

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

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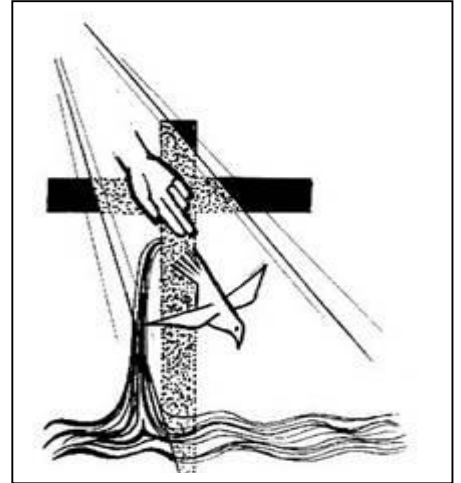
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**SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

**22 MAY 2016**



**This Sunday is Trinity Sunday. A very warm welcome to Revd. Dr Sophia Marriage, the Rector of St Mark's, who is our guest at the Sunday morning Masses at both St Mary Magdalene's and St John's.**

**In anticipation of the Feast of the Visitation on 31<sup>st</sup> May there will be a Special collection at all Masses next weekend for the Bishops of Scotland's Day for Life.**

Many thanks to **the Russian Choir** who sang a post communion reflection at 9.30am Mass at St John's last Sunday. The choir would love to welcome more singers from the parish and wider community. To find out more, please contact Mirjam at [therussianchoir@gmail.com](mailto:therussianchoir@gmail.com).

**PORTOBELLO HOLIDAY CLUB. 'Guardians of Ancora' 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> July 2016. 9am to 12.45pm.** 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](mailto:Portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com) to register by 18 July. **Fr Jock writes – 'please, a final request: we are still looking for someone to represent our 2 parishes on the ecumenical planning group for the Holiday Club, an initiative of all the Churches – if you wish to learn more about what's involved, do please contact me...'**

**SCIAF 'WEE BOX' APPEAL.** We have received a letter from Rachel Lamb, Parish Officer at SCIAF, thanking parishioners for the most generous response to this year's Lenten appeal which raised £2,952.30.

**THIS WEEK**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May:** 3pm: St John's Church Hall. **Meeting for the September 2016 Assisi Pilgrimage.**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May:** 7pm: St John's Church Hall. **Meeting for Primary 4 First Communion parents.**

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May:** 10am: St John's Church Hall. **St John's Party Toddler Group.**

7pm: Parish House. **Website Planning Meeting.**

7pm: Parish House. **St John's Fabric Committee Meeting.**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May:** 7.45pm: Parish House. **Planning Meeting for the pastoral council chairs and parish priests of our 5 cluster parishes – in preparation for the first of 3 Cluster Meetings on Saturday 18 June.**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May:** 10.45am: Parish House. **'Lectio Divina' Group Meeting.** All welcome to reflect and share on next Sunday's Gospel (Please note change of day.)

7pm: St John's Church: Service of Consecration to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. Maria Igoe writes from Medjugorje that everyone will be given a Miraculous Medal ... tea & goodies in the Hall after.

7pm: Gillis Centre. World Youth Day **'Polish Food & Fun Evening'**. - with the Archbishop A fundraising evening for young people attending WYD in Krakow with Pope Francis. All most welcome!

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May:** 10am: St Mary Magdalene's Church: **Bereavement Mass.**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May:** 9.30am: St John's Church. **Mass with 'Do this in Memory of Me' children.**

3pm: Meeting at Archbishop's Residence, 42 Greenhill Gdns, Edinburgh. **Archdiocesan Lourdes Day.** 'The Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh inaugural Lourdes Day will take place at 3pm on Sunday 29 May with a Marian procession through the streets of Edinburgh followed by Solemn Benediction and the blessing of the sick. The procession will be led by Archbishop Leo Cushley and will set off from the Archbishop's residence, 42 Greenhill Gardens, at 3pm. It will conclude at the nearby St Margaret's Chapel, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road. A celebratory reception will follow. **All are very welcome.** The event is organised by the Archdiocese's Lourdes Pilgrimage Group, the Edinburgh Hospitalité. For more information go to [www.edinburgh-lourdes.com](http://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com).'

