

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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The Epiphany of the Lord – 6 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.

A HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR TO ONE AND ALL

Sunday – the Feast of the Epiphany - is the Annual Day of Prayer for Peace

With this newsletter is a pastoral letter from Bishop William Nolan, Bishop of Galloway, President of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland Justice and Peace Commission, and also a reflection on a life in service of Peace by local Quaker, David Turner. **There will be a special collection for the work of Justice and Peace at all Masses.**

THIS WEEK

Saturday 5 January – 12.30pm – Baptism of Bobby Nonso Nwanze

Monday 7 January - 10.45am – St John's Hall - Charity Coffee Morning

Tuesday 8 January

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

7.30pm – Parish House – **RCIA restarts**

Wednesday 9 January –

10.00am –St John's - **Requiem Mass for Palmira Crolla**

7.00pm – Parish House – **St John's Pastoral Council Meeting**

Thursday 10 January

11.00am – St John the Baptist, Uddingston G71 7AH – **Requiem Mass for Dr Julian Bath**

2.00pm – **Burial of Joan Howie's ashes**

7.30pm – Parish House – **Meeting of Cluster Parish Priests & Pastoral Council Chairs**

Friday 11 January

10.00am – **Mass for the (postponed) Feast of St John with St John's Primary School**

12 midday – Seafield Crematorium – **Cremation of baby Annie Christie**

7.00pm – Parish House –**St John's Pastoral Council Meal - farewell to retiring chair**

Siobhan Sellar and welcome to the new Chair, Donald Scott

Saturday 12 January

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

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

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Monday 14 January - 2.30pm – St John's Church - **Healing Mass with anointing of the Sick and Elderly**

Tuesday 15 January - 7.30pm - Mayfield Salisbury Church – **Meeting of the Edinburgh Circle of the Newman Association** (see noticeboard)

Sunday 20 January - 1.00pm – leaving St John's - **Trip to Nunraw**

Saturday 26 January

From 7.30pm - St John's Church Hall - **Joint Parish Burns Supper** – 'Tickets cost £10pp. All proceeds to go towards funding two defibrillators for the parishes. Tickets will be on sale in the New Year. For any information contact Catherine McAnenny on 07968970159.'

Sunday 27 January

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

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

NOTICEBOARD

The Lectio Divina Group will meet at 10.45am in the Parish House on Saturday 16 February (Prayer & Community); on **Saturday 30 March** (Prayer in time of Trial); and on **Saturday 27 April** (Resurrection).

A message from the Justice & Peace Group – 'A big thanks to St Mary Magdalene's children's liturgy group who raised £220 for the Bethany Night Shelter meals from their Cakes and Baubles sale during Advent. The home-baked cakes and the Christmas tree decorations obviously went down well! This money will help us to buy the food we need to provide meals for the homeless using the night shelter. Well done girls and boys (and the adults who supported you)!'

The Edinburgh Circle of the Newman Association 'continues its season of talks on Tuesday 15 January 2019 in Mayfield Salisbury Church at 7.30pm with '*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.'

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. (However, because of a sickness bug, the abbey and Guest Rooms will be closed to visitors.)

Cluster Group D Day Landings Battlefields Visit 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.**'

Buy a bed for Bethany.....

'I'm writing to let you know that we have launched our Buy a Bed campaign again this winter to raise funds for the Care Shelter. It costs £21 for one person to stay one night at the Care Shelter. We sell vouchers whereby people can pay £21 and fund a place at the Care Shelter for a night. (It's a virtual voucher and not something that needs passed to

someone who is homeless.) Last winter people bought them instead of Christmas presents for friends or relatives and it raised over £8,000 for the Care Shelter!

The link where people can buy the vouchers is <http://fundraising.bethanychristiantrust.com/event/bab18>

The Care Shelter is going really well this winter – a big thank you to all of you who have catered, prayed or donated so far this winter! Numbers are really high with an average of 58 people turning up per night. Sadly this means that sometimes the Care Shelter is full and people are having to be turned away. The good news is that the capacity will increase when we move to *Diadem* in Stenhouse later this month. The staff team are always amazed by the acts of kindness that our guests show to one another.

One particularly busy night, an older man arrived to discover that there were not currently any beds available. He was advised to wait to see if anyone left by the time the lights go out and he enjoyed a good, hot meal in the meantime. Another guest spotted him waiting and asked the staff, “Is that man not getting in?” The staff explained that currently the Care Shelter was full but the man was waiting to see if a bed would become available. On hearing this, he gathered up his belongings and announced that he would leave. “I’m not having an old man sleeping on the streets,” he said, “He can have my bed!” He was given a sleeping bag and thanked profusely for his generosity and kindness. The older man was very grateful to have somewhere safe and warm for the night and was soon gently snoring in his bed. It’s amazing that someone who has so little would give up all that they do have – their bed for the night – for a complete stranger.

