

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

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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

26TH JUNE 2016



There is a Thanksgiving Mass for all 28 First Communicants at St Mary Magdalene's today, during which Mackena Chalmers will be confirmed. This is an opportunity for the **children's prayer partners** to meet their candidate.

This Wednesday is the Feast of St Peter and St Paul, a holiday of obligation and celebration! Mass will be at 10am at St Mary Magdalene's – with St John's Primary School and at 7pm at St John's.

Next Sunday, there will be a Special Collection at all weekend Masses for Peter's Pence.

The Parishes of St John the Evangelist and St Mary Magdalene are seeking an open-hearted and experienced administrator to come and join the pastoral team on a flexible, part-time basis to support our two Parishes.

The Administrator will be responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Sister Parishes, working closely with the Parish Priest and the Pastoral Team. Informal enquiries and to receive full details of the role and how to apply are available from Fr. Jock Dalrymple jockdalrymple@postmaster.co.uk T: 0131 669 5447

Closing date for receipt of applications is **Monday 4th July** with interviews anticipated on **Tuesday 12th July 2016**.

A Note from the Parishes' Communications Group:

'It is important that our Parish communicates well, to those regularly attending Mass, to those in touch with the Church but not regularly coming along and to those considering or interested in returning. Modern communication tools such as social media are proving to be very effective tools for evangelising.

In order to make sure we do our very best to communicate well a Communications Group has been formed; bringing together representatives from St Mary Magdalene's and St John's to plan, deliver and review all the communications media that we use: Newsletter, Face-Book and Websites.

The group have written a set of guidelines to help us observe best practice, particularly with online social media. This is why, for example, before the recent First Communion Masses the use of photographs on social media was explained and those cautious about their photo appearing online were asked to alert the team. So, bearing in mind that social media can be contentious, the Communications Group has decided that appointing an Ombudsman to help resolve any worries that people might have with social media would be wise. John Lauder has been asked to fulfil that role. John can be contacted via his email at Lauder.82@btinternet.com and on 07710 626 697 and through the Parish Office.'

St John's Open Doors Day: Saturday 2nd July 10.30 -13.00. This is an opportunity to spend some quiet, reflective time in the church. Volunteers to welcome visitors are invited to add their names to the list at the back of the church.

Living Faith Booklets: July – September. The latest edition of these booklets is available at the back of the church.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 26th June: 9.30am: **Children's Mass for Primary 3 and others.**

11.15am: **Thanksgiving Mass for the First Communicants.**

Tuesday 28th June: 10.00am: St. John's Hall: **St John's Party Toddlers Group.** (This is the final gathering of the Toddlers before the summer break.)

2.00pm: St John's School: **Primary 7 Leavers' Mass.**

Wednesday 29th June: Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

10.00am: St Mary Magdalene's: **Mass with St John's Primary School**

7.00pm: St John's: **Mass (nb slightly earlier time than normal)**

Thursday 30 June: 3pm: Parish House: **Pastoral Team Meeting**

Friday 1 July: 7pm: St John's: **Wedding Rehearsal for Christopher Umwani and Pauline Leys**

Saturday 2nd July: 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 Doors Day**

3.00pm: **Wedding of Christopher Umwani and Pauline Leys**

Sunday 3rd July: Annual Pilgrimage to Scalan with Mass outdoors at 4.00pm prompt. – Homilist: Archbishop Leo Cushley. This year marks the 300th anniversary of the foundation of the college at Scalan in 1716.

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Saturday 9th July: 10.45am: Parish House: **Lectio Divina Group meeting.**

Monday 25th – Friday 29th July 2016. 9am to 12.45pm. PORTOBELLO HOLIDAY CLUB. 'Guardians of Ancora - 'Children of primary school age welcome to come along for games, gardening, crafts, music, bible stories, and more. Cost £5 per child or £1 per day. Portobello & Joppa Parish Church, 1 Brunstane Rd Nth, EH15 2DL. Please email Portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com to register by 18 July'.

NOTICEBOARD

Sheila McWhirter, Community Development Worker, Bingham and Magdalene writes 'Community Renewal staff have connected with around 500 local people in Bingham and Magdalene to find out what they like and value about the area, to raise any concerns they may have and to ask what changes they would like to see. The information will be used to bring funding from the **People's Health Trust** into the two areas. It is envisaged that local people will take the lead in deciding how the resources are spent.

To assist with the Community Renewal application to the People's Health Trust two meetings are being held to enable local residents to help in the decision as to how the money could be spent over the next three to five years.

The first meeting will be held at **Bingham Community Centre on Monday 27th June from 11.30am – 1.00pm** (tea and biscuits available). The second meeting will be held at **Magdalene Community Centre on Monday 27th June at 7.00pm**. If you cannot attend either meeting, or want more information please call Sheila McWhirter on 07860272924'.

Legion of Mary: Maria Igoe writes 'The Legion of Mary are always looking for new members willing to visit the sick and housebound of our Parishes. If you would be interested in this, please feel very welcome to come along to one of our Meetings, held weekly on Tuesdays at approx 10.30am in the Presbytery, 3 Sandford Gardens. Consider taking on a Corporal Work of Mercy in this Year of Mercy.'

