



The empty tomb at Lourdes

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY
MAGDALENE

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Easter Sunday – 25 March 2018

*We wish all our Parishioners
and Visitors
A Very Happy
And Joyous Easter.*

Alleluia!

A Happy and joy-filled Easter to Everyone ... and a warm welcome to all visitors to our Churches today. It has been a moving and poignant week for all who've walked with Jesus the journey from Palm Sunday and the entry into Jerusalem to Holy Thursday and Mass of the Last Supper, and from there to Gethsemane and on to Calvary and Good Friday. Now we celebrate, today, the Resurrection of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ – which we Christians believe to be the central event in the history of our world, and one that gives meaning and hope to life, and to each of our lives.

Remember, each day this week is part of the Easter Octave, a full feastday, requiring celebration...

Many many thanks to all who have helped in any way in the liturgy and celebrations in our parishes – to the Pastoral Team, the musicians, the altar servers and their co-ordinators, the welcomers, the readers, the Eucharistic ministers, the Flower Team, the Fire Team, the Hospitality Group, those who've cleaned the churches, and to the parishes' Administrator, the photocopyers and helpers who produced the orders of service – and to all those who've helped in other ways so discreetly that they've not been noticed or remembered ... **to all who helped this to be a truly Holy Week, heartfelt thanks.**

Please continue to pray for our Nadine Turnbull, Andrew Farmer, Lesley Irvine and Kenny Stewart Sturrock who were baptised/received, confirmed and made their first communion at the Easter Vigil last night. We pray also for the six children to be baptised in our two churches today - **Antonio Crolla, Shay Graham, Millie Telfer, Malin Telfer, . Helena Filis and Emilia Dick** – and for their families.

To the Cross' - an Easter Play being performed today Sunday at 2pm in Duddingston Village and Kirk , ' -

Chris Jones writes: 'Every five years since 2003, a production of the play has been performed in the village of Duddingston and in the beautiful grounds of Duddingston Kirk. It takes place this year today, Easter Sunday, at 2pm and is free (though you can contribute to help with the substantial cost). It is based on the Gospels and the poetry of Michael Justin Davis, and produced by Charles Nowosielski (who first heard the Michel Justin Davis reflections at Fr Jock's Stations of the Cross in Mussellburgh in the late 1980's). A large cast of professional and amateur actors follow the Passion of Christ. In scenes akin to a mediaeval outdoor passion play, the plot develops with the audience following and becoming part of the action.

This is a joint venture between Theatre Alba and local churches. Several of our parishioners from St. John's and St. Mary Magdalene's are taking part, with Fr. Jock, Dr. Jack (of Duddingston Kirk) and Dr. Sophia Marriage (of St. Mark's) starting the proceedings. Parking is available at Holy Rood High School. Please support this very worthwhile venture. It will be a long time before the next one! Leaflets are available at the back of the church.'

The Annual Celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy - 3-5.30pm – Sunday 8 April - St Mary's Cathedral –

'The Divine Mercy Group would like to invite you all to the major annual celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy – Act of Entrustment of the destiny of the world; Songs of Praise; the Chaplet of Divine Mercy; Meditations on excerpts from the Bible and from the Diary of saint Faustinas; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament....There will also be an opportunity for confession.....www.divinemercurygroup.co.uk'

THIS WEEK

Saturday 31 March - Holy Saturday

10am – St John's – **Morning Prayer and the Office of Readings.**

8.30pm – St John's - **Easter Vigil with Baptism and Confirmation of RCIA catechumen and candidates....**followed by a Celebration in the Church Hall.

Sunday 1 April – EASTER SUNDAY

9.30am – St John's – **Easter Children's Mass** with baptism of **Antonio Crolla, Shay Graham, Millie Rose Helen Jean Telfer and Malin Telfer.**

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Easter Children's Mass** with baptism of **Helena Filis, Emilia Elizabeth Dick.**

2pm – **Duddingston Village – TO THE CROSS, a Passion Play.**

Monday 2 April – Easter Monday -10.45am – St John's Hall – Charity Coffee morning

Thursday 5 April

1pm - Church of St Michael, Westmoreland Road, Newcastle – **Requiem Mass for Cardinal Keith O'Brien.**

6.30pm – Parish House – **St John's Fabric Committee**

Friday 6 April - 1pm – Mount Vernon Cemetery – **Burial of Cardinal O'Brien.**

Saturday 7 April

10am-1pm – St John's Hall – **Pamoja Fashion Sale**

10.45am – Parish House - **Lectio Divina** – All welcome

Sunday 8 April –

12 midday-1.30pm – St Mark's Episcopal Church – **Light Lunch and the Creation of a Fabric Square based on 'What Love means to you':** 'Anyone who would like to work with us on this project and would like further details, please contact Sheena McDonald, ☎07981 297805.'

