

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

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*27th Sunday of the Year – 8 October 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.



**A Fond Farewell, with our gratitude and prayers to Fr Loreto Tabone**, who leaves us on Friday – the day after Fr Jock's return – for Broxburn, another of his former parishes, where he will be supplying for another ten days.



## A REQUEST FOR PRAYER PARTNERS FOR OUR FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN



**Arlene Lauder writes:** 'This year 31 children have enrolled on our 'Do This in Memory' Sacramental programme which will see the children make their First Holy Communion in June next year. We are currently looking for parishioners from both churches to become 'Prayer Partners' to our lovely young people. The children have already chosen one from their circle of family and friends. The parish plan to provide them with 2 more....(1 from our housebound parishioners and 1 from the remaining congregation). The commitment is simple but effective. We ask you to include the young person in your prayers and, if you wish, you can come to the DTIM masses which occur around once a month between now and next June (held jointly) between both churches. At all masses on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 October we will be taking the names of those who wish to become involved. Please take some time now to consider whether you might be willing to take up this service. Prayer partners are vital to the continued success of the programme. There will also a first opportunity to meet 'your' young person on Sunday 26 November (the Feast of Christ The King) in St John's Church hall after the 9.30am mass - why not join us for a cup of tea and a cake then. If you wish more information or would like to 'sign up' now, please call or text Arlene on 07950 880 833. Many thanks.'



## A New Initiative Seeking to Support our Parishioners with Learning Difficulties

**Jeremy Devlin-Thorp writes:** 'Father Jock has initiated a new project to focus on people in the two parishes with learning disabilities, to ensure that they feel fully involved and included in parish activities in ways that they want to. (Outreach to people with learning disabilities was one of the areas that was agreed as one the priorities for the coming months at a St John's Pastoral Council Planning Day earlier in the year.)

**A small group is being set up to look at how we might develop this and is meeting at 6.00pm in the Parish House THIS MONDAY 9 October.** If anybody would be interested in joining this group, please contact me on 07900 278043 or Catrina McGillvray on 07833 642667. We would be particularly interested in hearing from anybody who has experience in this area, from family circumstances or professional or voluntary work.'

**Fr Jock celebrates a significant birthday next Saturday, 14 October.** There will be **tea and coffee (and a cake)** in St Mary Magdalene's Hall after the 10am Mass there in the morning; and similarly in the evening in St John's Hall at 7.30pm after the Vigil Mass – all most welcome to either or both.

This will be followed by an **Open Evening** in the Hall and Parish House with music, food and drink to which, again, **EVERYONE** is **warmly** invited....come for the whole evening or just pop in for a few minutes!



## **THIS WEEK**

### **Monday 9 October**

10.30am (after morning Mass) – **Charity Coffee Morning** - Donations will be given to a Charity building houses for homeless families in Kenya. Please come along.

6pm – Parish House – **Meeting to explore ways to support our Parishioners with Learning Difficulties.**

7.30 pm - St. Joseph's House, 43 Gilmore Place, Edinburgh - Mass for Vocations – ‘Everyone is most welcome to join us in praying for this special intention.’

**Friday 13 October** 10.45am – Parish House – **Lectio Divina – Praying the Gospel** All Welcome.

### **Saturday 14 October**

**10.30am** – St Mary Magdalene’s Hall – **Tea and Coffee and Birthday Cake**

**7.30pm** – St John’s Hall – **Tea and Coffee and Birthday Cake**

**7.45pm** – Parish House and St John’s Hall – **Open Evening with Good Food, Drink and Music – All Most Welcome.**

**Sunday 15 October** - leaving St John's at 1pm - **Trip to Nunraw** - If you wish to go, please contact Maria Igoe 669 0247.

## **IN THE COMING WEEKS**

**Monday 16 October** – 12.45pm – St Mary’s Cathedral – **Month’s Mind Mass for Fr Basil Postlethwaite**

**Saturday 28 October** – 7.45pm (after Evening Mass) – St John’s Hall - **Party to launch and celebrate the publication of 94 year old St John’s parishioner Elizabeth Elton’s autobiography – ALL WELCOME.**

### **Friday 3 November**

7.30pm – Jewel Miners Club – **Joint Parish Ceilidh – Tickets now on sale...**

7.30pm – Sacred Heart Church Main Hall, 28 Lauriston Street EH3 9DJ – **Play by RISE Theatre - Romero: Heartbeat of El Salvador.**

**Monday 4 December** - 6pm — Holy Rood High School - **Carols and Crafts Christmas Fair.**

## **NOTICEBOARD**

**Romero: Heartbeat of El Salvador** A play by RISE Theatre, in association with the Romero Trust, looking at the life and legacy of a man who chose to challenge those in power and stand up for social justice. Friday 3 November – 7.30pm - Sacred Heart Church Main Hall, 8 Lauriston Street, EH3 9DJ. Age 11+. Tickets £10 can be purchased at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/401189> or by contacting Andrew Cassidy on [pastoral@lauriston.org.uk](mailto:pastoral@lauriston.org.uk) or 0131 229 9821.

