

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



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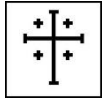
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*Fifth Sunday of Easter— 14 May 2017*

## 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.

## SAVING THE PLANET AND PRECIOUS PENNIES - WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE YOUR NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL?

Do you use e-mail? If you do we wondered if you would consider receiving your weekly newsletter by e-mail. Your newsletter would be e-mailed each Friday. Using e-mail would let us reduce the amount of paper and ink we use and save 'wear and tear' of the photocopiers. If you would be happy to get your newsletter e-mailed then please send an e-mail to Karen our Parish Administrator at [stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com). The newsletter is also available online via our parish websites.

This Sunday, **14 May**, we welcome **Fr Jim Crampsey of Lauriston** who will kindly be celebrating the Sunday morning Masses at both St John's and St Mary Magdalene's while **Fr Jock preaches at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church**. Next Sunday - 21 May - **Revd Dr Stewart Weaver**, the minister of PJPC will be addressing us at all three Masses, and will be joined by his associate minister, **Revd Lourens de Jager**, at the Vigil Mass. **Please pray for the fruitfulness of this sign of our very close links with the other local churches.**

**A CLUSTER PICNIC AT NUNRAW CISTERCIAN ABBEY NEXT SUNDAY - 21 MAY- between 1 and 5pm – A new Initiative four 5 Cluster Parishes (St Mary Magdalene's, St John's, St Teresa's, Craigmiller,, St Ninian's, Restalrig and St Mary, Star of the Sea, Leith.) - Catherine Mcanenny, Anne Jabir and Jennifer Morris write: 'Everyone is invited to join the picnic,...Tea and coffee are provided by the monks for a donation but bring along your own food. (There is a barbecue you can use if you want hot food.) There will be field games we can all play but feel free to bring anything you think would add to the activities. We hope the sun will shine but there is a tearoom indoors we can use. During the afternoon there will be an opportunity to gather in church for prayer with one of the monks and also learn a little about Nunraw. **If you can offer transport or need transport please provide your name and contact details on the sheets at the back of the churches after mass on Sunday or let Catherine McAnenny on 07968970159 know if you're interested in going and need a lift organised. Children also particularly welcome to go.'****

## CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14 – 20 May 2017.

**Christian Aid Week / Feast of Life Service, Sunday 14th May.** An Ecumenical Service and Concert to mark the launch of Christian Aid Week in Portobello will be held in St Mark's Church on Sunday 14th May at 7.30pm. There will be a collection in support of Christian Aid Week.

Please come along and support the work of Christian aid to alleviate poverty and hardship in the world today. Refreshments will be served after the Service. 'Come along and hear the Feast of Life Choir sing 4 songs, including the 'sizzling' 'Rhythm of Life', and hear the PJPC Breakfast Club perform 'Mamma Mia' and 'I wanna be like you/bare necessities'. Sing 'Christ be our light' and 'I, the Lord of sea and sky. Great stuff!'



**Please continue to remember in your prayers the 44 strong pilgrimage group in Medjugorje.**

**Afternoon Tea (or cake and cava) in aid of a Project in Malawi – the STEKA Centre for Vocational Skills and Community Enterprise - this Saturday, 20 May, between 2pm and 4pm at 1 Dalkeith Street, EH15 2HP**

**Sandra Ndalex from Malawi** is currently living with a local family, studying in Edinburgh for a year. She has become a member of St John's Music Group. **Sandra writes:** 'Come and enjoy Afternoon tea (or cake & cava) and be entertained by our buskers Strumash. All we ask in return is a small donation to help build a vocational skills centre to secure sustainable futures for vulnerable children in Malawi. Invite your friends, come and enjoy a treat and support this great charity. Portobello has already raised money to help buy the land for a STEKA Centre for Vocational Skills and Community Enterprise – We now want to enable building to start. Plans include workshops to teach life-changing skills such as tailoring, upholstery, hairdressing, carpentry, parenting skills and more. Find out more at: <https://supportsteka.wordpress.com>'

## **THIS WEEK**

**14-20 May – Christian Aid Week**

**Sunday 14 May – 7.30pm – St Mark's Church – Ecumenical Service and Concert to mark the launch of Christian Aid Week in Portobello**

**Wednesday 17 (and 24) May – 7.30pm - Parish House – Baptism Preparation Course**

7.30pm - **Mayfield Salisbury Church, 18 West Mayfield, Edinburgh EH91QT** - Newman Association 75th Anniversary Lecture - The Edinburgh Circle celebrates 75 years of the Newman Association with a special lecture by **Sir James MacMillan**. - "Music, Modernity, the continual search for the Sacred, and the place that Elgar's Dream of Gerontius has in it".

