

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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33rd Sunday of the Year – 18 November 2018

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 Sunday 18 November is the World Day for the Poor

Fr Basil Clark, the Vicar Episcopal for Caritas, Justice and Peace, writes: **'Pope Francis has instituted the 32nd Sunday of the year as The World Day for the Poor.** This year our Archdiocese is seeking to support **the Sisters of Mercy and the Missionaries of Charity** in their work with homeless and marginalised people. **A special collection will be taken to support their work.** Leaflets are at the back of the church giving further information of the Day for the Poor and the Charities concerned.'

As part of our celebrations, **Gift Thompson and Emma Wood** will speak at all our Masses about **the inspirational STEKA Children's Home in Malawi** (the second poorest country in the world), for whom our two parishes are seeking to fundraise to build a Vocational Skills Centre to help the children to learn a trade.

We have been aiming to raise £11,000 – the total raised so far is £6,087 (which excludes £1,400 which was donated by a parishioner to cover Gift's travel and visa costs).

The main sources of this are as follows:- Collection at David Codling's funeral - £604; Winetasting event - £430; Fashion Sale - £250; Balance from surplus of Parishes' Fayre - £3803; Donation from the family of a couple married at St John's last year - £1000. The £604 has already been paid out via J&P. This leaves a balance of almost £5,500 – a cheque for which will be presented to Emma and Gift at the weekend.

A cheque for £600 for the Bethany Night Shelter Meals (the other recipient of the proceeds of the Parishes' Fayre) will also be presented at the end of our our Masses to a member of the Justice and Peace Group.

TWO OPEN PARISH MEETINGS in the coming 8 days – the most important meetings for our parishes in the year - this Sunday for St John's at 7pm in the St J's Hall....and next Sunday, 25 November, for St Mary Magdalene's at 6pm in the St MM Hall. PLEASE DO COME – learn what is going on and play your part as we seek to find a gospel way forward for our parish communities...

MEMORIAL MASS: This Thursday 22 November, at 7pm at St Mary Magdalene's

The second of our gentle and beautiful candlelit Mass in which we remember our dead – and have the opportunity to light a candle for them.... Please place, in the box at the back of the Church, the names of anyone those you would like remembered and read out. (To ensure the Masses don't take too long the suggestion is that we limit each person to 6 names – the last of which might be – 'the Deceased Members and Relatives of the ___ Family').

A VISIT FROM MARY'S MEALS – next Saturday/Sunday 24/25 November

Fran Lawson writes: 'Mary's Meals works to provide a daily meal in school for some of the world's poorest children. Thanks to the generosity of wonderful supporters such as you, we are now reaching more than 1.3 million children every school day in 17 countries. You can assist us by donating any unwanted clothing (including belts/bags/shoes) or household textiles (including curtains/bedding) **BUT NO DUVETS OR PILLOWS!** Recycling the textiles generates money to help feed hungry children. Last year, the textile collections raised more

than £160,000. A few bin bags filled with textiles could generate enough funds to feed a child with Mary's meals for an entire school year (£13.90).

Our volunteers will be visiting your parish next weekend. We will also be selling raffle tickets after all the Masses that weekend. Tickets cost £1 each.

PLEASE NOTE: The van will collect textiles after the Sunday morning Masses only! We regret we are unable to uplift bric-a-brac and cannot collect any donations in the evenings or from home addresses. Also be aware we do not go through the bags so please only include the items listed above.'

Invitation to a Fundraising Concert for 'Music for You' - St John's Church Hall, 7.30pm, Saturday 24 November:

'Following the success of their fundraising concert in May, Tricia Whyatt and Jeremy Devlin-Thorp are returning to offer another evening of musical variety on piano, harp and voice. As 'Music for You', Tricia and Jeremy take music into the homes of the elderly or housebound to brighten their day. Since July last year they have given 25 'house concerts' and they are constantly receiving requests from people who live locally in their own homes. House concerts are given entirely free of charge. All funds raised this evening will go towards paying Tricia and Jeremy, who are both professional musicians, thus enabling them to bring music and joy to even more elderly or socially isolated people. Bring a bottle, we will provide soft drinks, snacks, tea, coffee and cake.'