3pm-5.30pm - **St Mary's Cathedral – The annual Celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy**

IN THE COMING WEEKS:

Wednesday 11 April – 7.30pm – St John's Pastoral Council Meeting

Thursday 12 April

6.30pm – Parish House - **Meeting of Legho Renewal Group.**

7.30pm – St John's Hall – **Get-together of Lenten House groups**

Friday 13 April – 7.30pm – St John's Hall - Singalong evening with Rod and Gerry - £5 (for Justice and Peace Funds) – see Noticeboard below

Tuesday 17 April

7pm - St Andrews, Ravelston, Belford Road, Edinburgh EH4 3DS – **SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**

Thursday 19 April

12.45pm – St Mary's Cathedral – **Month's Mind Mass for Cardinal O'Brien, celebrated by Archbishop Cushley.**

NOTICEBOARD



An invitation from the J&P Group

'Remember our fabulous singalong evening 18 months ago? Well, it's back !!!

Rod and Gerry will be entertaining us again with all the songs you know and love – and love to sing along to! Turn unlucky Friday 13 April into a lucky day with an evening of song and entertainment in St John's church hall starting at 7.30pm. BYOB. Snacks

provided. Tickets only £5. All proceeds to a charity or appeal that will be finalised.'

SAFEGUARDING - For those parish volunteers with PVG who were unable to attend one of the required training courses held recently in St Mary's, Leith, there is a further opportunity for attendance at a date fixed for courses being held in Edinburgh.



It is as follows:

Date: **Tuesday 17 April - 7pm**

Venue: St Andrews, Ravelston, Belford Road Edinburgh EH4 3DS

All volunteers are urged to try and attend this event, which lasts approximately two hours.

Please inform Peter Gillam (07771982177) for St John's volunteers or Alison Connelly for St Mary Magdalene's volunteers if you intend attending, so that the person conducting the course can be notified of the identity and number of attendees.

Portobello Holiday Club 2018 – Teambuilders –



Michelle Brown writes: 'This summer, our Portobello Holiday Club is running for the fourth year with six area churches working together. From the 16 to the 20 of July from 9am to 12:30pm, our halls at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church and at St Mark's Scottish Episcopal Church will be full of children and volunteers exploring the *Teambuilders* 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 crèche available for volunteers' children younger than primary school. We hope your family will join us! Registration is now open. Contact Michelle Brown at portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com to get registrations forms. The cost is £1 per day per child. We are also 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, crèche care, administration, small group leaders, and much more. There will be a training morning for the full team on a Saturday in June and a further team meeting in July. All volunteers will need to complete an application form for Michelle Brown and sort their PVG record application with Carol Brackenridge. New volunteers also need to get one reference, plus a minister reference. Please note that this year we are leading this holiday club without Scripture Union so the forms for volunteering and registering will be different. 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 via email 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.' **The St John's and St Mary Magdalene's contact is Lynda Kazimoglu.**

Holy Rood RC High School News:

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

- S5/6 pupils returned to school after a very successful **Study Weekend** in Aberfoyle, where they spent their time attending maths masterclasses and study clinics.
- This week Holy Rood pupils along with Danny Graves (Holy Rood PE teacher and former pupil) appeared nationally on Sky Sports' coverage of "Support the Ref" week. Our senior pupils including School Captain, Kyle McFarlane, and Eden Manson (S5), were interviewed regarding the skills they have gained in school since undertaking the **SQA Referee Award** in what was a very impressive showcase. Please follow the link to see for yourselves skysports.tv/OHqTv9

- S3 pupils were treated to a **STEM event** when pupils were encouraged to explore careers in technology as a future pathway. The **Microsoft** team who also led pupil workshops throughout the day - an interactive and inspirational experience for all.
- S1/2 pupils raised money for **Peace Direct**, our Lenten Charity in a **Sponsored Silence**. The **S6 Stay Awake** will add to the fundraising grand total which will be announced after the Easter break.
- Our programme of S4-6 **Easter Supported Study** opportunities is available on our school website.
- **We take a break for the Easter holidays, and wish all of the parishioners a very Happy Easter.**
Please follow us on twitter @HolyRoodRCHigh.'

Please remember to return your SCIAF 'wee boxes'.

PARISH REGISTER

*Please pray for those who have died recently: **Pietro Gargaro, Gordon Reid QC, Maria McConnell***

*Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: **Liz Davis, Ellie Meagher, Alison Stewart***

St John's :

Mar.31:- Elizabeth Kelly (2008); Peter Sheridan (2003); Anthony John (2002); Margaret Thackery (2002); Agnes Clyne (1956); Alison Stewart (1994); Apr.1:- Ellie Meagher (2016); Kathleen Craig (2014); Hedley Smibert (2008); Margaret Smith (2007); James McAlinden (1987); Mary Anne McWilliams (1972); Apr.2:- Mary Burke (1997); Mrs. Brennan (1993); James Magee (1962); Apr.3:- Margaret Skead (1999); James Bryce (1978); Apr.4:- Terence Anderson (1998); Mary Campbell (1995); Apr.5:- Grace Kelegher (2014); Maureen Pitter (2012); Denis Holligan (1962); Annie Bonnar; Norah Cavaye; Apr.6:- Betty Munro (1997); Elizabeth Rennie (1997);

St. Mary Magdalene's :

Apr.1:- Liz Davis (2016); Apr.2:- Hugh Boyle (1997); Apr.4:- Thomas Freeman (2004); Apr.5:- John Boyle (2001);