**Thursday 18 May – 7pm (doors open 6.30pm) – Gillis Centre – The Annual Gillis Lecture – Stephen Callaghan on “Faith and the Arts”.**

'A graduate of Glasgow University with Joint Honours in Theatre, Film & Television Studies and a Licentiate and Associated Diplomas in Speech and Drama Teaching from London College of Music and Media, Stephen set up the Archdiocese of Glasgow Arts Project (AGAP) in 2006 which organises the Catholic Arts Festivals Lentfest and Arts in Autumn as well as faith-based arts events and activities. **His play, ‘The Margaret Sinclair Story’, commissioned by the Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh premiered at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in 2016.** Refreshments will be served after the Lecture. R.S.V.P to The Secretary, HAC, 44 Park Street, Lochgelly, Fife, KY5 9JU or email [ogormley46@gmail.com](mailto:ogormley46@gmail.com)'

## **IN THE COMING WEEKS**

**Sunday 21 May – 1-5pm – Cluster Picnic at Nunraw**

**Sunday 28 May – Carfin Grotto, Motherwell - Legion of Mary Thanksgiving Day  
Edinburgh Inter-Faith Association (EIFA) Peace Walk**

'The walk will commence from **St Mary's Cathedral, York Place, at 2pm** (assemble from 1.45pm) and will proceed to the **Baha'i Centre, Assembly Hall / New College** (which will serve as an intermediate stop around 2.45pm, for anyone who wishes to join there), **St Columba's by the Castle, Edinburgh Central Mosque, Orthodox Community of St Andrew** and ending at the **Synagogue in Salisbury Road** where we will hold an Interfaith Peace Service and meal starting approximately 4:15pm. In recognition of the bicentenary, we will be ending our walk at **Salisbury Road Synagogue Community Centre** where **Edinburgh Hebrew Congregation** and **Edinburgh Liberal Jewish Community** will jointly host a short Peace Service followed by a reception on behalf of the Jewish community of Edinburgh. This is an opportunity to walk together, get to know each other and *some of the different faith communities and cultures* that make up our city. We will pause outside each place of worship for a brief synopsis on the building location and its history. This family-friendly event is **open to all** and if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.'

**Sunday 4 June – 7pm – St John's Hall - Get-together for the Participants in the November 2016 Retreat in Daily Life – a chance to reflect together on the experience six months on...**

**Sunday 11 June – St Margaret Pilgrimage, Dunfermline (More details next week)**

**Wednesday 14 June - St John's - Piano Recital** – A concert in St John's with Father Elephtherios Koumasidis from Agistri, Greece, with the school choir of St Mary's Leith. Put the date in your diary – more details to follow



**3-7 July** – Madras College, Kilrymont Road, St Andrews, - **New Dawn in Scotland Catholic Pilgrimage Conference** with Annual Rosary Procession and Open Air Mass – see noticeboard for further details.

**Monday 24-Friday 29 July – 9am-12.45pm - Portobello and Joppa Parish Church and St Mark's - Guardians of Ancora - Portobello Ecumenical Holiday Club 2017**

You can send Michelle Brown a provincial booking reservation at [portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com](mailto:portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com)

**Our parishes' representative for the Holiday Club is Lynda Kazimoglu. For more information, email her on [lkazimoglu@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:lkazimoglu@yahoo.co.uk)**

**Michelle Brown writes:** 'This summer, our Portobello Holiday Club is running for the third year, with six area churches working together again in partnership with Scripture Union Scotland. From 24 to 28 July from 9am to 12.45pm, the halls at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church and at St Marks Scottish Episcopal Church will be full of children and volunteers exploring the 'Guardians of Ancora – Treasure Seekers'. We will be welcoming in school-aged children each morning of the week to take part in arts and crafts, games, music, drama, gardening, baking, Bible study, worship, snack and many surprises throughout the week. There will also be a creche and nursery group available for volunteers' children. We hope your family will join us! Registration information and flyers are being sent out to the local schools and churches this month. We are also now **recruiting volunteers** to help with all aspects of the holiday club. If you can give a full week in July to this ministry, or even if you can only give a day or two, we'd love your help. We're looking for help with games, arts and crafts, baking, music, drama, AV technology, snacks, creche care, administration, small group leaders, and much more. If you are interested in helping with our ecumenical holiday club or if you know any secondary students who might be interested in volunteering as Junior Helpers, then please speak with Michelle Brown on any Sunday after church or email her at [portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com](mailto:portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com). We would love to have as many helpers as possible.'

