

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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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.



There will be second collection in aid the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund this weekend.

Fr Chris Heenan, the Secretary of the Fund, writes: 'The Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund of the Archdiocese provides support for our 25 retired priests with one of the main sources of income for the fund being the amounts received from the Special Collections. Please remember to pray for those priests who have served us well and be as generous as you can.'

Gift Aid envelopes will be provided and if you pay tax please consider gift aiding your donation by completing one of the envelopes with your offering inside the envelope. Thank you for your generosity.'

Today, Sunday, between 1 and 5pm THERE IS A PICNIC FOR PARISHIONERS OF THE FIVE CLUSTER PARISHES AT THE CISTERCIAN ABBEY OF NUNRAW (near Garvald, East Lothian) – the five parishes are St Mary Magdalene's, St John's, St Teresa's, St Ninian's and St Mary, Star of the Sea. Catherine McAnenny writes: 'A bring and share picnic – Coach travel cost £5 for adults and £2 for children - it was a very enjoyable event last year and it would be great to see as many people – including families going. The bus will be leaving St John's at 12.30pm prompt.'

Wednesday 31 May, The Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to her cousin Elizabeth, **is the Annual Day for Life.** The theme this year is 'The evil of Human Trafficking – Modern Slavery.' There is a leaflet in with this newsletter, and there is a special collection linked with the Day – which this year will go towards furthering the work of the Santa Marta Group formed by Pope Francis. The group 'seeks to combine the efforts of those who in Church and state strive to protect those vulnerable ones with the force of Law and the Grace of God's universal love for all.' **The Collecton will be taken up next Sunday (Sunday 3 June)**

ST JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL – OPEN DAY (FRIDAY) AND SUMMER FAIR (SATURDAY)

Barbara Service, the Head Teacher, writes: 'This Friday 1 June and Saturday 2 June, there will be an opportunity for a last look around St John's old building: on Friday, between 10am and 3pm, there will be displays of photographs and songs from the pupils in the morning. Our annual Summer Fair takes place on Saturday 2 June from 10am till 1pm. All most welcome..'

THE ANNUAL ST MARGARET PILGRIMAGE – Next Sunday 3 June

From 11am visit sites associated with St Margaret's Life...1.45pm. Gather at Pittencrieff Park gates for procession ...3pm Mass at St Margaret's Memorial Church. For more information – www.stmargaretsdunfermline.co.uk

THIS WEEK

Saturday 26 May

12 midday-3pm – St Martin's, Magdalene Drive (EH15 3DE) – **OPEN DAY - St Martin's Parish Church Opens Its Doors** - Refreshments provided

1pm – St John's - **Wedding of Grant Lennox and Dany Walker**

2.30pm – May Rosary Procession

‘The Procession will begin at 2.30pm from the Convent of the Missionaries of Charity, 18 Hopetoun Crescent, EH7 4AY and end with the crowning of Our Lady in St Mary’s Cathedral. All welcome.’

Sunday 27 May

Nunraw Abbey - CLUSTER PICNIC

6pm – St John’s Hall – Inter-Church Youth Group Meeting

Tuesday 29 May – 7pm – Gillis Centre - Launch of the Diocesan Pro-Life Office - with Archbishop Cushey, and a guest presentation by John Deighan, Chief Executive of SPUC Scotland.

Thursday 31 May – 7pm – St Mary Magdalene’s – Reconciliation Service for First Communicants – and rehearsal for those making their First Communion at St Mary Magdalene’s

Friday 1 June

9.30am – Holyrood Park – **Fresh Start Sponsored Walk**

10am-1pm – St John’s Primary School – **OPEN DAY**

1.30pm — St John’s - Requiem Mass for Maureen Collie

Friday 1 June/Saturday 2 June – St Mary’s, Leith – Enneagram Weekend for Cluster Pastoral Councils

Saturday 2 June

10am-1pm – St John’s School – **Summer Fair**

10 am-1 pm – St John’s Church Hall – **Pamoja Fashion**

10.30am - Parish House - **Lectio Divina** – Everyone Welcome

IN THE COMING WEEKS:

Sunday 3 June

9.30am – St John’s – **Mass with baptism of Louis Crowther**

The Annual Summer Pilgrimage to St Margaret’s, Dunfermline (see Noticeboard below)

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **First Communions**

Monday 4 June

10am – St John’s – **Requiem Mass for David Codling (tbc)**

7.30pm – St Mary Magdalene’s Hall – **Six monthly Eucharistic Ministers’ Meeting.**

7.30pm – Lauriston Hall - **Brian Purfield** will speak on ‘**The Gospel of Creation: Reflections from St Francis of Assisi and Pope Francis.**’

Tuesday 5 June – 7.30pm - Mayfield Salisbury Church - Edinburgh Newman Circle AGM and Party.

‘Join us for our final meeting of the season, to celebrate a further successful year of talks and to contribute ideas for the future of the Edinburgh Circle. All are welcome.’

Sunday 10 June –

9.30am – St John’s – **First Communions**

11.30am (NB Change of Time) – St Mary Magdalene’s – Sunday Mass.

