

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE



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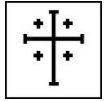
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Fourth Sunday of Easter – 7 May 2017

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.



This Sunday is 'Good Shepherd Sunday' – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Please do pray for those discerning possible vocations in these areas., and for those already in formation. There is a special collection for the Ecclesiastical Students' Fund, and a publication – 'Following the Shepherd' from Priests for Scotland available at the back of both Churches.

Warm wishes and the promise of prayer go with the 44 pilgrims – including 11 St John's parishioners and three priests – who set off on pilgrimage to Medjugorje in Bosnia-Herzegovina on Tuesday 9 May. They have kindly promised to remember the parishioners of St John's and St Mary Magdalene's in their prayers.

Next Sunday, **14 May.** **Fr Jim Crampsey of Lauriston** 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.** The following Sunday - 21 May - **Revd Dr Stewart Weaver, the minister of PJPC will be preaching at all three Masses.** Please pray for the fruitfulness of this sign of our very close links with the other local churches.

A NEW INITIATIVE FOR OUR 5 CLUSTER PARISHES (St Mary Magdalene's, St John's, St Teresa's, Craigmiller,, St Niniian's, Restalrig and St Mary, Star of the Sea, Leith.)

A Cluster PICNIC at Nunraw Cistercian Abbey on SUNDAY 21 MAY between 1 and 5pm –

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 chapels 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.'

THIS WEEK

Sunday 7 May

9.30am – St John's – **Mass with baptism of Destiny Gallagher**

7pm – St John's Hall – **St John's Open Parish Meeting.**

7.30pm – St Martin's, Magdalene Drive – **PACT Meeting.**

Monday 8 May

10.45am - St John's Hall – **Charity Coffee Morning**

7.30pm – St Joseph's, Gilmour Place – **Mass for Vocations, celebrated by Fr Jock.**

Tuesday 9 May – 11am – Parish House – Pastoral Team Meeting.

Saturday 13 May 10.45am - Parish House – Lectio Divina Group – All Welcome

IN THE COMING WEEKS

14-20 May – Christian Aid Week

Sunday 14 May – 7.30pm – St Mark’s Church – Ecumenical Service 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 Gillis Lecture – A Talk by 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’

Saturday, 20 May – 2pm-4pm - 1 Dalkeith Street, EH15 2HP – Afternoon tea (or cake and cava) in aid of a project in Malawi – the STEKA Centre for Vocational Skills and Community Enterprise. .

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>’

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

Sunday 28 May – Carfin Grotto, Motherwell - Legion of Mary Thanksgiving Day

Sunday 11 June – St Margaret Pilgrimage, Dunfermline (see noticeboard for further details)

NOTICEBOARD

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).

Guardians of Ancora - Portobello Ecumenical Holiday Club 2017 – 24-8 July

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*’ summer holiday club material from Scripture Union. 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 will be sent out to the local schools and churches in this month, but for now – save the dates!** You can also send Michelle Brown a provincial booking reservation at

portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com

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. We would love to have as many helpers as possible as the more volunteers we have, the more families we can welcome to take part.'

Our parishes' representative for the Holiday Club is Lynda Kazimoglu. For more information, email her on lkazimoglu@yahoo.co.uk

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14 – 20 May 2017.

Christian Aid Week / Feast of Life Service, Sunday 14th May. An ecumenical service to mark the launch of Christian 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. **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 or 657 3805) as soon as possible for further details. Donation envelopes will also be available at the back of both churches.**



Commemorating the end of World War 1

Des Brogan writes: 'In December 2014 a tour was arranged to coincide with the remarkable truce that occurred in the trenches at Christmas 1914. To mark the end of World War 1 another tour is being organised to commemorate the signing of the Peace Treaty near Paris. This will take place from 19th – 24th November 2018 and will visit Mons where the first and last shots of the war were fired. There will also be a visit to Wilfrid Owen's grave and a ceremony will be held at Compiègne, where the Armistice was signed on 11 November 1918. The tour will also include a visit to the Palace of Versailles where the actual Peace Treaty was signed in June 1919. If you are interested in joining this tour please contact me on 0131 661 9191.'

