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**27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - 2 October 2016**

Fr Jock leaves on a belated summer holiday after the Masses on Sunday ☺

Fr John Robinson will kindly cover for him on Monday and then on Tuesday. ...we warmly welcome Fr Loreto Tabone, here from Gozo for a fortnight.



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 or one of our welcomers and ask for details of how to register on the parishes' roll.

## **An Important Message from the Cluster Parishes of St Mary Magdalene's, Bingham, St Ninians, Restalrig, St Mary, Star of the Sea Leith, St John the Evangelist, Portobello, St Teresa's Craigmillar about the next Cluster Meeting:**

Siobhan Sellar and Laura Tweedie, our Pastoral Council Chairs, write:

'Following Archbishop Leo Cushley's visit in February, the second planning meeting for all five Cluster Parishes will be held at St Ninian's, Restalrig, on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016 with 10am Mass, followed by the meeting from 11am to 12.30pm. All parishioners in each cluster are warmly invited to attend the meeting, to listen and to contribute as constructively as possible. The meeting is being organised by the 'Cluster Group' comprising the Priests and Parish Council Chairs from the Cluster Parishes of St Mary Magdalene's, Bingham, St Ninian's, Restalrig, St Mary, Star of the Sea, Leith, St John the Evangelist, Portobello and St Teresa's, Craigmillar.'

The discussion point for the meeting is "A detailed examination of joint resources in the cluster". We would encourage all Parishioners to attend as this is your chance for your voice to be heard and participate in these important discussions on the future of our Parishes and Archdiocese.

From next weekend (8 and 9 October) a sign-up sheet will be available at the back of both Churches to help provide some indication to the organisers of the numbers attending from each Parish and to assist us in ensuring there is transport to St Ninian's, Restalrig, for those that require it.'

If you have any questions about the meeting or next stages then please let Fr Jock or Karen know.'

### **RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE – 6-27 November:**

An invitation to everybody by the ministers, pastors and priests of Portobello and Joppa Parish Church, St Mark's Episcopal Church, Duddingston Kirk, St Mary Magdalene's, Portobello Baptist Church and St John's to join them in an ecumenical retreat taking place during these three weeks in November and involving praying with scripture.

For more details see the leaflet enclosed with this newsletter - if you want to find out more and/or to sign up, contact Fr Jock or the retreat co-ordinator, Bernadette Campbell, 27 Cargil Terrace EH5 3NF or [bjcampbell512@gmail.com](mailto:bjcampbell512@gmail.com)

### **THIS WEEK**

**Sunday 2 October:**

**9.30am** - Mass with **Enrolment of P4 children** in the "Do This is Memory of Me programme".

**11.15am** : St Mary Magdalene - **Children's Mass with special focus on P3 Reconciliation Children**

**2-6pm** - St Patrick's, Cowgate – **ANNUAL VENERABLE MARGARET SINCLAIR PILGRIMAGE**

'The day will begin at 2pm with a Holy Hour followed by a performance of the highly recommended play,

**The Margaret Sinclair Story**, recently debuted at the Edinburgh Festival. Mass is at 4.30pm with Archbishop Cushley as principal celebrant. Please bring your own refreshments. All are very welcome.' (Fr Jock writes: 'I saw the play during the Festival and was very moved – it's superbly acted and brings alive Margaret Sinclair and her story in a vivid, poignant and evocative way – and it's fun!')

### **Monday 3 October:**

**10.30am** – St John's Hall - **Coffee Morning** – with proceeds going to Aid to the Church in Need. ☕  
**7pm** - Dominican Chaplaincy, George Square – **Dr Peter Hunter OP** - 'Science before Galileo? Early Dominican Physics'.

### **Wednesday 5 October:**

**Open Evening St Augustine's RC High School.** 'This is an opportunity to see the school - starting in the Theatre, with a talk from the Head Teacher **at 4pm** followed by a guided tour of the school. Parents and pupils will be able to see around the school and visit departments, speak to some teachers and be able to see some displays of work.'

### **Saturday, 8 October:**

**10.45am** – Parish House - **Lectio Divina Group** (Reflecting on – and praying with – the scripture readings of the following Sunday – All Welcome!)

