

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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The Baptism of the Lord – 13 January 2019

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.



The Visit of Bruce Kent to our diocese – and next Saturday evening Vigil Mass (6.30pm Saturday 20 January) to St John's to offer a reflection:

Jim Roarty of the Justice and Peace Group writes: 'For those of a particular age, Bruce Kent needs no introduction. Born in London in 1929 and educated by the Jesuits at Stonyhurst, he had a spell in the army before being ordained in 1958. His first experience of CND was not a happy one when one of its marches through London caused several brides to be late for their weddings at the Kensington church where he was a curate!

It was while he was chaplain to the University of London that he became convinced of the evil of nuclear weapons and became active in the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament. In the 60's, this was a high profile campaign with large numbers of supporters, but also large numbers of opponents, with CND leaders such as Fr Bruce Kent being vilified as traitors to their country.

In the 70's, as the focus switched to other things – Vietnam, economic woes etc – the CND's numbers dropped away. However, in 1979, the then Mgr Bruce Kent – still a priest – took up the reins just as concern was rising about Cruise missiles being based in the UK and discussions starting about Trident as a replacement for Polaris; membership took off from almost zero to over 100,000, huge demonstrations were held across the country and Mgr Kent's face was seldom off our screens. MI5 tapped his phone, he was accused of being a Communist subversive and someone sent him a parcel bomb – so he must have been doing something right!

In 1987, because Canon Law forbade him as a priest to actively campaign during the General Election, he resigned the priesthood. The following year, he married Valerie, a fellow peace worker.

Bruce has been active in other causes; among other things, he chaired War on Want and is active in assisting prisoners of conscience. However, it is his role as a leader in the campaign against nuclear weapons that he is best known, a role which he fulfils with charm and an active sense of humour but also with a commitment and determination still undimmed even as he approaches his 90th birthday.'

Fr Basil Clark, Vicar Episcopal of Justice and Peace writes: 'Bruce Kent introducing Pax Christi Scotland – Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 January:

Saturday 19 January:

10.00 Mass at Our Lady of Loretto and St Michael, 17 Newbigging, Musselburgh EH21 7AJ followed by Exposition - 10.30 – Coffee and Registration in the Hall - **11am – Bruce Kent - Introducing Pax Christi**
12.30 - Soup and Salad Lunch - 1.30 – Closing Prayers

To help with catering if you would like to attend this event please contact Fr Basil Clark at Our Lady of Loretto and St Michael – pplorettoandstmichael@gmail.com or Kay Leslie – Kay.Leslie@staned.org.uk

Bruce Kent will also be speaking at/after the following Masses:

6.30pm - Vigil Mass at St John's, 3 Sandford Gardens, Portobello EH15 1LP

Sunday 20 January 2019

10am – St Martin of Tours, 150 Hight Street, Tranent EH33 1HJ

11.30 - St Gabriel's, West Loan, Prestonpans, East Lothian EH32 9JX . Following Mass, there will be a display in the hall where Bruce can speak to people further over tea and coffee.'

THIS WEEK

Saturday 12 January

10.45am – Parish House – **Lectio Divina** – The Baptism of Jesus

12.30pm – St John's – **Baptism of Harris Newlands**

Monday 14 January –

2.30pm – St John's Church - **Healing Mass with anointing of the Sick and Elderly**

(7pm – **The Pastoral Council Meeting at St Mary Magdalene's postponed to 21 January**)

Tuesday 15 January -7.30pm - Mayfield Salisbury Church – Meeting of the Edinburgh Circle of the Newman Association - 'The Holy Land: encounters with narratives, people, facts and faith - a talk by Mike Mineter' - 'Please note that this is an unavoidable change of speaker from our published programme. All warmly welcome to come along. A donation is requested to cover our costs.'

Thursday 17 January

12.30pm – St Mary Magdalene – **Requiem Mass for Pat Marin**

4.15pm – Parish House – **Pastoral Team Meeting**

Saturday 19 January

11am – Parish House – **Meeting of Do This in Memory 'Parish Children'**.

12 midday – St John's – **Baptism of Hunter McLeod**

6.30pm – St John's – **Vigil Mass with a reflection by Bruce Kent**

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Sunday 20 January - Beginning of Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Prayer at Midday followed by soup and sandwich lunch from Monday to Friday at various Portobello Churches – details next week).

