

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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6th Sunday of the Year – 17 February 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.



Many Congratulations to St John's parishioner, Lena Mancini, who recently (on Tuesday 2 February) celebrated her 100th birthday.



A Big "Thank You!" from SCIAF

From the Justice & Peace Group writes: 'Thank you to everyone who supported our appeal for the people of Indonesia following the devastating earthquakes and tsunamis which struck last year. Your donations have made a tremendous difference to survivors who lost everything in these tragedies. Thanks to your quick response we could send money to our sister agency Caritas Indonesia to provide food, water and shelter to survivors. The essential items your donations provide to families are a lifeline in a time of desperate need, so thank you for reaching out when it mattered most. Your support will also help to fund the long-term recovery work the community will undertake such as rebuilding roads and repairing water pipes. Together we can help return life to normal for the families who survived these tragic events. Look out also for our Lent Wee Box campaign featuring SCIAF's work with people struggling to survive in Cambodia.'

Thank you!

The next Baptismal Preparation Course will take place at 7.30pm in the Parish House on Wednesday 27 February and Wednesday 13 March.

Our three monthly Bereavement Mass will take place on Saturday 2 March at 10am at St John's – All Most Welcome

THIS WEEK

Saturday 16 February

10.45am – Parish House – **Lectio Divina – 'Prayer and Community'**

12.30pm – St John's – **Baptism of Killian Tod**

2pm-5pm - Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh EH9 1BB – **'From Grief to Grace – The Effects and Treatment of Sexual Abuse'** – 2pm -5pm at – An afternoon of reflection and engagement led by Fr Dominic Allain the International Pastoral Director of 'Grief to Grace'. Booking: grief-to-grace-tickets.eventbrite.co.uk

Sunday 17 February – 5pm – St John the Baptist Church, Corstorphine – A Remembering Service 'For those who have suffered the loss of a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, together with those who wish to come in love and support, to have time in quiet surroundings to fully recognise their

loss and help with healing....This service may be helpful to anyone who feels that they have not had the opportunity to acknowledge and grieve for their loss. Ecumenical and open to all.'

Monday 18 February – 11am-2pm – Bellfield Community Centre – **Free Community Workshop : The Big Lunch** (see noticeboard)

Saturday 23 February

10.30am - St Columba's – **Caring for Creation – Speaker: David Bethune Programme Co-ordination, Eco-Congregation of Scotland)**

11am – St Ninian's - **Thanksgiving Mass for the Golden Jubilee of the Religious Profession of Sister Joan McGuinness, Sisters of Marie Reparatrice**

Des Brogan writes: 'Cluster parishioners are warmly invited to this Mass on at St Ninian's on Saturday 23rd February at 11.00am followed by a light buffet. The Sisters of Marie Reparatrice had a Convent in Ferry Road 1904 to 1951, and Elie in Fife 1951 to 1983, then in St John's, Portobello, from 1982 to 1989 in East Brighton Crescent and West Bank Place. To help planning it would be helpful if you are planning to come that you sign up on one of the sheets at the back of both churches.'

11am-2.30pm – Blessed John Duns Scotus Centre, 270 Ballater Street, Glasgow - **'A Day with Frank Duff'** (see St John's section).


11am-3.30pm – Gillis Centre – **Day for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

'Registration at 11am – Day concludes with a Holy Hour and Confessions ending at 3.30pm. To book a place contact Anne Lamond catecheticscommissionbooking@gmail.com. Anyone planning to attend please contact either Jim Roarty or Una Gallagher.'

1pm – St John's – **Baptism of Arlo Caraffi**

6.30pm – St John's – **Mass with P4 'Do This in Memory' children.**

7.30pm - St Mary, Star of the Sea, Leith - **Race Night to raise funds for St Catherine's Convent Homeless**

 **Project** - 'a Fund Raiser is held to raise essential funds for Sr Aelred's Homeless Project, St Catherine's Convent, Lauriston, which feeds and helps clothe approximately 200 individuals per day. Tickets cost £5 and includes a hot snack of pie & beans. If you would like to Sponsor a Race the cost is £25 per race. For further information please contact Kathy Barclay, Parish Administrator on 0131 554 2482 or info@stmarysstarofthesea.org'

Sunday 24 February

10.30am - St Mary, Star of the Sea, - **Family Mass and Parish Eco event.** 'Fair trade snacks Unveiling of new artwork in the hall Plus presentations and discussion on being a more sustainable and environmentally friendly parish. All very welcome.'