NEXT SUNDAY IS NAMETAG SUNDAY...

THE NEXT BAPTISMAL COURSE is at 7pm on Wednesday 5 and 12 December in the Parish House....to register for it, please contact Fr Jock

THIS WEEK

Saturday 17 November

10am-midday – St Martin's, Magdalen Drive – **St Martin's Autumn Fayre** – Entry Free: Crafts, Home Baking, Adult and Children's Tombola, Jewellery, Water or Wine.

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

11am-3.30pm – Gillis Centre – **'Preparing for the Year of Saint Luke: A Day with Fr Andrew Garden.'**

Sunday 18 November – 7pm – St John's Hall – OPEN PARISH MEETING

Monday 19 November –

10am – St Mary Magdalene – **Requiem Mass for George Hancock**

7.30pm – St John's Hall – The third of our **Eucharistic Minister Training Evenings**

Wednesday 20 November – 11.15am – Mount Vernon – The burial of Annie Rodden's ashes.

Thursday 22 November

10.45am – Parish House – **Pastoral Team Meeting**

7pm – St Mary Magdalene's – **Memorial Mass**

7.30pm – Lauriston Centre - **Catherine Pepinster - 'Can you hear us from the back? Thoughts on how the people of the Church are coping with Crises'** - Entry by donation.'

(A New Series at the Lauriston Centre on *'The Present State of the Church'* - in response to the high profile crisis in the Catholic Church worldwide, The Lauriston Jesuit Centre will host two talks to explore the impact this has had on the United Kingdom. Our first talk will be presented by Catherine Pepinster - former editor of The Tablet and broadcaster - and will discuss how ordinary Catholics are coping with the crisis. Our second talk will be presented by Austen Ivereigh - author of *The Great Reformer: Francis and the Making of a Radical Pope* - and will discuss how Pope Francis' past is guiding his response to the present.

Saturday/Sunday 24/5 November – Visit of Mary's Meals

Saturday 24 November

10am-12noon - St Mark's Episcopal Church - **Christmas Fair and Coffee Morning** (Free Admission – Home baking – Craft Stalls – Children's Crafts – Books)

10.45am – Craigmillar Park Cemetery – **Blessing of Winifred Maughan's Gravestone**

11.15am – St John’s – **Baptism of Lucy Valeria March**

7.30pm – St John’s Hall – **A Fundraising Concert for ‘Music for You’ with Jeremy Devlin-Thorp and Tricia Whyatt**

Sunday 25 November – Nametag Sunday

9.30am – St John’s - P4 ‘Do this in Memory’ Mass – **Prayer partner ‘meet and greet’**

11.15am St Mary Magdalene – **P3 Signing of the Cross & Children’s Mass**

6pm – St Mary Magdalene’s Hall – **OPEN PARISH MEETING**

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Tuesday 27 November -7.30pm - Mayfield Salisbury Church - The Edinburgh Circle of the Newman Association – Christianity in Action (see Noticeboard below)

Thursday 29 November - 7.30pm – Lauriston Centre, Lauriston St - **Austen Ivereigh - ‘A Pope under pressure: Lessons from Pope Francis’ past that are guiding his response to the present.’**

Sunday 2 December

3pm - St Andrew Square Gardens Nativity Carol Concert (Free)

(and 9 and 16) December – 5-7pm – Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Rd, Edinburgh EH9 1BB – **FAITH, HOPE,**

LOVE – Advent Talks for Young adults given by Archbishop Leo Cushley –

Talk/Questions/Exposition/Confession, Night Prayer, and Benediction - the Evening ends with Pizza and Refreshments

Monday 3 December – 2.30pm – St John’s – **Mass of Healing**

Wednesday 2 (and 9) December – 7.30pm – Parish House – **Baptismal Preparation Course**

Saturday 8 December – 10am-1pm – St Mary’s, Leith - **CLUSTER ADVENT RETREAT with Fr William Pearsall SJ**

Monday 10 December – 7pm – St John’s Hall – **Parish Fayre Get Together Review & Plan Ahead meeting (with a little party attached!)**