1.00pm – leaving St John's - **Trip to Nunraw**

Monday 21 January

9.45am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Requiem Mass for Mary Fairbairn**

7.00pm – St Mary Magdalene Hall – **St MM Pastoral Council Meeting** (postponed from 14 January)

7.30pm - Palmerston Place Church, 10 Palmerston Pl, Edinburgh EH12 5AA - **Ecumenical Evening Service of Prayer and Worship for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity organised by Edinburgh Churches Together** (see noticeboard below)

Wednesday 23 January – 7pm – St Mary, Star of the Sea, Hall – Youth Alpha (see noticeboard below)

Saturday 26 January - from 7.30pm - St John's Church Hall - Joint Parish Burns Supper

Sunday 27 January

9.30am – St John's – **P4 Do This in Memory Mass with Presentation of the Gospels**

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's - **P3 & Children's mass**

Saturday 9 February – 9.30am – 5.00pm - George Young Hall, – Day Workshop – 'Sources of Wisdom' with Fr Laurence Freeman - <http://eicsp.org/events/event-details/641-day-workshop-sources-of-wisdom-9-February-2019/> Cost: £35/£25-£20 (Concessions)/£10 (Students). For a Registration Form: Contact: Neill Walker, mesp2019@hotmail.com, 0131 331 4469. Laurence Freeman OSB is a Benedictine monk and the spiritual guide and Director of The World Community for Christian Meditation, an ecumenical contemplative community.

Saturday 23 February – St Mary's, Leith - Race Night to raise funds for St Catherine's Convent Homeless Project

NOTICEBOARD

Edinburgh Churches Together - An Invitation to an Ecumenical Evening Service of Prayer and Worship for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Palmerston Place Church – Monday 21 January- 7.30pm

Imogen Gibson, Communications & Administrator Officer, writes:- 'I am writing on behalf of Edinburgh Churches Together (ECT) to invite you to this service which ECT is hosting for the first time. The service will be at the Church of Scotland's Palmerston Place Church, 10 Palmerston Pl, Edinburgh EH12 5AA on Monday 21 January at 7.30pm.

Each year the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches and the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity in Rome, who have ultimate responsibility for the Church Unity Octave, invite a national church to choose a theme and prepare worship materials for the week. For 2019, the Christian Church in Indonesia has chosen the theme of "*Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue*" (Deuteronomy 16 : 18-20)". Our service will be led by Mgr. Philip Kerr, Parish Priest of St. Patrick's, Cowgate and Convener of ECT and Rev. Marjory McPherson, Presbytery Clerk, Edinburgh Presbytery, Church of Scotland and Vice Convener of ECT. The guest preacher will be Rev. Colin Sinclair, Moderator Elect of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. There will be a reception following the service to which everyone is warmly invited.'

YOUTH ALPHA!

Stephanie Lee, the Youth Worker from St Mary, Star of the Sea, Leith writes: 'This month we are launching our first ever YOUTH ALPHA. Join us for fun, food and discussion! Each week will look at a different question around faith, designed to create conversation and relationships. This introductory series is aimed at ALL young people regardless of where they are in their faith journey.

WHO Anyone aged 12-15 years

WHEN Wednesdays at 7pm starting on 23 January in the Hall

Come along and find out what it is all about or contact Stephanie for more information at steph.oblateyouth@gmail.com'

Cluster Group D Day Landings Battlefields Visit – August 2019

Des Brogan writes: 'As a result of the successful Cluster Parish Pilgrimage to the WW1 battlefields which was held in April 2018, it has been suggested that we should plan a follow up experience to the D Day Landings beaches in Normandy. This note is an invitation to anyone who might be interested in participating in such a visit. Depending on numbers (30 minimum), the tour will travel to Normandy on Sunday 25th and return on Friday 30th August 2019. Accommodation will be at the Novotel, Bayeux and the cost will be £600 pp with £95 single person supplement. The itinerary will include visits to Pegasus Bridge, Sword, Gold, Juno and Omaha beaches as well as a number of museums and other less well known sites. Further details are available from Des Brogan who can be contacted on 07710 720 774. **Please indicate interest as soon as possible if you wish to go on this tour since we will have to confirm the hotel booking in the next few weeks.**'

JOB VACANCY – Administrative assistant at St Mark's Episcopal Church, Portobello High St.

'The vestry of St Mark's Church in Portobello is seeking to recruit a part time administrative assistant. This new role will be key in streamlining the work of the congregation and enabling us to move forward in a strategic way on a large building project. Duties will include: secretarial work, aiding the communication of the congregation (including the creation of posters and booklets), help with online communication channels, some book-keeping and liaison with external contractors.

Hours: 6 hours a week, preferably to be worked in two mornings of 3 hours. Pay: £10 ph. **For further details please contact the Rector; Sophia Marriage – rector@stmarksportobello.org** Or on 07787 553537

Closing Date: Sunday 27 January at 5pm. Interviews will be held on Friday 1st February in the morning.'