#### **IN THE COMING WEEKS**

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May:** 7.30pm to 9pm: Lauriston Jesuit Centre, Lauriston St. Summer Talks (1) '*The Early Church*' presented by Fr Gero McLaughlin. (Talk (2) '*The Ignatian Tradition*' will be on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.)

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June:** 7.30pm: St John's Church. Mike Knox writes: '**You are invited to a time of reflection & prayer on the Compassionate & Sacred Heart of Jesus.**' (Further details in noticeboard section.)

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June:** 7.30pm: Sacred Heart Hall, Lauriston Street. **Chemin Neuf Community 'A Passion for Unity'**. A presentation about the work of Chemin Neuf. Further details at [www.chemin-neuf.org](http://www.chemin-neuf.org)

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June:** 12.30pm: Old Parish Church, Bellfield St, Portobello. **Portobello & Musselburgh Quakers are holding a lunch to raise funds for Fresh Start.** Please do phone Alastair Cameron if you would like an invitation 0131 669 5129 or email [mandolin.alastair@gmail.com](mailto:mandolin.alastair@gmail.com)

#### **NOTICEBOARD**

**THEATRE ALBA @ DUDDINGSTON.** Theatre Alba will be performing '**The Shepherd Beguiled**' in the grounds of Duddingston Kirk Manse during the Edinburgh Festival from 9<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> August. **If you would like the opportunity to perform as an extra in this production alongside a cast of professional actors and musicians please contact Charlie Nowosielski (01875 871279 or 07940 498311).**

**FOCOLARE WEEKEND. Friday 8 July to Sunday 10 July.** Craigmare Centre, Gartmore House, nr Aberfoyle. Mariopolis 2016 is the annual meeting of members and friends of the Focolare Movement, an international Christian movement which seeks to work for peace and unity in society. The weekend is open to all faiths and to those who wish to work for a more united world. For further details please phone 0141 637 3316.

**ST CATHERINE'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY.** Head Teacher, Mr Paul Hunter, writes: 'This year, St. Catherine's RC Primary School in Gracemount, Edinburgh is celebrating its 50th year. To mark the occasion, the school are having two open afternoons to showcase photographs and memorabilia of the school's 50 years. We would like to invite any former pupils, families or members of our school community to come along and take a walk along memory lane and relive their experiences, memories and exploits of St. Catherine's Primary from their time here. Other information is available from the school's website on [www.st-catherines.edin.sch.uk](http://www.st-catherines.edin.sch.uk) or by calling the school office on 0131 664 4257.'

**JOB VACANCIES.** Post of deputy headteacher in St Andrews, Kirkcaldy. More details can be found at [www.myjobscotland.gov.uk/councils/fife-council/jobs/depute-headteacher-fif04253-47603](http://www.myjobscotland.gov.uk/councils/fife-council/jobs/depute-headteacher-fif04253-47603)

Post of Cemetery Operative based at Mount Vernon Cemetery. Please see noticeboards for further details or contact Anna Kulwicka 0131 623 8906 [anna.kulwicka@staned.org.uk](mailto:anna.kulwicka@staned.org.uk)

#### *Offertory Collections for 14<sup>th</sup> May & 15<sup>th</sup> May*

**St Mary Magdalene's**  
£304.72 (inc. £197 Gift Aided)

**St John the Evangelist**  
£1,035.19 (inc. £544.10 Gift Aided)

**Why not visit our parishes' Facebook page** [www.facebook.com/StJohnsAndStMaryMagdalenes](http://www.facebook.com/StJohnsAndStMaryMagdalenes)

**‘AND WHEN I AM LIFTED UP ABOVE THE EARTH ...’**

**A time of reflection and prayer on the Compassionate and Sacred Heart of Jesus – led by Mike Knox**

**Wednesday 1 June 2016 at 7.30pm in St John’s Church**

An opportunity, during this Year of Mercy and in preparation for the celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart, to spend some time looking again at the meaning and mystery of the Incarnation, as expressed in the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

This time of reflection and prayer for the healing of ourselves and for our world, will focus on a new image of the Sacred Heart. The session will use scripture and the words of Pope Francis, music, art, sharing and silence to give each person the space to experience in their heart the compassionate love of Jesus and to know something more of what Jesus meant when he said “And when I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all people to myself ...” (John 12:32)

**PARISH REGISTER**

**Please pray for those who have died recently:** Valentino Rivera (aged 8), Betty Stewart, Kathleen Murray, Marion Moir, and John Howell

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including:** Archbishop Andrew Joseph McDonald, Brendan Boyle and Margaret Mcpake.