NOTICEBOARD

Prayer Partner ‘Meet & Greet’ - 9.30am – St John’s - Sunday 25 November

Arlene Lauder writes: ‘Next Sunday 25 November at St John’s at the 9.30am Mass, there will be an opportunity to meet the children whom you are praying for as a Parish Prayer Partner. After Mass the children will be with the Sacramental team and their families in the Hall and it would be lovely if you as a Prayer Partner were able to join us and meet your young person whilst enjoying a cup of tea and a sticky bun. Any questions or enquiries, please contact me on 07950880833 or email her on lauder.82@btinternet.com’

2018/19 First Communicants and their Prayer Partners

First Communicant	Prayer Partners
Daniel Baranski	Gena Gallagher & Evlynn Roarty
Jerzy Cichocki	Eliza Veitch & Violet Paterson
Leo Cochrane	Mary Iannarelli & Gordon Hunter
Fletcher Creanor	Kim O’Neil & Michal Tansey
Vittorio Crolla	Lucia Crolla & Bozena Tansey
Jay Demarco	Alessia Crolla & Rosalind MacKay
Oona Fraser	Valeria Crolla & Jackie Plews

First Communicant	Prayer Partners
Imogen McClory	Lora Gilhooly & Joyce Martin
Murray McKenzie	Dave Connarty & Anna Rekowska
Cara Murray	John Lauder & Eileen Igoe
Aoife O’Hanlon	Family Fitzgerald & Pat Marin
Alessio Pacitti	Julie Harris & Peggy Ferguson
Rachel Payne	Chris Vinestock & Kath Zoltie
Lewis Philbin	Polly Conarty & Mary Cole

Clarissa Garcia Sancho Heenev	Frances Paterson & Maureen Watson
Elise Kazimoglu	Jeremy Devlin-Thorp & Maureen Newall
Mhairi Keast	Charlotte Lauder & Betty Dougal
Noah Kelly	Catherine McAnenny & Jennifer Morris
Alicja Lewinska	Colette Dempsey & Maria Pacitti
Victoria Liszka	Marie Sinclair & Isabel Forbes

Adrian Rot	Gift Thompson & Madge Moyes
Ayda Sivell	Patrick Shannon & Theresa Spence
Blaine Turnbull	Barbara Laydon & Bronagh Power
Daniel Wallace	Willie Montgomery & Michael Camilleri
Frankie Weddell	Enrico Fertini & Gary Zoltie
Maria Ziemska	Shelia Tansey & Aileen Hall

A NEWMAN SOCIETY EVENING - Tuesday 27 November

'The Edinburgh Circle of the Newman Association continues its its new season of talks on Tuesday 27 November 2018 in Mayfield Salisbury Church at 7.30pm with **Christianity in Action: A panel discussion with St Catherine's Project for the Homeless, L'Arche and Pregnancy Counselling and Care (Scotland)**. All warmly welcome to come along. A donation is requested to cover our costs.'



CHRISTMAS FAIR TRADE STALL

Saturday/Sunday 1 & 2 & 8 & 9 Dec before and after Mass at St John's.
The Justice and Peace Group welcome your support for Fair Trade products.

A LETTER OF THANKS FROM KATHLEEN TREACY

(Sts Leonard & Fergus and St Columba Mary's Meals Group, Dundee):

Dear Father Jock and parishioners,

On behalf of our Mary's Meals group I write to say a very big "Thank you" to you and the many parishioners who regularly send cash and backpack items via Phyllis McLeay in support of our Mary's Meals work. Our group began about 10 years ago when we started fundraising to build our first school/kitchen, Satema, in Malawi. The £6,000 needed for the building seemed to be raised without much difficulty so we continued fundraising and raised a further £7,000 to build our second school/kitchen, Mthumba, also in Malawi. Between the two schools, more than 2,000 pupils are being educated and receive a daily meal.

Though attracted to school by the daily meal, attendance can be made very difficult by poverty - no clothing, no school materials, no hygiene materials so we fill backpacks of very basic essentials for the Mary's Meals charity to transport to pupils attending schools.