7pm – St Mary Magdalene’s - **St Mary Magdalene Open Parish Meeting**

Friday 15 June – 7-9pm – St John’s Church – Charity Piano and Choir Concert (see noticeboard below for further details)

Saturday 16 June – 3-5pm – St John’s Church Hall – ‘The Amazing Peter Pepper’ (for 3-8yr olds) – See Noticeboard below.

Saturday 23 June – 7.30pm – Canongate Kirk – St Andrew Camerata (Directed by Vincent Wallace) - Johannes Brahms’ Ein Deutsches Requiem. Tickets £12 (conc £8) – available in advance from Usher Hall Box Office – www.usherhall.co.uk – 0131 228 1155

NOTICEBOARD

Fr Jock is away midweek with his priests' support group on their annual break away together – so **Canon Andrew Monaghan** will kindly be celebrating Mass between Tuesday and Thursday... 'sadly, Fr Jeremy Bath, one of the five members of the group, is unable to be with us as his mother, Elizabeth, is seriously ill. Please pray for them both and for Jeremy's father, Julian. And please remember the group – we all live by ourselves, often with increasing responsibilities – and this time away together is important for talking, relaxing, praying, and laughing....'

**DON'T
MISS OUT!**

FIGHT THE FAMINE - A CHARITY MUSICAL CONCERT – 7pm on Friday 15 June in St John's Church – with Fr Elephtherios, the Russian Choir, and the St John's and St Mary's Leith Primary School Choirs

The Greek Orthodox Priest and Classical Pianist, Father Elephtherios, will be back for another Piano and Choir Concert performing this time with the St John's and St Mary's, Leith, Primary School Choirs plus the Russian Choir. This concert is free **but there will be an opportunity to donate on the night to the Yemen Relief Fund - The United Nations Refugee Agency is appealing for emergency funds to help tackle this major humanitarian catastrophe. There will be free refreshments and nibbles during the interval.**

A VISIT FROM PETER PEPPER MAGICIAN AND ENTERTAINER



Catherine McAnenny writes: 'We have organised a fabulous treat for the children, the amazing **Peter Pepper**, magician & entertainer is coming to **St John's Hall** on **Saturday 16 June** from 3pm to 5pm for 3-8 year olds. Tickets will be £4 per child & will include a drink and a snack. Tickets will be on sale after Mass at both churches in the coming weeks or alternatively contact me on 07968970159.' Spaces will be limited so get your ticket early to avoid disappointment! All welcome



Portobello Craft & Chat Group

'Do you want to learn how to knit, crochet, stitch? Or perhaps you would like to try embroidery? Maybe you already know your craft but would like to have company while you create. Then come along to join our Royal Voluntary Service Craft & Chat Group which meets every Monday from 10am – 12 noon at the Cake & Candy Tearoom, 127 Portobello High Street. Even if you don't feel like taking part in any craft activities, we can assure you a warm welcome and great company. For more information contact Denise Young on 07787 272860 or

denise.young@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk'

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**.

- With one week remaining of **SQA Exams**, we thank you for your prayers for all S4-6 pupils who will sit SQA exams over the next week. We look forward to welcoming our senior pupils back to school for their respective **Induction Programmes**, S5 on Mon 4 June and S6 on Tuesday 5 June.
- Our S4 pupils who are being presented for 5 or more National 4 exams have completed week 2 of the "**Meaningful May Programme**" involving a visit to the Apex Hotel to learn more about the hospitality industry, a Fitness Challenge and sessions from Investment 20/20 as well as Barclays and many other in-house led activities. Pupils will achieve the **SQA Personal Development Award** and **SQA Steps to Work Group Award** on successful completion of the programme.
- A group of S1-3 pupils visited **Piershill Library** with our school librarian in order to introduce them to new and different genres of fiction and extend their literary opportunities.
- Next week, we have a number of planned **Primary Transition Events** as we look forward to welcoming our Cluster P6 and P7 pupils to Holy Rood. On Tues 29 May, pupils from St John's, St Mary's and St Francis will participate in a **Quidditch Tournament** and compete for a Championship Trophy whilst on Wed 30 May, all Cluster P6 pupils and their parents have been invited to participate in a **STEM DAY** with exciting activities led by our teachers of Science and Design, Engineering and Technology.

Please follow us on twitter @HolyRoodRCHigh'

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: David Codling, Edith Lautner, Catherine Hall, Mary Sue Vineyard

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Brendan Boyle, Maria Crolla

St John's :

May 26:- Maureen Anne McElroy (2003); Charles McLauchlan Sen.(1969); Jane Clarke (1957); May 27:- Sarah Christie (2013); Catherine McCann (2001); Sarah Black (1990); John Gallagher (1981); Jane Sweeney; May 28:- Margaret Power (1999); Mary-Ann Donoghue (1980); Wilhelmina Baxter (1974); Elizabeth Birnie (1943); May 29:- John Broadley (1985); May 30:- Angela Morga (2001); Alexander McCraw (1979); May 31:- John Gorrie (1993); David Devlin (1968); June 1 :- Margaret McCluskey (2008); Thomas M Henderson (1985); Carmine Demarco(1977); Catherine McCann (1972);