JOB VACANCY - Service Administrator - L'Arche Edinburgh - Full time - £19,572-£19,843- Leith, Edinburgh - Closing 16 January 2019



Ally Mooney of L'Arche, Edinburgh writes: '**We are seeking an energetic and experienced Administrator** who can provide efficient administrative support to our organization in all aspects including IT, human resources, finance, health and safety, and who would enjoy being part of a small, friendly organization. L'Arche Edinburgh support adults with learning disabilities with a wide range of needs in a mixture of small, shared houses and individual tenancies.

The successful candidate will be subject to a Standard Disclosure check.

Application notes - An application pack is available for download online.

Closing date for applications: 16 January

Post your application to: L'Arche Edinburgh (Recruitment), Sugarbond Level 1, 2 Anderson Place, Edinburgh, EH6 5NP; or e-mail it to edinburgh@larche.org.uk'

SPRED Appeal for Catechists – ‘Special Religious Education (SPRED) are looking for catechists who have previously ministered with SPRED in order to find out if they would be willing to put themselves forward, once again, on either a one-off basis or for a limited time when and if there is a need. Having well trained & experienced SPRED catechists will help ensure there is cover if there is ever a shortage through illness etc. If you would like to come back into SPRED ministry please contact the SPRED office through SPRED@staned.org.uk on 0131 623 8918, or write to SPRED at 100 Strathearn Road Edinburgh EH9 1BB.’

Sancta Maria Abbey

The Cistercian Monks of Nunraw Abbey ‘have now opened a part of the Monastery as their new guest house. They can be contacted by telephone on 01620 830 223 between the hours of 9.00 to 11.00 am and 2:30 to 4:30 pm. These restricted hours reflect the need for us to give precedence to the liturgical services which are our priority as monks. Please note that there is now a tariff for guests which is set at commercial rates.

Singing group for people with dementia and their carers (free) - 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month, 2pm-4pm at Willowbrae Church hall, Jock’s Lodge corner. Forthcoming date: **14 January**. Further information from Cath Norman 0131 669 1498.

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.

- This week we welcomed pupils back after the Christmas holidays and are delighted to announce that pupil and staff efforts to fundraise during Advent provided £1000 for sleeping bags for the Homeless through Soul Food and The Cyrenians. An additional £1000 raised from daily collections, Christmas Style Day, and Holy Rood’s Got Talent as well as a full week of staff vs pupils sporting events will be sent to the Charity ‘Fresh Start.
- As ever, a jam packed end of term Ruth Bowness from St Andrew’s University was announced as The Maths Hall of Fame Winner 2018. We were honoured to welcome Ruth to talk about her medical research to S2 pupils. In the Maths Faculty, Lewis Moorhead was awarded with a Bronze Award for the UKMT Maths Challenge. This is a fantastic achievement – well done Lewis! Finally, senior pupils studying Design Engineering and Technology enjoyed a curricular visit to the V & A Museum in Dundee.
- Please remember our senior pupils in your prayers as they begin Prelim Exams next week.

Date for your diary:-

- S2 Parents’ Meeting on Thursday 17 March 1pm-2.30pm– we look forward to welcoming parents and carers with S2 pupils to talk about their learning and next steps.
- Careers Fair on Wednesday 6 Feb – 5pm–6.30pm – S3-6 parents and carers are invited to meet employers and representatives from colleges and all the universities in the central belt and also learn about the Senior Course Choice Process.

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

PILATES

Fiona MacPherson writes: ‘A new block of Pilates classes starts on Tuesday 15 January at 7.30pm in St John’s Church hall. Although it is not a beginner’s class, options are available that make it suitable for everyone. If you are interested in joining us, have any questions or would like to come along for a “taster class’ please message me on 07968036065.’

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: Susan Boyle, Christopher Ware, Barbara Buda, Ed Collins and Fr Jim McCrudden

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Andrew Neilsen, Mary Gilhooley

St John’s :-

Jan.12:- Elizabeth Doherty (2009); Maureen Molloy (2002); Canon Hugh Gordon (2001); Arthur J Cockburn (1980); James Marshall; Jan.13:- Andrew Neilson (2001); Lizzie Waugh (1997); Veronica Black (1992); Bridget Meldrum (1986); Anne Wood (1963); William Smart (1945); Jan.14:- Annie Harris (2016); John McLoughlin (2012); Jean Holligan (2006); Richard Watt (1995); Jan.15:- Rita Santangeli (2012); Isabella Thomson (2001); Kitty Durkin (1995); Jan.16:- Nancy Hancock (1997); Cyril Gorman; Angus McKinnon; Mary Scollan; Jan.17:- James Gilchrist (1995); George Tunley (1933);