## **IN THE COMING WEEKS**

**Wednesday 12 October - 2-4pm** - Gillis Centre - **Afternoon tea and raffle, in aid of Lifeline.** 'The cost is £5, booking is essential by ringing 623 8911. Come and enjoy home baking at its best and help Lifeline continue its valuable work'.

**Friday 28 October – 7pm – 10pm (ish)** – St John's Hall - **An evening of Fun and Laughter with Sheila Tansey** - in aid of the **St John's Thursday Club** - Tea/Coffee etc or BYOB Tickets £5'



**Saturday 29 October - 10am-12.30pm** - St Ninian's, 12 Marionville Drive, Restalring - **Cluster Planning Meeting 2**

**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'.

## **NOTICEBOARD**

**Living Faith Booklets** – with reflections for each between **1 October and 31 December.** The latest edition of these booklets is available at the back of the church. **They are free...but a donation of £1 helps us to cover our costs! #NB Eucharistic Ministers**, please take one for "your" housebound parishioner

### **A Request From the Justice and Peace Group:**

**Jim Roarty writes:** 'Our two parishes have been supporting **the food parcel service at St Teresa's** for some time - and many thanks to all who have contributed - but now the cupboard is getting bare. Can you help with donations of tinned meals (eg macaroni, spaghetti etc), tinned fish & meat, soup, packets of instant noodles, pasta snacks and savoury rice etc, cartons of UHT milk, tea bags, please. There is a box at the back of the church (St John's) or in the foyer (St Mary Magdalene's)'.

**A Challenge For the Final 2 Months of The Year of Mercy:** – take away, listen and respond to a talk on CD by **Dr Scott Hahn** – 'The Healing Power of Confession' – copies available at the back of both Churches.

NB The CD's can either be borrowed and returned – or bought for £2, with proceeds going to Sr Margaret Mary's Pastoral Centre in Rwanda (with many thanks to the donor who has made this possible).

## **PARISH REGISTER**

*Please pray for those who have died recently: Jimmy Maughan, Peter Cresswell*

*Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including:* Lindsay Thomson, Bridie Hanley

**St John's:** **Oct.1** :- Mary O'Brien (1943); John Creamer; Thomas O'Neill; **Oct.2** :- Anthony Iannarelli (2011); Helena Hapke (2004); Pauline Tracy (1995); Elizabeth Calder (1990); Mrs Reid (1976); Sarah Stone (1944); **Oct.3** :- Gladys Patterson (2011); George C Handren (2003); Theresa Thomson (2000); Louise Cunningham-Graham (1995); Infant Nicora (1923); **Oct.4** :- Andrew Callachan (2015); Peter Carr (2001); Gerard Watters (1995); George Calder (1988); John Coyne (1988); Michael Murphy (1955); Margaret Crawford; **Oct.5** :- Margaret A Wilson (2005); Lindsay Thomson (2003); Jerry Kinane (1994); Leonard Stovin; **Oct.6** :- Mary Laurie (2007); Minnie McMullan (1984); Vincenza Leone (1982); Joan Cullen ; Mark Cunningham; **Oct.7** :- David Brown (2007); Catherine Lamara (2004); Thomas Sharp (1989); John Loftus (1929);

**St. Mary Magdalene's:** **Oct.1** :- John Creamer (1969); **Oct.3** :- James Healy (1993);

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

***Sick Parishioners - St. John's:*** Helen Harrison, Patricia Crawford, Giulio 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 Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Fay Dignan, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Pat Kershaw, Michael & Maimie Richards, Joan Howie, Cathy McGravie, Jane Murray, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Malachy Meehan, Ann Ward, Gerry Houston, and Lorraine Syme.

***Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's:*** Chris English, Yrena Bruce, Julie Keegan, Rose McKay, Denis Davidson, Laurie Wallace, Elizabeth Mackail, Betty McEwing, Annie Watson, Isobel Phillips, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Tony Matrundola,, Jude Ferguson, Mary & James Muir,

***Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including:***

Tina Stevenson, George Collins, Cathie Hogg, Margaret Robb, Alan Dougal, Sr Anne Doherty SND, Ena McCann, John Donnelly, Angela Khaleeli, Joan Young, Noel Flanagan, Catherine Leslie, Dympna 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, Rupert Ridge and Lesley Lemarchand.

