

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

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**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**      **1 MAY 2016**

**This Thursday is the Feast of the Ascension**, a Holiday of Obligation (and celebration!). There will be Mass at 10am at St John's and at 7.30pm at St Mary Magdalene's.

There will be a **Special Collection at all masses this weekend** to support the Vatican's intervention to alleviate the tragic consequences of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine.

**Next Sunday is World Communications Day** and there will be a **Special Collection (another one – sorry!)** - at all weekend masses - for the apostolate of communications.

**On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 29 Primary 4 children will join 10 children from St Theresa's and Archbishop Cushley at St Theresa's to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.** Please pray for our candidates -

**Annie Santana, Aryan Hafezi, Ben Kelly, Erin Edwards, Ewan Hutton, Frederik Pusch, Gabriela Pacitti, Gabriela Rot, Hannah Young, Iona Mbele, Julia Olszevska, Katie Waite Conroy, Keir Wallace, Kieran Finlayson, Leon Mackie, Lola Sclater, Lorcan McNally, Mackenna Chalmers, Martha O'Hanlon, Naomi Cochrane, Neve Egan, Nicole Brunka, Ryan Demarco, Samuel Curran, Shay Patterson, Tommy Jaimieson, Tyler Sivier, Zak Stewart, and Zuzanna Orlowska.** We hope their prayer partners, in particular, might be there to celebrate with them.

**Next Sunday** Fr Jock will be preaching at the 10.30am Eucharist at St Mark's Episcopal Church. In turn, the Rev Dr Sophia Marriage, the St Mark's parish priest, will be our guest on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, and will preach at the 9.30am Mass at St John's and the 11.15am Mass at St Mary Magdalene's. Fr John Robinson will kindly celebrate our morning Masses on the 8th.

**Sr Margaret Mary has written** to thank parishioners for so generously supporting the work of the pastoral centre in Rwanda 'I am overwhelmed by the generosity of parishioners and so grateful. We will have Mass for God's blessing on them and their families next Tuesday in thanksgiving.' Two events in the coming week will be raising funds for the project in Rwanda – **Martin Aelred's concert on Wednesday** in St John's Church and **St John's Church Summer Fayre on Saturday** (both advertised in this week's newsletter.)



**'AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 MINUTES'**

**MARTIN AELRED**

**PRESENTS**

**SONGS & MUSIC FROM AROUND THE WORLD**

**ST JOHN'S CHURCH, PORTOBELLO.**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm.**

**ENTRANCE FREE**

**(There will be a leaving collection from which half of the proceeds will be donated to Sr Margaret Mary's Pastoral Centre in Rwanda.)**

## PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: Kitty Haurihane.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: John and Josephina McDiarmid, Ian Gorman, Mollie Brogan, Barbara Blackburn, Donald Mcleod, Owen Connarty, Patrick Taylor, Catherine Tracy, Joseph Cunningham, Alexander Durkin, Marjory Gilchrist, Alexander Wallace, Anne Brennan, Sarah Boyle, Annie Czaba, Glenda Wood, Henry Stuart Mackersey, Peter Moran, John McElroy, Kevin Flynn, Edward Hanlon, Theresa Henderson, David Michael, Metcalfe, Lorna Demarco, James H McGrory, Bridget Murray and Mary Macnamara

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

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

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: Angela Khaleeli, Joan Young, baby James Archibald Higgins, Noel Flanagan, Catherine Leslie, Dympna Clifford, Austen Tod, Fr Tony McDonald, Edward Martin, 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.

## THIS WEEK

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May:** 11.15am: St Mary Magdalene's Church. **Mass with baptisms of Daisy & Eve Williamson and Reece Gianblanco.**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May:** 2.30 pm: St John's: **Mass with Anointing of the Sick**

7.30pm: St John's Church Hall: **Meeting for Eucharistic Ministers from both parishes.**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May:** 7pm: St Theresa's: **Confirmation Rehearsal.**

7.30pm: Duddingston Church Hall: **GARDENERS' QUESTION TIME.** Tickets £5 inc. refreshments.

**8pm:** St Mary Magdalene's. **St Mary Magdalene's Pastoral Council Meeting.** (Please note later time.)

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May:** 7pm: St John's Church Hall. **St John's Open Parish Meeting.**

## NOTICEBOARD

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> May 2016.** Are you interested in volunteering as a Door-2-Door collector for this annual fundraising effort to support Christian Aid's work to eradicate poverty? If so, please contact Grant Sellar ([gcsellar@gmail.com](mailto:gcsellar@gmail.com) or 657 3805) or Aileen Hall as soon as possible for further details. Donation envelopes will also be available at the back of both churches.

**CATHOLIC TEACHER'S CERTIFICATE.** Please see noticeboards in both churches for details of how to gain the Catholic Teacher's Certificate in Religious Education (CTC) in academic year 2016/17.



