

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

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*23rd Sunday of the Year – 9 September 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 Year's RCIA Enquiry Group Meets For The First Time on Tuesday – 12 September – What does it mean to be a Catholic?



Do you know of anyone who would like to know more about what it means to be a Catholic? Do you know anyone who feels they have lost touch with the Church and would like to find a way of making contact again?

All would be warmly welcome at our informal gathering on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm **starting this Tuesday, 12 September** in the Parish House, 3 Sandford Gardens, Portobello.

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(RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – ie the way adults are received or baptised into the Church...)

## The Renewal of the St John's Legho Partnership – and the gift of a Processional Cross for the new Parish

**Mike Knox writes:** 'At the recent open meeting to look at the development of St John's relationship with Legho Village it was decided to have a **meeting at 8.00pm (NB Change of Time) on Monday 11 September in the Parish House to plan the next steps of the development of our partnership.** All most welcome..

**Legho becomes a Parish on 5 October** and it was suggested that we could send them a **Processional Cross** as a gift. (The one they have presently is a luminous plastic one!). The Processional Cross used at St John's is a gift from Legho and is mounted on a stand made by Mgr Rae. This would mean that at the beginning of both our Sunday masses we would be reminded of each other's presence in a simple and unspoken way. It has been agreed that **next weekend at the 2 St John's Masses, there will be a Leaving Collection** to enable those who wish to contribute towards the cost of the gift.

**The Venerable Margaret Sinclair 2017 Pilgrimage:** The National Pilgrimage for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place next **Sunday 17 September at 2pm** (Mass 4.30pm: Preacher Fr Richard Reid CSSR), St Patrick's Church, 5 South Gray's Close, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1TQ.

## THIS WEEK

**Saturday 9 September** – 10am – St John's – **Bereavement Mass.**

11.30am – Parish House – **St Mary Magdalene's Finance Council Meeting**

**Sunday 10 September** – 7.30pm – Duddingston Kirk – **PACT meetng**

**Monday 11 September**

7pm – St John's Hall – **Parents' Meeting for p4 Do This in Memory of Me Candidates.**

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.'

8pm – Parish House – **Legho Meeting**

**Tuesday 12 September** – 7.30pm – Parish House - **First RCIA Enquiry Evening** (and every subsequent Tuesday).

**Thursday 14 September** – 5pm - Gillis Centre – **Deanery Meeting for the Edinburgh Deanery of St Giles.**

**Saturday 16 September** – 9.45am – St Mary Magdalene's - **Mass with Fr Tabone and his Pilgrimage Group from Gozo.**

1pm – St Mary's Cathedral – **Ordination to the Diaconate of Pat Carrigan and Gerry Sheridan, with Eddie White, our deacon-in-training, receiving the Ministry of Lector (more details next week of Eddie's journey as he enters the third year of formation).'**

**Sunday 17 September** – 2-6pm – St Patrick's , Cowgate Edinburgh EH1 1NA – **2017 Annual Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage to Pray for her Beatification**

### **IN THE COMING WEEKS**

Monday 18 September – 2.30pm – St John's – **Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick. All welcome.**

Thursday 21 September – 7.30pm–8.30pm - St John's Hall - **Free Taster Ballroom Dance Class - All welcome**

Friday 22 September – 10am – **St John's – Opening Mass for the School Year – with St John's Primary School.**

Saturday 23 September – 10.45am – Parish House – **Lectio Divina** – All Welcome

Thursday 28 September – 7pm – St Catharine's Convent of Mercy, 4 Lauriston Gardens Edinburgh EH3 9HH – **Annual Catholic Community Mass.**

'An Open invitation is extended to all staff past and present who have supported Catholic Education in Edinburgh. Please come along and take the opportunity to meet up with former colleagues and friends from our Catholic Community. Refreshments will be provided after Mass. Main Celebrant – Archbishop Leo Cushley.'

Saturday 30 September – 10.30am-12.30pm – St Mary Magdalene Church – **Coffee Morning** – Cake Sale and Community Project Questions and Answers.

Saturday/Sunday 30 September/1 October – **Annual Mission Appeal – this year from the Columban Fathers.**

### **NOTICEBOARD**

**There are libraries with books for anyone to borrow in both churches – and also another one in the meeting room in the Parish House – Fr Jock is also very keen that people feel free to borrow books from his own personal library – come and browse through it in the Parish House anytime (though best to ring first to check someone's in..!)**

**Grant Sellar writes: - CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14 – 20 May 2017** – A Thank You..Christian Aid Week 2017 in Portobello and surrounding areas raised a fantastic £6115.18 (increased to £6727.44 with Gift Aid eligible contributions) to help support the work of Christian Aid in relieving global poverty. On behalf of the Portobello Area Churches Together Christian Aid group, I would like to offer a huge Thank You to all who contributed to the success of Christian Aid Week: to all donors, collectors and organisers.