Please pray for the sick of our sister parishes, including

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Kate Walsh, Rose Thornton, Mary Phair, Alan Lugton, Mary Glancy, Cathy McGravie, Jean McCraw, Joan Howie, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Kitty Dykes, David Codling, Ernie Moran, Norman Telfer, Philip Jamieson, Matthew Harvey, Maimie Richards, Patricia Lawler, Aodhan Dempsey, Helen Hanlon, Patricia Davies, Tina Cupo, Pat Hunter, David Thom snr, Anna Butler, James Sangster, Patricia Crawford, Guilio Crolla, Alf Macnamara, Patrick McCafferty, Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Grady, Jane McGuire, Kathy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Ann Ward, Gerry Houston, and Lorraine Syme.

Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's: Jane Skey, Carolynne McCann, Kate Neilson, Jimmy Kesson, Tracey Moohan, Agnes Harvey, Maureen Scott, Bridget Malone, 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: Maureen Connolly, Edith Lautner, Allan Crombie, James Devlin, Fred and Diana Hibbert, Sr Helen McLaughlin, Jean Nelson, Joseph Daly, Joseph Jordan, Vic Legrix, Vera Hegarty, Hew Dalrymple, Irene Baillie, Eileen Daly, Geraldine McGreavy, Joanne Cooper, Roksana Moczulstra, Wendy Lochhead, Eleanor Brennan, Ann King, Joan Brooks, Sr May Lewis, Philys Sutherland; Mary Turnbull, Stuart Falconer, Jonty Savage, Julia Jared, Anne-Marie Bevan, Ellen Green, Mario Chianto, Caroline Narrie, Kathleen McConnell, Jake Jorden (aged 18), George Collins, Margaret Robb, Sr Anne Doherty SND, Ena McCann, John Donnelly, Noel Flanagan, Austen Tod, Peter Kent, Isabel Bolus, Isabel McInrue, Christopher Browne, Marie Crolla, Margaret Rose, Vera Hawkes, Conor Kerrigan, young Ray Donovan Syme.

	ST MARY MAGDALENE	ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
Offertory Collections		
25 March	£322.02 (inc £87.40 gift aid)	£974.82 (inc £352.80 gift aid)

Thank you for your generosity

ST MARY MAGDALENE		
	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
1 April	Children's Mass	
8 April	Catrina McGillivray & Eileen Igoe	Jim Gallagher

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Saturday 7 April

J Roarty, B Kelly, J Kemp

Sunday 8 April

E Clark, C Dempsey, G Gallagher,
M Slight, M Iannarelli



Welcome to the World.....Harris, a son for Nicola and Malcolm Newlands, born on 20 February,...and **Ivy**, a daughter for Tom and Kerry Martin, born on 20 March,....**two new great grandchildren for Joyce Martin!**

Easter Offering envelopes are available at the back of the Church.

The next Fabric Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday 5 April at 6.30pm in the Parish House.

For all those who use Gift Aid envelopes, the new Gift Aid envelopes commencing 1 April 2018 are now available for collection from the back of the church. If you are not currently a member of this Scheme and would like to start, please do get in touch with Karen, our Parish Administrator who shall send you out a pack for you to complete and return.

Maria Igoe writes:

- Monday 2 April – St John's Hall @10.45am – Charity Coffee Morning. All welcome.
- **Mary's Meals backpacks** - Your donations have been very generous. Please now give new or second hand clothes suitable for school eg shorts or skirt, t-shirt or dress, flip-flops or sandals for children between 4 and 12 years.
- **The Annual Legion of Mary Acies** - service of consecration to Our Lady -- will be held on Saturday 7 April at 3pm in St Catharine's Convent, Lauriston Gardens. Active members, Auxiliary members and other friends of the Legion will be very welcome. For further information please contact me ☎ 669 0247.'



Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 31 March Holy Saturday at the Tomb of Christ	10.00am: – Mass - Morning Prayer and the Office of Readings 8.30pm – Easter Vigil – People of the Parish - with Baptism and Confirmation of RCIA Catechumen and Candidates	
Sunday 1 April EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	9.30am:- Easter Children’s Mass with Baptisms - Ellie Meagher	11.15am:- Easter Children’s Mass with Baptisms - Liz Davis
Monday 2 April EASTER OCTAVE	10am:- Mass– Linda Wisbach 7.00pm–8pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tuesday 3 April EASTER OCTAVE	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	9.25am-9.55am:- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass – SI
Wednesday 4 April EASTER OCTAVE	10.00am:- Mass – Michael Richards	
Thursday 5 April EASTER OCTAVE	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	10.00am:- Mass –Mgr David Gemmell
Friday 6 April EASTER OCTAVE	9.25am–9.55am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass – Jim Byers	
Saturday 7 April EASTER OCTAVE	10.00am:- Mass – Joseph Gallagher 6.30pm:- Mass – People of the Parish	
Sunday 8 April 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER _ Feast of Divine Mercy	9.30am:- Mass – Brunton Scott	11.15am:- Mass – Helen Budge

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