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: Pat Marin, Margaret Jackson, Mary Fairbairn

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Elizabeth Marinello, Leo Stone

St John’s :-

Jan.5:- Jessie Handren (2009); James Bannon (1999); Douglas Shannon (1992); Joseph & Isobel Simpson (1989); Renee McMartin (1984); John J McWilliams (1958); Kathleen McGovern (1940); Jan.6:- Rita Scott (1997); James Huntly (1946); John Christie; Mary Gralton; James McNamara; James Meehan; Jan.7:- Kathleen Fusco (2010); William Turnbull (1995); Jan.8:- Brigid T Stuart (2005); Hugh Robertson (2003); William Birrell (2002); Charmaine McIntyre (1997); Alexander Gilroy (1974); Jan.9:- Les Garvin (2015); Anne Hughes (2011); Leo J Stone (1958); Jan.10:- Frank Davey (1999); Andrew Durkin (1991); Andrew Blaney (1958); Jan.11:- Betty Peddieson (2007); Donald Montgomery (2004); James Clarke (1933);

St. Mary Magdalene’s

Jan.5:- Ronald Forrester (2011); Jan.6:- Margaret Hay (2000); Jane Newman (1995); Jan.7:- Elizabeth Marinello (2013); Jan.8:- Daniel McGlynn (2003); Marco DeMarco (1975); Jan.10: Alex. McEwan (1997)

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 McPhilipps, 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: Ed Collins, Margaret Walker, Ellen Kelly, Joanna Lamb, Jimmy Loughran, Pez Nye, Hazel Marshall, Joseph Jordan, Nora Hanratty, Sr Veronica Marshall, James Clerk, Fr Stephen Muir, 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, 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, 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, Patricia Davies.

	ST MARY MAGDALENE	ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
Offertory Collections		
30 January	£322.84 (including £66.09 gift aid)	£778.23 (including £343.75 gift aid)
Christmas Offering	£571.69 (including £162.00 gift aid)	£2852.90 (including £1040.05 gift aid)
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>		

ST MARY MAGDALENE

	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
6 January	Willie Montgomery & Emma Dewer	Peggy Ferguson
13 January	Eileen Igoe & Catrina McGillivray	Jennifer Morris

THANK YOU FROM ST MARY MAGDALENE'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY



Una Gallagher writes: 'Thank you to everyone who baked, bought and ate to make the Children's Liturgy Cake and Bauble such a great success! We raised the amazing sum of £210 which has gone to help feed the Homeless through the Bethany Night Shelter Project.

Thank you too for your generosity in providing warm hats, scarves and socks for the Homeless on Christmas morning.'

£	<p>Congratulations to the December winner – no. 140 – Una Gallagher who won £25.00</p> <p>Congratulations to the £200 winner – no. 30 – Jean McInally</p> <p>If you are interested in joining this Club, please contact Madge and Rob Moyes direct.</p>	200 Club Draw
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The Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh Catholic Directory for 2019 now on sale at the back of both churches - price £2.50

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Saturday 12 January	J Roarty, M Gorrie, J Plews	Sunday 13 January	E Buckley, E Fertini, P Connarty, C Dempsey, C Lauder
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Maria Igoe writes:-

- 'The next Charity Coffee Morning will be held on Monday 7 January after Mass. Donations will be given to 'Sightsavers'. Please come along.
- 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.'

George Mackay Brown - Epiphany Poem

The red king
Came to a great water. He said,
Here the journey ends.
No keel or skipper on this shore.

The yellow king
Halted under a hill. He said,
Turn the camels round.
Beyond, ice summits only.

The black king
Knocked on a city gate. He said,
All roads stop here.
These are gravestones, no inn.

The three kings
Met under a dry star.
There, at midnight,
The star began its singing.

The three kings
Suffered salt, snow, skulls.
They suffered the silence

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 5 January	10.00am – Mass - Vera Hegarty 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – Mary Gillon and Dorothy Schnur	
Sunday 6 January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - SOLEMNITY	9.30am:- Mass – Margaret Delaney	11.15am:- Mass – People of the Parish
Monday 7 January	10.00am:- Mass – Alfred Thorpe 6.00pm–7.00pm: - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tuesday 8 January	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	9.25-55am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass: - Ellen Barker
Wednesday 9 January	10.00am:- Requiem Mass for Palmina Crolla	
Thursday 10 January	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	6.45pm:- Mass – Anne Burns
Friday 11 January	9.00am–9.55am: - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am – Deceased members of the McCartan family 3.00pm: - Divine Mercy Devotions	
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

Before the first word.

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