## ST MARY MAGDALENE

**Readers for this  
Sunday  
.... and for next  
Sunday**

Children

Anne Jabir and John Cunningham

**Bidding Prayers**

Children

Kate Neilson

**200 Club -**

Congratulations ☺ – The 200 Club winner for September is Madge Moyes with No. 49 and she wins £25.00



## ST JOHN'S

**Vigil** P MacInnes, B Kelly, M Reilly

**Sunday** E Buckley, P Connarty, C Dempsey,  
G Gallagher, M Slight

**Welcome to the world.....Emilia Gabriella Blackley**, born 22 September, a first child for Lauren and Joshua Blackley, a first granddaughter for Mairi, and Patrick, and a first great granddaughter for Pauline and Alex McInnes.



**Maria Igoe writes:** "The September Charity Coffee Morning in aid of Mary's Meals raised £200 due to the generosity of those who donated. The next Coffee Morning will be this Monday, 3rd October, in the Hall after Mass and donations will be given to Aid to the Church in Need. Please come along."



**Thank you....Frances McDevitt writes:** 'Thank you so very much to fellow parishioners for their wonderful generosity, sponsoring my recent Culture Crawl Walk for Maggie's Centre. Their contributions helped enormously to boost my current total to almost £500 (before Gift Aid is added).'

**CD's for the Housebound:**

**Keith Young writes:** "The audio recording of last Sunday's Mass (25/09) is available from this Saturday (01/10) in the Sacristy as a 'trial disc' for Eucharistic Ministers (EMs) to give, over the next week or so, to the sick / housebound parishioners they take Communion to. To ensure there are enough CDs for everyone involved, please take only one CD for each sick / housebound person. EMs are then asked to follow up with the people they visit if they would like to receive an audio recording of the Mass on a regular weekly basis. If there is a desire to receive the CD, please can EMs complete the sheet in the Sacristy by adding the name of the person(s) they visit. The sheet will be removed from the Sacristy on 23/10, and will be used as the basis for moving forward with this new initiative. In the meantime, any questions, e-mail Keith Young via the Parish Office. Please note that the CD can be played in both CD and DVD players."

### Offertory Collections for 24 and 25 September

**ST MARY MAGDALENE**

£320.91 (inc £160.50 gift aid)

**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST**

£871 (inc £315.98 gift aid)

Many thanks

<b>Masses, Devotions and Services</b>		
	<b>St John the Evangelist</b>	<b>St Mary Magdalene</b>
<b>Saturday 1 October</b> Memorial of St Teresa of the Child Jesus	<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 2 October</b> <b>27th Sunday of the Year</b>	<b>9.30am: Mass:</b> George, Kitty and Andy Calder	<b>11.15am Mass</b> - Special Intention
<b>Monday 3 October</b>	<b>10am: Mass</b> - Alec Harper  <b>7pm – 8pm</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
<b>Tuesday 4 October</b> Memorial of St Francis of Assisi	<b>10am: Eucharistic Service</b>	<b>6.25-55:</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  <b>7pm Mass</b> - June Anderson
<b>Wednesday 5 October</b>	<b>10am: Mass</b> - SI – sick person	
<b>Thursday 6 October</b>	<b>10am: Mass</b> - Anne McGeachie	
<b>Friday, 7 October</b> Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary	9.25-55: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>10.00am Mass</b> - Jimmy Gallagher  3-4pm: Divine Mercy	
<b>Saturday, 8 October</b>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> Helen Graham <b>10.30am:</b> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>  <b>6.30pm Vigil Mass:</b> People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday 9 October</b> <b>28th Sunday of the Year</b>	<b>9.30 am Mass:</b> Bridie Hanley	<b>11.15am Mass:</b>

Nourishment for Others ‘When we feel loved and appreciated for who we are, when we feel trusted and loved, we are nourished in the depths of our hearts. And to be nourished by the love of others is a call to become a nourishment for those who suffer and are alone in distress. We should not be afraid of loving people and telling them that we love them. This is the greatest nourishment of all’.

*Jean Vanier, Community and Growth, p.184*

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