St. Mary Magdalene's :

May 26:- Michael Rooney (1994); May 27:- James McGovern (1991); May 30:- Tony Notarangelo (2016); Bridget Boyle (1995); June 1 :- Mary Dickson (1974);

Please pray for the sick of our sister parishes, including

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Lena Mancini, Eddie Clark, Kate Walsh, Anna Butler, Rose Thornton, Mary Phair, Alan Lugton, Mary Glancy, Cathy McGravie, Jean McCraw, Joan Howie, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Kitty Dykes, Ernie Moran, Norman Telfer, Philip Jamieson, Maimie Richards, Patricia Lawler, Aodhan Dempsey, Helen Hanlon, Tina Cupo, Pat Hunter, David Thom snr, 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,, Lorraine Syme.

Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's: Jimmy Kesson, Michael McPhillipps, Jane Skey, Kate Neilson, Tracey Moohan, Agnes Harvey, 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: Martin Doherty, John Clark, Michael Calvey, Maureen Connolly, Joseph Jordan, Allan Crombie, Fred and Diana Hibbert, Sr Helen McLaughlin, Jean Nelson, Joseph Daly, Vic Legrix, Vera Hegarty, Hew Dalrymple, 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, Anne-Marie Bevan, Ellen Green, Mario Chianto, Caroline Narrie, Kathleen McConnell, Jake Jordan (aged 19), 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		
20 May	£284.85 (inc £102.00 gift aid)	£984.43 (inc £416.80 gift aid)
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>		

ST MARY MAGDALENE		
Readers for Sunday		Bidding Prayers
27 May	Willie Montgomery & Anne Jabir	Aileen Hall
3 June	First Holy Communion	
200 Club Draw	If you are interested in joining this Club, please contact Madge and Rob Moyes direct.	



Jeremy Devlin-Thorp writes: ‘**Tricia and I** want to say a huge thank you to everyone who came along and packed out the hall for our Music for You concert last Saturday night. The event raised £440 on the night, plus an additional £110 of donations from people who couldn’t make the concert. This fantastic sum will allow us to provide more house concerts free of charge for people who are housebound or socially isolated. You have all been so generous, thank you.’

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Saturday 2 June	J Roarty, O Brooks, J Martin	Sunday 3 June	E White, A Tanzi, B Gallagher, M Iannarelli, E Buckley
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Mary Glancy ‘would like to thank Fr Jock for the Mass and Blessing bestowed on the occasion of her 100th birthday. Many thanks to everyone for their good wishes, cards and Mass Cards received on this very special birthday.’

The following letter was received recently from a parishioner of All Saints, Coatdyke Coatbridge, Margaret McSorley: ‘I attended the “Rosary around the Coast” and had the privilege of visiting your beautiful church and sampling the hospitality of the ladies of your parish. I had to write to tell you that yours is the most beautiful church I have ever visited.....thank you for keeping your church open and welcoming.’

Cycle Rack – there is a cycle rack at the side of the church (Sandford Gardens). All cyclists are warmly invited to use this facility.



Closing the Church – it would be greatly appreciated if we could recruit one or two more people to help with closing the church in the evenings. If you are interested in assisting with this please do get in touch with Fr Jock or with Christina Vinestock.

Maria Igoe writes:

- ‘May Devotions will be said at Our Lady's Altar after Mass on Mondays and Wednesdays during May. The Pro-life Rosary will continue on Fridays.
- Due to parishioners being on holiday, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday evenings is suspended for the moment. It will recommence on Monday 4 June at 7pm.’

Forgiveness

To look forward, to want life, means we have to be willing to look backwards and become more conscious of all those who have hurt us, all that is broken in us and that has brought us inner deaths, hurts that we may have hidden and stifled. It means that we acknowledge the story of our origins, of our own lives, see and accept our brokenness and the times we also have hurt others. When we have accepted who we are and what we need in order to grow in compassion and peacemaking, we can move forward to give life. To forgive is a gift of God that permits us to let go of our past hurts.

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 26 May St Philip Neri - Memorial	10.00am:- Mass – Douglas Murison 10.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – Brendan Boyle	
Sunday 27 May SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	9.30am:- Mass – People of the Parish	11.15am:- Mass – John Prior Jnr
Monday 28 May	10.00am: - Mass (SI – 100 th birthday) [No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament]	
Tuesday 29 May	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	9.25am-9.55am:- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.am:- Mass
Wednesday 30 May	10.00am – Mass – Annie Roden	
Thursday 31 May THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - FEAST	10.00am – Eucharistic Service	10.00am:- Mass – SI
Friday 1 June St Justin - Memorial	9.00am–9.55am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Eucharistic Service 1.30pm – Requiem Mass for Maureen Collie 3pm: - Divine Mercy Devotions	
Saturday 2 June	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service 6.30pm:- Mass – Maria Crolla	
Sunday 3 June SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	9.30am:- Mass – People of the Parish	11.15am:- Mass –