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you**



#### **A message from the J&P Group:**

**'What to do with your old glasses - recycle.** If you've worn glasses for a few years, you've probably got a few pairs that have an old prescription. Those glasses don't need to be cluttering up your drawers – you can now recycle spectacles with Marie Curie who are supporting Lions Clubs International in recycling old glasses for people who need them in communities across Africa, India and Eastern Europe. All our shops will have boxes where spectacles can be dropped off for spectacle recycling. (Portobello shop on corner of High St and Bath Street)'



**A message from St Martin's, Magdalene Drive: 'Enjoy singing? P4 - S2?'** Come and join our fantastic music group, Dazzle Junior Choir, on Thursday evenings 5.30 - 6.30pm. Funky songs...great harmonies.....rhythm games ....leading to an end of term performance. First session free.' Enquiries or to book a place: tel 620 6020 or email [amuir366@gmail.com](mailto:amuir366@gmail.com)

**Holy Rood RC High News** Here is this week's update of recent events/news from Holy Rood, your Cluster Secondary School.

**Joan Daly writes:** 'Well done to Eleanor Campanile S6, her review of La Bohème at the Edinburgh International Festival was chosen to be published in The Herald newspaper ([@heraldscotland](http://www.heraldscotland.com/arts_ents/15498022.The_Herald_Young_Critic__39_s_Festival_Opera_review__La_boheme_Festival_Theatre/) [http://www.heraldscotland.com/arts\\_ents/15498022.The\\_Herald\\_Young\\_Critic\\_\\_39\\_s\\_Festival\\_Opera\\_review\\_\\_La\\_boheme\\_Festival\\_Theatre/](http://www.heraldscotland.com/arts_ents/15498022.The_Herald_Young_Critic__39_s_Festival_Opera_review__La_boheme_Festival_Theatre/) ...)

We are delighted to host Wilfred Moshi, the only Tanzanian to climb Everest, for 3 weeks. Wilfred has so far talked to S2 Modern Studies pupils and all S6 pupils. We look forward to working with Wilfred over the coming weeks.

120 pupils attended the Higher Education Convention on Tuesday. Attendance at this event opens up the world of further education to S5/6 pupils. It is great to see so many pupils thinking about these important choices. Further advice and guidance will be offered by the S5/6 Year Head and our Careers Advisor as the term progresses.

We were delighted to host the first ever My World of Work Ambassadors training event on Wednesday . 120 pupil Ambassadors from 15 different schools across Edinburgh attended the event on Wednesday. Our S3 and S6 pupils were very excited to be involved in this fantastic opportunity.

Follow the link to read our summer newsletter :- <http://www.holyroodrchighschool.co.uk/?p=913>

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

## **PARISH REGISTER**

*Please pray for those who have died recently: Avril McGillivray, Elspeth Wallace*

*Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Anne McGeachie, Daphne de Freitas, Phyllis Doherty, Denis O'Donnell*

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

Sept.9 :- Mary Gilchrist (2005); Thomas Molloy (1996); Jeannette Kempton (1993); Sept.10 :- George Malcolm (1997); Kenneth G Bevan (1996); Alexander Baird (1986); Sept.11 :- Jimmy Maughan (2016); James McGrory (1997); Sept.12 :- Alec Gilroy (2016); William and Theresa Morrison (1991); Bridget Service (1979); John McCann (1976); Sept.13 :- Neil Griffin (1991); Annie Mouat (1991); Margaret Huntly (1988); Margaret Hartnett (1949); Thomas McDonough; Sept.14 :- John Smith (2009); Janet Gilroy (1956); Agnes Devlin; Sept.15 :- Sylvia Berry (2016); Alessio Lanni (2006); John West (2000); Joseph Waugh (1993); Veronica Haller (1969); Bridget Meehan (1958);

### **St Mary Magdalene's**

Sept.14 :- Samuel Hay (2001)

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

**Sick Parishioners - St. John's:** Patricia Lawler, Jean McCraw, Joan Howie, Denise O'Donnell, Helen Hanlon, Patricia Davies, Tina Cupo, Mary Phair, Michael & Maimie Richards, Pat Hunter, David Thom snr, Rose Thornton, Anna Butler, Gerry Wynne, James Sangster, Mary Glancy, Patricia Crawford, Guilio 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:** Aodhan Dempsey, 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:* 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

**Offertory Collections for**  
3 September

**ST MARY MAGDALENE**

**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST**

£353.91 (inc £191.50 gift aid)

£857.38 (inc £373.99 gift aid)

