Cathie Fairgrieve;

Aug.21 :- Alexander Binnie Jr. (1992); Margaret Ward (1956); Francis Bell; **Aug.23** :- Norah Hall (2009);

James Anderson (2007); Thomas Bannon (1999); William Power (1991); Mary Martin (1990); Ann Hughes (1977); Nora Stone (1976); **Aug.24** :- Theresa Bell (2011); Sarah McDonough (2010); Ian Bain (2001); Kitty Demarco (1997);

Thomas Tracy (1996); **Aug.25** :- John Fegan (2008); Bridget Halpenny (1992); Guido Avella (1991); **Aug.26** :- James Martin (2008); Maureen Lacey (1983);

St. Mary Magdalene’s:

Aug.21 :- John McNulty (1967); John Monteith (1967); **Aug. 24** :- Mary Damer (2002);

Aug.26 :- John Flannigan (2005);

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: 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, Dymrna Clifford, Austen Tod, Roy McGillivray, Hugh McGeady, Peter Kent, Isabel Bolus, John Allan, Isabel McInrue, Anne Gallagher, Denise O’Donnell, 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: Robert Moyes and Laura Tweedie
... and for next Sunday Olaf Pusch and Mary Fenwick

Bidding Prayers: Anne Jabir
Bidding Prayers: Peggy Ferguson

St. John’s

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: G Sellar, J Kemp, V Knowles. **SUNDAY:** E Clark, A Tanzi, L Dick, L Young, E White

Offertory Collections for 13th & 14th August

St Mary Magdalene’s
£216.10 (inc. £63.00 Gift Aided)

St John the Evangelist
£741.93 (inc. £367.40 Gift Aided)

Mission Appeal for Columban Sisters

£339.99

£648.58

Many Thanks

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
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 <i>TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</i>	9.30am Mass: Mary Cafferkey	11.15am Mass: William and Bridget Gillespie
Monday 22nd August <i>MEMORIAL OF THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i>	10.00am Mass: Fr Tony MacDonald 7-8pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tuesday 23rd August	10.00am Eucharistic Service	6.25 – 6.55: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 7.00pm Mass: John Howell
Wednesday 24th August <i>FEAST OF ST BARTHOLEMEW</i>	10.00am Mass: Alexander Bruce	
Thursday 25th August	10.00am Eucharistic Service	10.00am Mass: Kate O'Mara
Friday 26th August	9.25am to 9.55am: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 10.00 am Mass Doris Foote 3pm to 4pm: <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
Saturday 27th August <i>MEMORIAL OF ST MONICA</i>	10.00am Mass: Bereavement Mass 10.45am: <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> 6.30pm Vigil Mass: Canon Pat O'Hare	
Sunday 28th August <i>TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</i>	9.30am Mass: Mgr James Rae	11.15am Mass: People of the Parish

Giving Life

‘People who are old or sick and offer themselves to God can become the most precious members of a community – lightning conductors of grace. There is a mystery in the secret strength of those whose bodies are broken, who seem to do nothing all day, but who remain in the presence of God. Their immobility obliges them to keep their minds and hearts fixed on the essential, on the source of life itself. Their suffering and agony bears fruit; they give life.’

Jean Vanier, Community and Growth (p155)

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