Holy Rood RC High News:

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

- The SQA exams started this week on Tuesday 2nd May, please continue to remember these pupils in your prayers. We wish all our pupils well in their exams.
- Sarah Clark 2014 Commonwealth Champion 3 x Team GB Olympian visited Holy Rood to talk about her story, mental resilience and do some judo sessions with our pupils. An inspirational visit.
 - A group of S3 pupils completed their Duke of Edinburgh expedition to gain their bronze award. Well done to all involved! <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 whose anniversaries occur at this time: **John Rennie, Martin Gaughan, Barbara Blackburn, Ian Gorman***

St John's: May 6:- David M Metcalfe (2006); Theresa Henderson (1995); Edward Hanlon; May 7:- Lorna Demarco (1971); James H McGrory (1957); Mary Macnamara; Bridget Murray; May 8:- John Rennie (2011); Jim Ponton (1986); John Kane (1949); Mary Taylor; May 9:- Rosanna O'Neill (1970); Bruno Nicora (1932); May 10:- Michael McGovern (2004); William Cunningham (1984); May 11:- Veronica Ginnelly (2001); May 12:- Ian J Berry (2013); Helen McGuire (1991); Kathleen Ogilvie (1970); Ninian Connolly;

St. Mary Magdalene's : May 6:- Bridget Dowie (1968); May 7:- William McPhillips (1998); Margaret Hanlon (1994); May 8:- Martin Gaughan (1998); Thomas Murphy (1968); May 10:- Samuel Tosney (1999); Patrick Walker (1991); May 12:- Dorothy McEwan (2005);

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

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Rose Thornton, Patricia Davies, Anna Butler, David Igoe (snr), Bill Hunter, Pat Hunter, 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, David Thom, 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: 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.

Offertory Collections for 30 April	ST MARY MAGDALENE	ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
	£303.66 (inc £159.27 gift aid)	£2806.20 (inc £2149.44 gift aid)
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>		

ST MARY MAGDALENE

Readers for Sunday

7 May Anne Jabir & Willie Montgomery
 14 May John Kelly & Catrina MacGillivray

Bidding Prayers

Jean Douglas
 Peggy Ferguson

Jean Douglas writes: 'Parish Rotas (from 21 May – 3 September) are now available for collection.'



Congratulations ☺ – The **200 Club** winner – no. 159 – is Sam Henry who receives £25.00



Chris Vinestock writes: 'A great big thank you to all the volunteers involved for their tremendous help in counting all the pennies from the SCIAF boxes. The grand total reached to date is an amazing amount of £2138.31. **If you have any SCIAF boxes at home, it would be appreciated if you could return them as soon as possible.**'

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you!

Jim Roarty writes: "A message from SCIAF: East Africa Food Crisis. Thank you for your generosity - so far, over £20,000 has been raised. This is the worst humanitarian crisis since 1945 and will only get worse over the coming months so please continue to help us with your prayers and support as we strive to provide food and clean water for the people in this troubled region."

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Vigil 13 May P Macinnes, B Kelly, J Kemp **Sunday 14 May** E White, P Connarty, C Dempsey, G Gallagher, M Slight

The family of Ina McNama would like to thank all who attended the Requiem Mass to celebrate Ina's life and for all Mass cards and messages of sympathy.

John's Open Parish Meeting Needs YOU!

Frances McDevitt writes: 'St John's next Open Parish Meeting is this Sunday (07 May 2017) at 7pm in the church hall. All parishioners are very warmly invited to this important meeting, one of two in the year. Our meeting last November was wonderfully well attended and it is hoped that this meeting will be equally well supported. Your questions, ideas, comments and opinions are vital if our Parish Pastoral Council is to be relevant and responsive. Please try to come along - you will be most welcome!'

Maria Igoe writes:

'The Charity Coffee Morning will be this Monday - 8 May - after 10m mass and donations will be shared between the Apostleship of the Sea and Lifeboats. The April Coffee Morning raised £300 for 'Let the Children Live'. Thank you for your generosity.....and 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.'

Masses, Devotions and Services		
	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 6 May	10am:- Eucharistic Service 6.30pm:- Mass – People of the Parish	10am:- Mass – Eileen Lusher 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sunday 7 May FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.30am:- Mass: SI - reception	11.15am: - Ian Gorman
Monday 8 May	10.00am:- Mass – Jimmy Igoe 7pm – 8pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tuesday 9 May	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	6.25-55pm:- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.00pm:- Mass – John Rennie
Wednesday 10 May	9.45am:- Mass – Ina McNama (NB Time)	
Thursday 11 May	10.00am: - Eucharistic Service	9.25-55am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass - SI
Friday 12 May	9.25-55am: - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10am:- Mass – Barbara Blackburn	
Saturday 13 May	10am:- Mass – Fraser McGill 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – People of the Parish	
Sunday 14 May FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.30am:- Mass – Patricia Boyle	11.15am: Mass - Albert Bruce

An Orchestra - *'A community is like an orchestra: each instrument is beautiful when it plays alone, but when they all play together, each given its own weight in turn, the result is evening more beautiful. A community is like a garden full of flowers, shrubs and trees. Each helps to give life to the others.'* Jean Vanier, Community and Growth, p. 251

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