### **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.

- We were delighted with the wonderful turnout at the P6/7 Parents’ Meeting with over 250 parents/carers and pupils coming to hear about the school and leaving very impressed by the quality of the experience on offer as well as by the leadership skills of the S6 pupils who led the school tours.
- Over 30 S2 pupils had a great experience at Outward Bound based at Loch Eil Centre. Pupils were challenged to try gorge walking, rock climbing and even jumping in the loch. Pupils further developed their leadership skills and confidence and returned talking enthusiastically about their experiences.
- 4 S6 pupils attended the Mark Scott Leadership for Life course at Loch Eil successfully completing a very challenging expedition by walking half way up Ben Nevis. Camping, gorge walking and jumping off cliffs into water as well as many other challenges helped pupils develop their confidence, co-operative ability and project management skills.
- All S1 pupils enjoyed a full day trip on the John Muir Way and at East Links Farm Park. Pupils completed the tasks to enable them to be presented in Social Subjects for the John Muir Award. Literacy and Health and Wellbeing in practice.

- S5 pupils studying Food and Textile Technology gained an insight into the manufacturing industry during a trip to Nairns factory at Peffermill.
- S3/4 pupils represented the school at the Enterprising Maths Competition and did us proud.

***Please ask your friends and families to follow us on twitter @HolyRoodRCHigh.'***

## **PARISH REGISTER**

*Please pray for those who have died recently:*

*Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: **Bridie Hanley, Mgr James Rae***

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

**Oct.7:-** David Brown (2007); Catherine Lamara (2004); Thomas Sharp (1989); John Loftus (1929); **Oct.8:-** Katherine Wills (2010); Eva M Berry (1980); Donald O'Kane (1960); **Oct.9:-** Begg family; **Oct.10:-** John Davies (2009); Alice Moran (1973); Kathleen Sharkey (1963); Ralph Osmond (1961); **Oct.11:-** Juliann Roarty (1994); Thomas Bassi (1982); Canon John Ward (1977); **Oct 12:-** Elizabeth Craigie (1988); Lucy Boyd; **Oct.13:-** Anthony & Leonard Reading (2003); Elizabeth Berry (1978); David Hyde (1978); Denis McKay;

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

**Oct.10:-** Isobel Banks (2005); Joseph Muir (1998);

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

**Sick Parishioners - St. John's:** Ronnie Smith, Celia Stone, Matthew Harvey, Michael & Maimie Richards Patricia Lawler, Aodhan Dempsey, Jean McCraw, Joan Howie, Denise O'Donnell, Helen Hanlon, Patricia Davies, Tina Cupo, Mary Phair, Pat Hunter, David Thom snr, Rose Thornton, Anna Butler, James Sangster, Mary Glancy, Patricia Crawford, Giulio Crolla, Alf Macnamara, Patrick McCafferty, Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, John Cregan, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Grady, Jane McGuire, Kathy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Cathy McGravie, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Ann Ward, Gerry Houston, and Lorraine Syme.

**Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's:** Barbara Cawley, 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:*** Geraldine McGreavy, Sr Monica Delaney, Joanne Cooper, Roksana Moczulstra, Wendy Lochhead, Ian Petrie, John Moore, Eleanor Brennan, Ann King, baby Summer Martin, Joan Brooks, Sr May Lewis, Philys Sutherland; Mary Turnbull, Thomas Welsh, Stuart Falconer, Jonty Savage, Julia Jared, Anne-Marie Bevan, Ellen Green, Mario Chianto, Caroline Narrie, Kathleen McConnell, Jake Jordan (aged 17) Marguerite Marlatt, 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, Christopher Browne, Marie Crolla, Margaret Rose, Vera Hawkes, Conor Kerrigan, Maria St. Denis, young Ray Donovan Syme

| <b>Offertory Collections for</b>            | <b>ST MARY MAGDALENE</b>       | <b>ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST</b>  |
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| 1 October                                   |                                |                                |
|   | £396.05 (inc £265.50 gift aid) | £677.52 (inc £278.72 gift aid) |
| Special Collection – Columbian Fathers      | £238.65                        | £493.14 (inc £35.00 gift aid)  |
| <b><i>Thank you for your generosity</i></b> |                                |                                |

| <b>ST MARY MAGDALENE</b>   |                              |                        |
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|  | <b>Readers for Sunday</b>    | <b>Bidding Prayers</b> |
| 8 October  | Sam Henry & Tessa Haring     | Kate Neilson           |
| 15 October   | Laura Tweedie & Robert Moyes | Aileen Hall            |
| <b>If you are interested in joining the 200 Club, please contact Madge and Rob Moyes direct.</b> |                              |                        |

**Warm birthday greetings to Carol Miller, 65 today, Sunday 15 October.**



**Catherine McAnenny writes: 'The Joint Parish Ceilidh is fast approaching on Friday 3rd November** – 7.30pm @ the Jewel Miners' club, music by the fantastic Flaming Nora band. Tickets are now on sale at £10 per ticket & this includes supper. Tickets can be bought from the Parish House Tues-Fri, 10am- 3pm. They will also be sold after all Sunday masses by Madge Moyes at St Mary Magdalene's & Catherine McAnenny at St John's. You can also contact Catherine on 07968970159. Numbers are limited to 200 & the tickets are already selling fast so get your ticket early so as not to be disappointed!!'

## ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST




Saturday 14  
October

G Sellar, V Paterson,  
B Tansey

Sunday 15 October


E Clark, C Dempsey, M Slight,  
M Iannarelli, P Maclellan Hawkes

### Maria Igoe writes:

- **The next Charity Coffee Morning** will be held this Monday 9 October after 10am Mass. Donations will be given to a Charity building houses for homeless families in Kenya. Please come along. 
- **October Devotions** - During October the Rosary and Litany of Loretto will be said at Our Lady's Statue after Mass or Service from Monday to Thursday.
- **The Mary's Meals Backpack Project.** Thank you to those who have donated items - backpacks and notebooks. Please now consider donating pens, pencils and crayons and placing them in the box at the back of the Church. 
- **Nunraw** - The next trip to Nunraw will be on Sunday 15th October, leaving St John's at 1pm. If you wish to go, please contact me on 669 0247. 
- **Medjugorje:** EasyJet are now selling flights for next May. If you would like to go to Medjugorje, the dates for the trip are from Tuesday 15th to 29th May. You may wish to go for 7, 11 or 14 nights. Please book your flights and accommodation and transfers will be arranged for you. The cost including flights is £250 for 7 nights b&b sharing a room and £325 for a single room. For further details please contact me 669 0247 or email [mariaigoe@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mariaigoe@yahoo.co.uk)

LOST &  
FOUND

**A purse has recently been handed in** which was left in the church on either Saturday 26 or Sunday 27 August. If this belongs to you please contact the Office.

**A FINAL REQUEST for Help Recording the Mass CD's for the Housebound: We are still looking for a couple more people** - to take over the recording, editing and CD production of the weekly Sunday Mass to enable distribution to sick and housebound parishioners. To take on this role you need access to a PC or laptop with a CD/DVD drive. The full end to end process will take around 30 minutes – and if we manage to put together a rota of four volunteers that would only be once a month. Full training will be provided – it's also a great opportunity to learn new skills! If interested, please contact Father Jock or Chris Vinestock. **Many thanks to the first two volunteers.....PLEASE CAN WE HAVE ONE OR TWO MORE.....** 

### Love

Love is doing nothing which bruises others; it is putting the interests of others above our own. It is not being irritable, bitter, aggressive or searching for the evil in others; it is not rejoicing in injustice. It is seeking truth in all things.

*Jean Vanier, Community and Growth, p.134*

### The Essential Quality

Perhaps the essential quality for anyone who lives in community is patience; a recognition that we, others and the whole community must take time to grow. Nothing is achieved in a day. If we are to live in community, we need to be friends of time.

*Jean Vanier, Community and Growth, p.134*

### Ways of Exercising Authority

There are different ways of exercising authority and command: the military model, the industrial model and the community model. The general's goal is victory; the factory manager's goal is profit. The goal of the leader of a community is the growth of individuals in love and truth.

*Jean Vanier, Community and Growth, p. 212*

## Masses, Devotions and Services

|  | St John the Evangelist  | St Mary Magdalene  |
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| <b>Saturday 7 October</b><br><br><b>Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary</b> | <b>10.00am:- Mass</b><br><br><b>6.30pm:- Mass - People of the Parish</b>          |  |
| <b>Sunday 8 October</b><br><br>27TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR                     | <b>9.30am:- Mass – Bridie Hanley</b>  | <b>11.15am:- Mass</b>  |
| <b>Monday 9 October</b>  | <b>10.00am:- Mass</b><br><br><b>7-8pm:- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>   |  |
| <b>Tuesday 10 October</b>  | <b>10.00am:- Eucharistic Service</b>  | <b>7.00pm:- Mass</b>   |
| <b>Wednesday 11 October</b>  | <b>10.00am:- Mass</b>   |  |
| <b>Thursday 12 October</b>   | <b>10.00am:- Mass – Bridie Hanley</b>   |  |
| <b>Friday 13 October</b>   | <b>9.25-9.55am:- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b><br><b>10.00am:- Mass</b> |  |
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| <b>Sunday 15 October</b><br><br>28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR                    | <b>9.30am:- Mass – Mgr James Rae</b>  | <b>11.15am:- Mass – People of the Parish</b>                                   |

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