1pm - leaving St John's - **Trip to Cistercian Monastery at Nunraw**

6pm – St Mark's – **Inter-Church Youth Group. (P7 to S5 – for more details, contact Fr Jock, or Natalie Kane – nataliecantlay@hotmail.co.uk)**

7pm – PJPC, I Brunstane Rd North – **Pastoral Care Course (the Second of 4 Evenings – see noticeboard below).**

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Monday 25 February

10am - St Mary Magdalene's – **Requiem Mass for Margaret Hancock**

7.00pm – St John's Hall – **P3 Reconciliation Preparation Meeting** (Children & Parents)

Wednesday 27 February (and Wednesday 13 March) – 7.30pm – Parish House – **Baptismal Preparation Course**

Friday 1 March - 10.30am - Duddingston Kirk - **World Day of Prayer** (see noticeboard below)

Saturday 2 March

10am - St John's – **Mass for the Bereaved**

10am-4pm – Carberry Estate – **A Quiet Day for Lent** (see noticeboard below)

3pm – St John's – **Wedding of Hamish Campbell and Charlotte Lawton.**

Saturday 9 March – 10am-4.15pm - Conforti Institute - **Pax Christi Event** (see noticeboard below)

Saturday 16 March – 10-1pm – St Teresa's, Craigmillar – **Lenten Retreat for our Cluster Parishes with Fr John O'Connor OP**

NOTICEBOARD

A warm welcome and our thanks to Fr Ian Wilson (Tuesday and Wednesday) and Fr Jim Smith (Thursday and Friday) covering for Fr Jock (away book-writing) this week...

ST JOHN'S CHURCH – LIGHTING REPLACEMENT

Chris Vinestock and the St John's Fabric Team write: 'Work commenced on Tuesday

5 February on the long planned renovation of our lighting - and will continue over a period of approximately 12 weeks.

During this time the church will be closed from Monday to Friday each week, reopening throughout Saturdays and Sundays providing an opportunity for private prayer, Mass will be celebrated at the normal times.



On weekdays Mass/Eucharistic Services will be held in St John's Hall –

Masses will continue as normal at St Mary Magdalene's in the Day Chapel (though on Wednesday and Thursday rather than Tuesday and Thursday)

****please always refer to Masses, Devotions and Services insert for times****

Notices will also be displayed at the front door of the Church. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused during this essential work.

On Sunday 24 February (10 and 24 March) – A Pastoral Care Course

The second of four **Evenings for Pastoral Visitors**, a course run by the Ignatian Study Centre, Glasgow for all the PACT Churches - at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church – 7-9 pm.



Catriona Fletcher and Fr David Birchell SJ of the ISC write: 'The course is aimed at those people who are based in the churches of Portobello, Duddingston, Magdalene and Bingham who are involved in visiting and pastoral care. We shall be looking at ways of making our pastoral care more effective and deeper spiritually.

Four Sunday evenings, 7pm – 9pm....Topics will include: *Our Personal Faith Journey, Listening Skills, Supporting Contemporary Families, Scriptural/Theological Basis for Pastoral Care, Being comfortable with Spiritual Conversations and Praying with others.*'

Fr Jock writes: 'If you missed the first evening, you will still be very welcome at this one...do come along – and, if possible, let me know that you plan to do so....nearly 40 folk gathered last Sunday from five different churches to enjoy a stimulating and thought provoking evening.'

An Evening at the Lauriston Centre – Monday 25 February - with Fr Xavier Jeyaraj of Jesuit Missions – 'Is Leadership too Important to be Left to Leaders?'

'Jesuit Missions welcomes Fr Xavier Jeyaraj SJ, to Lauriston Jesuit Centre, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh on Monday 25 February at 7.30pm–9.00pm to speak about how we can respond to the challenges of social justice, Care of Creation and leadership from an Ignatian perspective. Free event, all welcome' . .

World Day of Prayer – 10.30am - Friday 1 March – Duddingston Kirk

‘Every year Christians of many traditions and all ages from more than 180 countries throughout the world, come together to worship in over 1000 languages on the first Friday in March. Services are held all around the world, beginning in Tonga and New Zealand in the east and continuing throughout the day to Samoa and Alaska in the west. Duddingston Kirk will host a service at 10.30am on Friday, 1 March. This year, the service has been prepared by the women of Slovenia, one of the newest countries in Europe. “We, the women of the World Day of Prayer Committee of Slovenia heartily embrace you into this gathering.” The theme of the service is 'Come - Everything Is Ready' based on the Bible story of the man who prepared a banquet for his friends then one by one they made excuses not to come. All welcome to this ecumenical service. Refreshments will be served in the Garden Room following the service. For more information please call Anne McCrossan, 283 7193 or e-mail anne@parametersevents.co.uk’