**SPUC Pro-Life Scotland has a General Election Pack available on request** which can be obtained by phoning 0141 221 2094 or emailing [election2017@spucscotland.org](mailto:election2017@spucscotland.org)

## **NOTICEBOARD**

**An Invitation to the Participants of the November 2016 Retreat in Daily Life to meet on Pentecost Sunday to reflect together on the experience six months - and to look at possible future initiatives...7pm on Sunday 4 June in St John's Hall.**

**Fr Jock will be away midweek in Northumberland on his annual time away with his Priests' Support Group** (The 'J's' – Jeremy, James, Jock, G(J?)erry and Philip Joseph...!) for relaxation, prayer, reflection, exercise and mutual encouragement. They meet every six weeks for 24 hours, and have this time together away in May. **Canon Andrew Monaghan will kindly be covering for him.**

**After a successful trial period, St John's Church will continue to remain open each day from 9.30am-7pm** (nb new time) - for quiet time and prayer...for parishioners of both parishes but also for passers-by and anyone who would like to pop in. **If anybody is willing to go on the closing up rota (once a fortnight), please contact Chris Vinestock or Fr Jock (669 5447) – we are still searching for two or three more.**

## **Holy Rood RC High News:**

**Jean Daly writes:** 'Here is this week's update of recent events/news from Holy Rood, your Cluster Secondary School.

- Teachers and S2 pupils helped out at **St Ninian's Careers Fair**. The P7s really enjoyed the session with the S2 Holy Rood pupils learning about My World of Work. We are delighted that the morning was a great success and look forward to welcoming St Ninian's and all our cluster pupils for the 3 day P7 visit in June.
- Our Cluster Primary School pupils participated in a **P6 Health and Wellbeing Session** which also included a focus on Literacy, Numeracy and Modern Languages. It was a fantastic opportunity for our future pupils to meet each other and compete together in a fun environment on a beautiful sunny day. Well done to all! We look forward to welcoming this group back up to Holy Rood in September for a Business in the Community event and to the many other planned events throughout the year all of which ensures a smooth transition for these pupils to Holy Rood.
- Four of our S6 pupils graduated from the '**Career Ready**' programme at a prestigious Awards Ceremony in Perth. This 2 year programme allows pupils to embrace the world of work confidently through mentoring and the completion of a 4 week paid internship with a major employer. We are extremely proud of their achievements and wish them every success in the future.
- The **SQA exams** are ongoing, please support these pupils by remembering them in your prayers.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/film-as-art-art-on-film-myself-tickets-33239563429> '

*Please use the link to have a look at our website <http://www.holyroodrchighschool.co.uk> and follow us on twitter @HolyRoodRCHigh'*

## **PARISH REGISTER**

*Please pray for those who have died recently: Mgr Eugene Harley, Phyllis McKenzie*

*Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Brendan Boyle, Cillian Dempsey, James Paterson, Christine Pugh, Gordon Campbell.*

### **St John's :**

May 13:- John Bonar (2005); Sr.Marie McAllister (2001); Rena Tow (1992); Edward Black Sen. (1985); May 14:- Cecelia McKenzie (2009); John Gordon Kerr (1994); Sr.Mary Tait (1994); James Waugh (1979); Ann (McCann) Murphy (1956); May 15:- James Kelly (2004); John O'Brien (1954); May 16:- John Rooney (1984); Vincent Rowley (1981); Sarah Taylor (1981); Mary Anne McGrory (1947); Philip Haslett; May 17:- Christine Pugh (2013); Killian Dempsey (2005); Mary (Thomson) Macnamara (1996); Joseph Passmore (1963); May 18:- Julia Young (1984); May 19:- John Cook (2003); Catherine Cunningham (2003); Zelinda Tesoro (1992); Elizabeth Bryce (1986);

### **St. Mary Magdalene's :**

May 16:- Ian Graham (2003); Joseph Flynn (1974); Catherine Tough (1970); May 17:- Donna Marie Gordon (1975); May 19:- Patrick McGuinness (1971); Frank Finnegan (1967);

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

**Sick Parishioners - St. John's:** Bill Hunter, Pat Hunter, David Thom snr, Rose Thornton, Patricia Davies, Anna Butler, Mary Phillips, Josie Martin, Joan Howie, Gerry Wynne, James Sangster, Mary Glancy, Patricia Crawford, Guilio Crolla, Bob Crabbe, Mary Phair, Alf Macnamara, Patrick McCafferty, Tricia Davies, Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, John Cregan, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Grady, Jane McGuire, Kathy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Michael & Maimie Richards, Cathy McGravie., Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Ann Ward, Gerry Houston, and Lorraine Syme.

**Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's:** Charles Malcolm, Ella Ayers, Pat Marin, Margaret Ryan, Jacqueline Hannan, Chris English, Julie Keegan, Rose McKay, Denis Davidson, Laurie Wallace, Elizabeth Mackail, Betty McEwing, Annie Watson, Isobel Phillips, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Jude Ferguson, Mary & James Muir.

***Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including:*** Phylis Sutherland; Mary Turnbull, Gordon Campbell, Sr May Lewis, Thomas Welsh, Stuart Falconer, Jonty Savage, Julia Jared, Anne-Marie Bevan, Ellen Green, Mario Chianto, Caroline Narrie, Kathleen McConnell, Jake Jorden (aged 17) Marguerite Marlatt, Poppy Smith (aged 6), George Collins, Margaret Robb, Sr Anne Doherty SND, Ena McCann, John Donnelly, Noel Flanagan, Catherine Leslie, Austen Tod, Peter Kent, Isabel Bolus, John Allan, Isabel McInrue, Anne Gallagher, Denise O'Donnell, Jane Morton, Christopher Browne, Marie Crolla, Margaret Rose, Vera Hawkes, Conor Kerrigan, Maria St. Denis, baby Ray Donovan Syme.

<b>Offertory Collections for 7 May</b>	<b>ST MARY MAGDALENE</b>	<b>ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST</b>
	£242.59 (inc £98.50 gift aid)	£936.65 (inc £373.40 gift aid)
Ecclesiastical Students Fund	£158.77	£427.57
<b><i>Thank you for your generosity</i></b>		

## **ST MARY MAGDALENE**

### **Readers for Sunday**

14 May John Kelly & Catrina McGillivray  
21 May

### **Bidding Prayers**

Peggy Ferguson  
Jim Gallagher

**If you have any SCIAF boxes at home, it would be appreciated if you could return them as soon as possible.'**

**Sunday, 28 May is World Communications Day** when there will be a second collection.

## **ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST**

**Vigil 20 May** G Sellar, V Knowles, M Mackenzie     **Sunday 21 May** E Clark, M Iannarelli, P Glancy  
P MacLellan Hawkes, , C Volpe

**We are looking for new readers at the Vigil Mass and the 9.30am Sunday morning Masses.** Please Contact Siobhan Sellar (Vigil) or David Connarty (9.30) – or Fr Jock – if you are open to serving the community in this way...

**Maria Igoe** writes:

**'The Legion of Mary Thanksgiving Day will take place at Carfin Grotto, Motherwell, on Sunday 28 May.** We will leave St John's at 12 noon and return by 7pm. If you wish to go, please contact me - 669 0247.'

<b>Masses, Devotions and Services</b>		
	<b>St John the Evangelist</b>	<b>St Mary Magdalene</b>
<b>Saturday 13 May</b>	<b>10am:- Mass</b> – Fraser McGill <b>10.30am</b> – Sacrament of Reconciliation  <b>6.30pm:- Mass</b> – Violet Paterson	
<b>Sunday 14 May</b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF</b> <b>EASTER</b>	<b>9.30am:- Mass</b> – Patricia Boyle	<b>11.15am: Mass</b> - Albert Bruce
<b>Monday 15 May</b>	<b>10.00am:- Mass</b> – Christine Pugh  <b>7pm – 8pm</b> - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
<b>Tuesday 16 May</b>	<b>10.00am:- Eucharistic Service</b>	<b>9.25-55am:-</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>10.00am:- Mass</b> – Deceased members of the Gorman family
<b>Wednesday 17 May</b>	<b>10.00am:- Mass</b> – Cillian Dempsey	
<b>Thursday 18 May</b>	<b>10.00am: - Eucharistic Service</b>	<b>10.00am:- Mass</b> - James Scott
<b>Friday 19 May</b>	<b>9.25-55am: -</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>10am:- Mass</b> – Ina McNama	
<b>Saturday 20 May</b>	<b>10am:- Mass</b> – Mgr Eugene Harley <b>10.30am</b> – Sacrament of Reconciliation  <b>6.30pm:- Mass</b> – People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday 21 May</b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF</b> <b>EASTER</b>	<b>9.30am:- Mass</b> – Brendan Boyle	<b>11.15am: Mass</b> – Fay Dignan

### **The Gift of our Physical Selves**

‘We have to remember that we have a body which has its own laws, and that the physical has its effect on the spiritual. We have to respect our body and its needs, and care for it even more than a craftsman cares for his tools. Our body is more important than a tool. It is an integral part of our being, of our self.’ *Jean Varnier, Community & Growth p 255*

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