Mary's Meals started delivering meals to the schools in 2002 and began delivering backpacks in 2005. To date 500,000 backpacks have been delivered and we are delighted that our wee group has contributed 10,5007 filled backpacks to that number. Our success is only made possible by donations and contributions from a wide geographical area - Aberdeen, Kincardine, Angus, Fife, Perth, Edinburgh and of course all parts of Dundee and we are very grateful to all the groups and individuals for every donation as they help each pupil make the most of the education on offer.

Phyllis brings car loads of backpack items from your parishioners every time she comes through to Dundee and I pray thanksgiving for their generosity.

Our first backpacking effort (2008) generated 33 filled bags. Since then we have streamlined the process, made friends with all local shopkeepers, become skilled in seeking bargains online and elsewhere, plagued shop managers for bulk-buy discounts and made lots of like-minded friends. Thank you so much for all your generosity and consideration of others. May you be rewarded with good health and peace of mind.'



Fresh Start - Cookers for Christmas Appeal - A message from the Justice and Peace Group – 'For someone getting a home for the first time, Fresh Start want to provide a brand new cooker, fully fitted by their trained team. Any small donations to this appeal will go towards providing someone with a cooker that will make a real difference to their festive period and beyond. Donate via freshstartweb.org.uk/donate or by cheque to Fresh Start, 22-24 Ferry Road Drive, EH4 4BR.'

St. Andrew's Children's Society - Adoption and Foster Care

There are many children across Scotland who need stable, loving families to care for them on a long term or permanent basis. Their birth families are not able to provide the nurturing or safe environment that would allow them to flourish and become confident and well balanced adults. Could you provide the stability and love these children deserve? Would you like to hear more about whether adopting or fostering a child could be an option for you? Contact us on 0131 454 3370 or info@standrews-children.org.uk

Assisi 2019 'Relief Group' – 'Rev Tom Cuthell's 2019 Assisi Group is now full. In fact there is a waiting list lest there be any cancellations. This has led Tom to explore the possibility of organizing a second group - a so-called 'Relief Group' limited to 16 people. Lasting a week the stay in Assisi will be from Saturday 14 September to Saturday 21 September 2019. The group will travel BA from Edinburgh to Florence direct, with very attractive flight schedules (no getting up in the middle of the night!!) For further information contact Tom on:- tcuthell@gmail.com or:phone [0131 476 3864](tel:01314763864).'

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.

- Our Head Teacher, Mrs Legrix, and two of the School Captains, Neve Kellacher and Jack Rogers, represented the school at a **reception hosted by John Swinney (MSP)** in Edinburgh Castle to mark the centenary of the 1918 Education Act (Scotland). This event marked 100 years of denominational schools being part of the state education system.
- A group of S5 pupils attended **Craigmillar Book Festival Event**, where Scottish Performance Poet, Leyla Josephine, showcased some of her poetry and then ran a Poetry Workshop specifically aimed at **Higher/Advanced Higher English pupils**.
- 5 pupils achieved the Bronze Award in the **National Senior Maths Challenge** – a fantastic achievement, well done to all who participated.
- After a successful start with numeracy and literacy workshops in weeks one and two, week three of our **Family Learning Workshops** involved our parents and pupils being challenged to an Active Evening. Families participated in teambuilding activities and enjoyed the challenges presented to them.
- **Date for your diary:-**
S5/6 Parents' Meeting – Tuesday 27 November 6-8pm. We encourage pupils to attend this meeting with parents to engage in the dialogue about learning and next steps.
S2 Information Evening – Tuesday 11 December 6pm. Important information regarding the pupil review of learning and course choices for S3.

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

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: George Hancock, Michael Reynolds, Mairi McRae, Iain Curren and David Anderson

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Jude Payne, Sally Stone, Domenico Fertini, Winifred Maughan, Hugh Campbell O'Neill, Josephine Connelly, William and Mary McPartlin and Clare Boyne.