Jan.18:- Elizabeth McGrory (2003); Margaret McGuire (1963);

St. Mary Magdalene’s:-

Jan.12:- Maureen Fairnie (2009); Peter Fergus (1997); Jan.15:- Luigia D’Inverno (2003); Jan.16:- Thomas Farrell (1969); Jan.17:- Mary Gilhooley (1982);

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Marie White, David Robertson, Jean McCraw, Cathy Walls, Anna Butler, Mary Phair, Carolann Cranston, Sara Alkahankni, Lena Mancini, Kate Walsh, Rose Thornton, Alan Lugton, Mary Glancy, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Kitty Dykes, Ernie Moran, Norman Telfer, Philip Jamieson, Maimie Richards, Patricia Lawler, Helen Hanlon, Pat Hunter, David Thom snr, Patricia Crawford, Guilio Crolla, Alf Macnamara, Patrick McCafferty, Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Grady, Kathy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Ann Ward, Lorraine Syme.

Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's: John Newell, Ray Donnelly, Louise Gorman, Michael McPhillips, Agnes Harvey, Bridget Malone, Charles Malcolm, Ella Ayers, 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: Jean Vanier, Margaret Jamieson, Margaret Walker, Ellen Kelly, Joanna Lamb, Jimmy Loughran, Pez Nye, Hazel Marshall, Joseph Jordan, Sr Veronica Marshall, James Clerk, Alice Doherty, Martin Doherty, John Clark, Maureen Connolly, Diana Hibbert, Sr Helen McLaughlin, Jean Nelson, Joseph Daly, James Sangster, Irene Baillie, Eileen Daly, Geraldine McGreavy, Joanne Cooper, Rokšana Moczulstra, Wendy Lochhead, Eleanor Brennan, Ann King, Joan Brooks, Sr May Lewis, Philys Sutherland; Mary Turnbull, Stuart Falconer, Jonty Savage, Julia Jared, Ellen Green, Mario Chianto, Caroline Narrie, Kathleen McConnell, Jake Jorden, 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		
6 January 2019	£486.05 (including £260.00 gift aid)	£921.10 (including £445.54 gift aid)
Special Collection -Justice & Peace	£142.09	£ 464.32 (including £10.00 gift aid)
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>		

ST MARY MAGDALENE		
	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
13 January	Eileen Igoe & Catrina McGillivray	Jennifer Morris
20 January	Mary Fenwick & Olaf Pusch	Jean Douglas
Next Monday – 21 January – there will be a Pastoral Council meeting at 7pm in the Hall – all welcome.		

The Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh Catholic Directory for 2019 now on sale at the back of both churches - price £2.50

Catherine McAnenny writes:- ‘Joint Parish Burns Supper, Saturday 26 January from 7.30 pm. We will have a cash bar & entertainment from some of our very talented parishioners. **This event is now SOLD OUT.** However there will be the opportunity to buy raffle tickets after mass in the next two weekends & the draw will take place on the night of the supper. **All proceeds going towards funding two defibrillators, one for each parish.’**

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST			
Saturday 19 January	C Vinestock, J Lawler, J Martin	Sunday 20 January	E Clark, G Gallagher, E Veitch, P McLeay, M Iannarelli

Maria Igoe writes:-

- ‘There will be a Healing Mass with anointing on Monday 14 January at 2.30pm. The Rosary will be said at 2.15pm and there will be an opportunity for Reconciliation after Mass. Please come to the Hall afterwards for tea and home baking.
- On Sunday 20 January there will be a trip to Nunraw, leaving St John's at 1pm and getting back to Portobello by 7.30pm. If you wish to go, please let Maria (669 0247) know.’

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 12 January	10.00am – Mass - Fay Dignan 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – People of the Parish	
Sunday 13 January THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - FEAST	9.30am:- Mass – SI	11.15am:- Mass – SI (Christmastide)
Monday 14 January	2.30pm – Healing Mass – Andrew Neilsen 6.00pm–7.00pm: - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tuesday 15 January	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	9.25-55am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass – Hew & Anne-Louise Dalrymple
Wednesday 16 January	10.00am:- Mass – SI (Christmastide)	
Thursday 17 January St Anthony - Memorial	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	12.30pm:- Requiem Mass for Pat Marin
Friday 18 January	9.00am–9.55am: - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am – Mass – Elizabeth Whitelock 3.00pm: - Divine Mercy Devotions	
Saturday 19 January	10.00am – Mass - Deceased members of the Legion of Mary 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – Vincent McDevitt	
Sunday 20 January 2nd Sunday of the Year	9.30am:- Mass – Anne Burns	11.15am:- Mass – People of the Parish

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