*Thank you for your generosity*

## ST MARY MAGDALENE

### Readers for Sunday

10 September

Irene Duncan and Eileen Igoe

17 September

John Kelly & Catrina McGillivray

### Bidding Prayers

Peggy Ferguson

Jim Gallagher

**On Saturday 16 September, Fr Tabone will be celebrating Mass at St MM's at 9.45am with the pilgrimage group from Gozo to whom he is showing Scotland – all most welcome...**

**If you are interested in joining the 200 Club, please contact Madge and Rob Moyes direct.**



**Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund Special Collection** – The next special collection for the AICF will be taken on **Sunday 24 September**: if you wish to gift aid your donation, special collection envelopes will be available at the back of both churches. 'Following the generous response to the additional collections taken last year and earlier this year, as well as these donations supporting the current needs of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund we will use some of the donations received to create a new investment fund. This fund will be added to each year and will be used to build a larger fund over the next 20-30 years. In due course the income from this fund will support the cost of retirement benefits that will need to be provided to priests that are ordained over the coming years, when they retire. Many thanks for your continuing support.'

## ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

**Vigil 16  
September**

G Sellar, J Kemp, B Kelly

**Sunday 17  
September**

B Gallagher, L Young, E Buckley,  
P Connarty, C Dempsey



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



**A Request for Help Recording the Mass CD's for the Housebound:** We are looking for someone - or several 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.



**Albert Caballero is cycling from Glasgow to Edinburgh (45 miles) on Sunday 10 September in aid of Bethany Night Shelters. He is seeking sponsorship Please support him for this worthy cause – sponsor sheets at the back of both churches**

### Maria Igoe writes:

- 'The Healing Mass with anointing of the sick will be held on Monday 18 September at 2.30pm in St John's. The Rosary will be said at 2.15pm and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after Mass. Please feel welcome to come to the Hall for tea and cakes afterwards. If you require a lift, please phone Maria Igoe 669 0247.
- Last Sunday the Bishops of Scotland consecrated our country to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Despite heavy rain everyone had a wonderful time. A video of the event, courtesy of Sancta Familia Media, can be seen on 'You Tube' on your computer or on TV via your digital box.
- **Mary's Meals**, as most will know, feeds children in schools so that they can receive an education there. This has made a massive difference in countries where parents do not have food to give their children a meal every day. We can also support their education by giving each child a backpack with supplies they require. Each month an item will be suggested which you may wish to contribute. These things are small to us but make a huge difference in helping the pupils with their studies. For our first month you are asked to offer a backpack, which you may have and no longer need. For those who do not have a backpack, please consider donating a notebook, which will be invaluable for their studies. A small box will be placed at the back of the Church for your offerings. The box will be emptied most days. Phyllis McLeay will convey what we give, to helpers in Dundee, who make up the backpacks for distribution to needy children.'

### An Insight from Jung

'Carl Jung in one of his letters says this: I find you Christians a very good people. When you see somebody in prison, you see Jesus. When you see somebody hungry, you give him food and see Jesus. When you see someone naked, you see Jesus. But what I don't understand is why you don't see Jesus in your own poverty. Why is it that you see him in the poor that are outside of you but you don't in the poor one that is inside of you?'

Jean Vanier

## Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
<b>Saturday 9 September</b>	<b>10.00am:- Bereavement Mass</b> – Yolanda Campanile  <b>6.30pm:- Mass</b> - People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday 10 September</b> 23rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	<b>9.30am:- Mass</b> –SI	<b>11.15am: Mass</b> – Anne McGeachie
<b>Monday 11 September</b>	<b>10.00am:- Mass</b> – Kitty & Bertie de Marco  <b>7-8pm</b> - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
<b>Tuesday 12 September</b>	<b>10.00am:</b> - Eucharistic Service	<b>6.25 – 6.55pm:-</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>7.00pm:- Mass</b> – Denis O'Donnell
<b>Wednesday 13 September</b>  <b>Memorial of St John Chrysostom</b>	<b>10.00am:- Mass</b> – SI	
<b>Thursday 14 September</b> <b>FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS</b>	<b>10.00am:</b> - Mass – Jimmy Gallagher	
<b>Friday 15 September</b> <b>Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows</b>	<b>9.25 – 9.55am:-</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <b>10.00am:- Mass</b> - Sylvia Berry	
<b>Saturday 16 September</b> <b>FEAST OF ST NINIAN</b>	<b>10.00am:</b> - Eucharistic Service  <b>6.30pm:- Mass</b> - People of the Parish	<b>9.45am:- Mass</b> – Daphne de Freitas  <b>(NB time of Mass – Fr Tabone will be celebrating the Mass, with Fr Jock concelebrating)</b>
<b>Sunday 17 September</b> 24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	<b>9.30am:- Mass</b> – Phyllis Doherty	<b>11.15am: Mass</b> – Bernard Ayers

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