St John's

Nov. 17:- George Hooper (2014); Winifred Thomson (1997); Helen Flynn (1992); Nov. 18:- Fr. Gerry Jackson (1996); James P Meehan (1990); Annie Danial (1978); John Hartnett (1967); Harry Lawler (1965); Francis Flynn; Nov. 19:- James Flannigan; Charles I Jamieson (1948); Ella Flynn; Nov. 20:- Sally Stone (2003); Peter Rennie (1987); Elizabeth Durkin (1973); Alice McAuley (1935); Nov.21:- Jude Payne (2015); Andrew Stevenson (2003); Hugh Campbell [9yrs] (2000); Patrick Ginnelly (1984); Alfred Sivell; Nov. 22:- Mary R Stewart (2006); Patrick Loftus (1985); Daniel Holligan (1922); Fred Aitken; Mr & Mrs Donlevy; Mary Greig; Nov. 23:- John McGrory (1997); William McPartlin (1997); Rose Ann Kane (1989); Thomas McFadyen;

St. Mary Magdalene's

Nov. 19:- John Murphy (1967); Nov. 21:- Mrs Durkin (1974); Nov. 23:- Annie Fitzsimmons (1999);

Please pray for the sick of our sister parishes, including

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Palmina Crolla, 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, Aodhan Dempsey, 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, 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: 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, Vera Hegarty, Hew Dalrymple, 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		
11 November	£394.94 (including £157.00 gift aid)	£994.27 (including £358.50 gift aid)
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>		

ST MARY MAGDALENE		
	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
18 November	Willie Montgomery & Emma Dewer	Jennifer Morris
25 November	P3 mass	

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

Welcoming our Community – St Mary Magdalene’s is now open between 1pm and 3pm each Wednesday for the **‘Computer Club’**: ‘Anyone who would like to learn how to use a computer or tablet is most welcome. Equipment is provided for you by the Community Project. Your tutor is Eduardo. The Club is aimed at complete beginners and those have some experience but want to learn more. In the future, with the help of the Community Project, we hope to offer a **‘Craft Club’** and **‘Guitar Lessons’** as well.’

The next episode of the 'Catholicism' series will be shown on Thursday 22 November at 7pm in the Parish House. - "Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven: The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist".

Autumn Fayre Get Together

Chris, Gina and Jennifer writes: ‘All volunteers are warmly invited to a “Get Together” in order to review the success of this year’s fayre and to plan ahead for 2019. This will be held in St John’s Hall on Monday 10 December at 7pm. Refreshments will be served.’

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST			
Saturday 24 November	P MacInnes, B Tansey, O Brooks	Sunday 25 November	T Burgess, M Slight, J Rynn, P Glancy, L Moran

Today Sunday at 7pm there will be one of our two Open Parish Meetings of the year – All most welcome.

S6 pupils from Holy Rood RC High who are working towards their Caritas award will be hosting the Tea and coffee after mass this Sunday. It would be good for as many people as possible to come through, meet them and show them our support....

Warm (and belated) birthday greetings to Chris Jones, 70 on 24 September (when he was on holiday in Australia!).

Would you be willing to become a member of our Parish Finance Council? If you are interested please get in touch with Fr Jock or Gary Zoltie.

Maria Igoe writes:

- ‘The next Healing Mass will be on Monday 3 December at 2.30pm. The Rosary will be said at 2.15pm and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after Mass. Please come to the Hall afterwards for refreshments.’

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 17 November St Elizabeth of Hungary - Memorial	10.00am:- Mass – Andrew Keogh 10.30am - Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – Michael Connelly	
Sunday 18 November 33rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am:- Mass – People of the Parish	11.15am:- Mass – Kate Nielson
Monday 19 November	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service 6.00-7.00pm: - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	10.00am:- Requiem Mass for George Hancock
Tuesday 20 November	10.00am:- Mass – Sally Stone	
Wednesday 21 November The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Memorial	10.00am:- Mass – Hugh Campbell O’Neill	
Thursday 22 November St Cecilia - Memorial	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	7.00pm:- Bereavement Mass - Clare Boyne
Friday 23 November	9.00am–9.55am: - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am – Mass – Mary and Andrew Smart 3.00pm: - Divine Mercy Devotions	
Saturday 24 November St Andrew Dung Lac and Companions - Memorial	10.00am:- Mass – Winifred Maughan 10.30am - Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – Josephine Connelly	
Sunday 25 November Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Solemnity	9.30am:- Mass – Linda Wisbach	11.15am:- Mass – People of the Parish

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