## **ST JOHN'S CHURCH**

### **SUMMER FAYRE**

**SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**10am to 1pm**

**St John's Church Hall, Brighton Place, Portobello.**

**Come along and enjoy teas, coffees and home baking, tombola, plant stall, face painting, and lots more!**

**All most welcome.**

## ST MARY MAGDALENE'S

**Readers for this Sunday:** John Cunningham & Anne Jabir  
... and for next Sunday Irene Duncan & Aileen Hall

**Bidding Prayers:** Baptism  
**Bidding Prayers:** Kate Neilson

**200 Club.** The winner for March was No 41, Isobel Forbes, who wins £25. And the winner for April was No 34, Clive Davis who wins £25. Congratulations!

**Liz Davis's funeral.** Clive would like to express his grateful thanks to all those who contributed to the collection for Dementia Scotland which amounted to £595.

... and a reminder that St Mary Magdalene's Pastoral Council meeting will take place this Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 8pm.

## St. John's

**The St Johns Open Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday 8th May at 7pm in the Church Hall and will include elections to the Parish Pastoral Council.** Siobhan Sellar writes: 'We would like to invite nominations from those interested in joining and anticipate that around 4-5 new members will be appointed over the coming months. Any parishioner over the age of 16 may become a member and our desire is that the Parish Council truly represents all members of the Parish drawing on a range of strengths, skills and experiences to reflect diversity. The normal term of office shall be 3 years. If you are interested in finding out more or putting your name forward in advance or on the night then drop an email to stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com or speak to Fr. Jock.

**Summer Fayre in St John's Church Hall on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May.** Gena Gallagher writes: 'Preparations are well under way for our Summer Fayre next Saturday and we are very grateful to all who have offered support. We would very much appreciate donations of home baking and/or plants for our plant stall. We have had some generous donations of prizes already, but it's not too late to hand in your donations for the raffle or the bottle stall. These can be left in the designated box at the back of the Church or handed in to the parish house (phone 669 5447) or speak to Gena Gallagher, Chris Vinestock or Pauline Connarty. Please dig deep to support the parish's fundraising efforts and pray that the sun shines!'

**Maria Igoe writes:** 'The next **Charity Coffee Morning will be on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May** in St John's Hall after 10am Mass. Donations will be given to Mary's Meals. Please come along.'

**Church Open Day.** St. John's Church will be open next Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May from after morning Mass till 1.30pm to offer passers-by the chance to enjoy a few moments of quiet reflection. If you would like to volunteer to be a quiet presence in the church for an hour, please add your name to the sign up list at the back of the church.

### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK**

**VIGIL:** P MacInnes, M Reilly, J Martin.

**SUNDAY:** E Clark, K Dykes, M McDiarmid, E White, J Rynn.

**Many, many thanks to Gill Dick,** who for the last 12 years has helped train, guide and care for our altar servers with great generosity of spirit and sensitivity. She recently decided to take a step back. We are immensely grateful to her for her dedication and commitment.

*Warm birthday greetings to Mary Bevan, who celebrated her 60<sup>th</sup> birthday last Thursday, 21st April ... and to Jeremy Devlin-Thorp, who will be 60 next Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May.*

### *Offertory Collections for 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> April*

**St Mary Magdalene's**  
£271.73 (inc. £156.50 Gift Aided)

**St John the Evangelist**  
£1,013.50 (inc. £549.90 Gift Aided)

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## Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
<b>Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April</b> <i>Memorial of St Pius V</i>	<b>10am Mass</b> Margaret Grieve <b>10.30am:</b> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>  <b>6.30pm Vigil Mass</b> People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b> <i>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</i>	<b>9.30am Mass</b> Mollie Brogan	<b>11.15am Mass with baptisms</b> Donald Mcleod
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b> <i>MEMORIAL OF ST ATHANASIUS</i>	<b>2.30pm Mass with Anointing</b> Bill & Mary Mcpartlin  <b>7pm to 8pm:</b> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b> <i>FEAST OF ST PHILIP AND ST JAMES</i>	<b>10.00am Eucharistic Service</b>	<b>10am Mass</b> John Mitchell
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10.00am Mass</b> John & Josephina McDiarmid	
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</i>	<b>10.00am Mass</b> Barbara Blackburn	<b>7.30pm Mass</b> Fr Jim Cosker
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>9.15am to 10am:</b> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>10.00am Mass (with pupils from St John's Primary School.)</b> Kitty Hourihane  <b>3pm to 4pm:</b> <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10.00am Mass</b> Ian Gorman <b>10.30am:</b> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>  <b>3pm Confirmations at St Teresa of Lisieux</b>  <b>6.30pm Vigil Mass</b> Fr Tom Hurley	
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</i>	<b>9.30am Mass</b> People of the Parish	<b>11.15am Mass</b> Margaret Wagenbichler

A message from Pope Francis for Migrants and Refugees.

‘Never lose hope that on your journey you will encounter an outstretched hand and that you can experience fraternal solidarity and the warmth of friendship! To all of you, and to those who have devoted their efforts to helping you, I give the assurance of my prayers.’