**St. John’s:** Fiona Mcleod Rae, Harry McKenna, Alice Holligan (1929), Frank Gaffney, John Birrell (2000), Dorothy Flynn (1988), Mary Foley (1992), Maureen Leitch (2009), Jane Clarke (1957), Charles McLauchlan Sen (1969), Maureen Ann McIlroy (2003), Sarah Black (1990), John Gallagher (1981), Jane Sweeney, Catherine McCann (2001), Sarah Christie (2013), Wilhemina Baxter (1974), Elizabeth Birnie (1943), Mary-Ann Donoghue (1980), and Margaret Power (1999).

**St. Mary Magdalene’s:** John Spence (1995), Alister Gilmour (1996), Ellen Keenan (1983), Joseph Robertson (1998), Bridget Dowie (1968), Margaret Hanlon (1994), William McPhillips (1998), Martin Gaughan (1998), Thomas Murphy (1968), Samuel Tosney (1999), Patrick Walker (1991), Dorothy McEwan (2005), Joseph Flynn (1974), Ian Graham (2003), Catherine Tough (1970), Donna Marie Gordon (1975), Frank Finnegan (1967), Patrick McGuinness (1971), Fraser Richard Morrison (1993), Mary Pelosi (1992), Mary Hunter (1967), John Laughlin (2000), Michael Rooney (1994), James McGovern (1991), and Bridget Boyle (1995).

**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:** Sr Anne Doherty SND, Ena McCann, Mary Brockie, John Donnelly, Angela Khaleeli, Joan Young, Noel Flanagan, Catherine Leslie, Dymrna 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:** Catriona MacGillivray & John Kelly  
... and for next Sunday Robert Moyes & Laura Tweedie

**Bidding Prayers:** Peggy Ferguson  
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**St. John’s**

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK**

**VIGIL:** J Roarty, M Watson, O Brooks. **SUNDAY:** B Gallagher, K Dykes, M Iannarelli, P Maclellan Hawkes, P Glancy.  
... and finally, we have one unclaimed prize waiting in the parish office from St John’s Summer Fayre for Maureen Cotterell. The final total for this fundraiser and Martin Aelraed concert will be in next week’s newsletter.

## Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>10.00am Mass</b> SI - Thanksgiving <b>10.30am:</b> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>  <b>6.30pm Vigil Mass</b> People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b> SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	<b>9.30am Mass</b> Brendan Joseph Boyle	<b>11.15am Mass</b> Margaret McPake
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	<b>10.0am Mass</b>  <b>7pm to 8pm:</b> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10.00am Eucharistic Service</b>	<b>10.00am Mass</b> Simon Benson
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>Memorial of St Bede the Venerable</i>	<b>10.00am Eucharistic Service</b>	<b>6.15-7pm:</b> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>7pm Mass</b> Fiona Mcleod Rae
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>Memorial of St Philip Neri</i>	<b>10.00am Mass</b> Samuel Wills	
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>Memorial of St Augustine of Canterbury</i>	<b>9.15am to 10am:</b> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>10.00am Mass</b> Deceased members of the McGeady family <b>3pm to 4pm:</b> <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10.00am Mass</b> <b>10.30am:</b> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>  <b>6.30pm Vigil Mass</b> People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May</b> SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	<b>9.30am Mass</b> Canon John Gearty	<b>11.15am Mass</b> Fr Colman McGrath

### *Life is Stronger*

The danger for many today is to think that history is made without us, not with us. We often shrug our shoulders and say that we can't do anything about it. We forget that if we are together and give each other mutual support, we can witness to the strength of love and to the fact that life is stronger than death.

*(Jean Vanier: Letter, June 2006)*