JUSTICE & PEACE. A message from the Justice & Peace Group. 'Thanks to all who came to our film and bingo night on Friday. The film, from Mary's Meals, impressed everyone present and the short bingo session was very entertaining, the occasion enhanced by our celebrity bingo caller (a.k.a. Fr Jock). Thanks to all who contributed prizes, homebaking and in particular for the donations - although fundraising wasn't the object of the evening, we received £181 in donations which will be forwarded on to Mary's Meals. PS The DVD is available to any groups/individuals who would like to see it – please contact the parish office (669 5447) or email stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com'

PASTORAL MINISTRY TRAINING COURSE – INFORMATION EVENING 29th AUGUST 7pm at GILLIS CENTRE

The Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh will offer a one year course in the New Evangelisation and Ministry starting in Autumn of this Year. This is validated by the Maryvale Institute. Participants will take part in three modules and three study days. The first study day will be Saturday 8th October 2016. For further information and to register interest contact patricia.carroll@staned.org.uk

DATA PROTECTION POLICY. Copies of the Data Protection Policy operated and approved by the Archdiocese have been displayed on noticeboards in both churches. We are asked to make parishioners aware of this policy document and to request that volunteers in particular familiarise themselves with the contents. Spare copies are available for those volunteers to whom the data protection policy is most relevant. Please contact the parish office if this applies to you.

Offertory Collections for 18th June & 19th June

St Mary Magdalene's
£337.89 (inc. £221 Gift Aided)

Special Collection for Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund

£324.16 (inc. £214 Gift Aided)

St John the Evangelist
£1043.63 (inc. £551.40 Gift Aided)

£884.38 (inc. £401 Gift Aided)

Why not visit our parishes' Facebook page www.facebook.com/StJohnsAndStMaryMagdalenes

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: Joan Galligan, Mary Frances McLoughlin and Eddie Mangan

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: Martin Gibbs and Annie Bryce

St John's: Letitia Sellar

June 25:- Alexander Whigham (2015); Mary Foley (1993); George Docherty (1992); Edward Coll (1978);

June 26:- Margaret Crumlish (2006); Freda Lynch (1994); **June 27:-** Edward Cassidy (2000); Norma Grant (1997);

June 28:- Rosella Scott (2012); James O'Brien (1993); Francis Early (1990); John O'Brien (1915); **June 29:-** Harry Cockburn (1988); Nello Andreucetti (1973); **June 30:-** Marie Veronica McAuley (2007); Anne Lawler (1977); John Stone (1930); **July 1:-** John Fusco (2008); Patrick Barrins (1942);

St. Mary Magdalene's : June 28:- Donna Skey (1970);

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

Sick Parishioners - St. John's:, Cecilia Sharkey, Jim Raeburn, 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 Florence & Bob Crabbe, Mary Grady, Jane McGuire, Kathy & Jimmy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Fay Dignan, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Pat Kershaw, Michael & Mamie 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: Anne McGeachie, Denis Davidson, Laurie Wallace, Elizabeth Mackail, Betty McEwing, Annie Watson, Isobel Phillips, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Silvia Berry, Tony Matrondola, Jude Ferguson, Mary & James Muir and Rose McKay.

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: (baby) Peter William Kelly, Alan Dougal, Mary Thomson, Sr Anne Doherty SND, Ena McCann, Mary Brockie, John Donnelly, Angela Khaleeli, Joan Young, Noel Flanagan, Catherine Leslie, Dympna Clifford, Austen Tod, Fr Tony McDonald, Edward Martin, 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:

First Communion Joint Celebration

... and for next Sunday

Tessa Haring & Sam Henry

Bidding Prayers: Kate Neilson

FOOD PARCEL SERVICE: If you would like to donate to the food parcel service supporting families in the local community, please leave donations of tinned food in the box provided at the back of the 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

With the newsletter this week is an insert with the notes of St John's Open Meeting on Sunday 8th May along with St John's Finance Report for the year ending 31 December 2015. On the back of this insert you will find a summary list of the groups, teams & activities to be included in the St John's handbook which is currently being developed. If you know of, or are involved in, a parish group or activity which has not been included in this list, please speak to Fr Jock (669 5447) or email stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com.

Hospitality Group. Mary Iannarelli writes: 'In addition to our existing excellent Sunday Hospitality group, it is hoped to set up a general Hospitality group whose members would take responsibility for providing hospitality at occasional parish meetings and events. It is hoped that volunteers would only be needed on 2 or 3 occasions during the year depending on the number of volunteers in the group. If you would like to find out more or volunteer please contact Mary Iannarelli on 07534666439.'

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

VIGIL: J Roarty, J Plews, M Watson.

SUNDAY: K Gallagher, C Volpe, A Dixon, J Rynn, A Tanzi.

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 25th June	10.00am Mass Mary and Andrew Smart 10.30am: <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> 6.30pm Vigil Mass Fr Brian Donnelly	
Sunday 26th June <i>THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</i>	9.30am Mass Stephen Sutherland	11.15am Mass People of the Parish
Monday 27th June	10.00am Mass Annie Bryce 7pm to 8pm: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
Tuesday 28th June <i>MEMORIAL OF ST IRENAEUS</i>	10.00am Eucharistic Service	6.15-7pm: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 7.00pm Mass SI – Sick person
Wednesday 29th June <i>SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL</i>	7.00 pm Mass Canon Jim Foley	10.00am Mass Fr Tom Hennessy Mass with St John's Primary School
Thursday 30th June	10.00am Mass Joan Galligan	
Friday 1st July <i>SOLEMNITY OF THE BAPTISM OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</i>	9.15am to 10am: <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 10.00am Mass Peter Mcguigan 3pm to 4pm: <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
Saturday 2nd July	10.00am Mass Jean Connolly 10.30am: <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> 3pm: Wedding of Christopher Umwani & Pauline Leys 6.30pm Vigil Mass Letitia Sellar	
Sunday 3rd July <i>FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</i>	9.30am Mass SI – 70 th Birthday	11.15am Mass People of the parish

The Concerns of Humanity

‘The fundamental questions of humanity are always around love and hate, guilt and forgiveness, peace and war, truth and lies (or illusions), the meaning of life and death, and belief in God.’

Jean Vanier, Community and Growth, p85.