A QUIET DAY FOR LENT - Saturday 2 March 2019 – 10am – 4pm – Carberry Tower

‘Lent is a time to take breath, to slow down, to prepare for the rollercoaster of Holy Week and Easter. The day will be punctuated with reflections and communal prayer but will mainly be a contemplative space giving time for God to speak into the passions, struggles and vulnerability of our lives. There will be an opportunity to walk in the beautiful grounds of Carberry Estate. *Availability is limited so please book as soon as possible.* Refreshments will be provided. Please bring a packed lunch. Hosted by Healthlink 360, Elphinstone Wing, Carberry, Musselburgh EH21 8PW. Facilitated by Sharon Laidlaw and Duncan Hughes of the Epiphany Group. Donations of between £5 to £30 welcome. For further details and to book dghughessc@gmail.com’

PAX CHRISTI SCOTLAND – PREPARING FOR PEACE – 9 March – Conforti Institute

Marian Pallister, Founder & Chair, ZamScotEd writes: ‘Many of you joined us for our Pax Christi Scotland event in November last year at the Conforti Institute. We hope you may be able to join us again on March 9, same venue. The invitation is open to all who may be interested in progressing peace in the home, the parish and the school.

Booking is through Anna at Conforti (anna@confortiinstitute.org) and closes on March 4. The event itself costs £12 (very generously subsidised by the Xaverians), £5 voluntary donation for students and those on low income). If you would like to stay overnight on the Friday (10am registration on the Saturday morning), the cost is £35 B & B (again, generously subsidised by the Xaverians). I will be posting the information on Facebook and Twitter - please share if you see it there in our Facebook Group. Pax Christi Scotland would be very happy to see you on 9 March.

Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation SC038694 Maria can be contacted by [✉marian.pallister@zen.co.uk](mailto:marian.pallister@zen.co.uk)
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Double your Money - Double the Love! – Mary’s Meals

A reminder that, till 1 March, all donations to Mary's Meals "Double the Love" appeal will be matched by the UK Government so for every £1 you donate, Mary's Meals will receive £2 to help children in the poorest parts of the world not only to be fed but also to be educated (or to put it another way - for every £13.90 you donate, Mary's Meals will be able to feed two children for a year). Go to marysmeals.org.uk to donate.’

Care for Carers Newsletter and Programme for Residential Breaks and Day Breaks are now available.

For further information please contact 0131 661 2077 admin@care4carers.org.uk / www.care4carers.org.uk

JOB VACANCY – ‘Disabled man requires Personal Assistant, 16 hours per week - Niddrie area. Ref: TS IMC -

The person, a parishioner of St Teresa’s, is looking for a PA to assist with independent living. He requires assistance with a variety of tasks for example, cooking, socialising, shopping, dealing with correspondence, and some personal care. The successful applicant should be a non-smoker, friendly and approachable. Please note he is a cat owner. The post is for 16 hours per week. This will be split over 4 shifts but you will be required to work on a Saturday between 10am and 3pm and the remaining hours will be worked on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. **Rate of pay: £9.18 per hour. From 1 April 2019, this should rise to, at least, £9.54.** Additional hours may be available to cover for holidays and sickness. To apply for this post, you can download an application pack; [TS IMC Application Pack 2018](#) or request a pack to be emailed or posted to you by emailing the job ref TS IMC to pajobs@lothiancil.org.uk

FREE COMMUNITY WORKSHOP – THE BIG LUNCH – Monday 18 February

Sandra Brown writes: ‘I would like to invite you or anyone else you know to attend and spread the word about our free community workshop on [The Big Lunch](#), taking place in the Bellfield Community Centre, Bellfield Road, Portobello on Monday 18 February from 11am – 2pm. The workshop will explore why The Big Lunch – whether it consists of 4 people, 400, or anything in between - is such a great thing to be part of and such a simple and enjoyable way to change your community for the better. The Big Lunch will take place across the country this year on the 1st and 2nd of June, and

we are hoping that the good folk of Portobello will to come to a friendly, celebratory halt as neighbours from all over the community take the plunge and sit down to share food, friendship and fun together. Over 40,000 people in Scotland took part in The Big Lunch last year and those who did report feeling more connected, less lonely and more empowered to make positive change where they live as a result of doing so. So please join us at our Big Lunch Community Workshop in Porty to discuss how and why you might help to organise a Big Lunch in your street, building, garden, community centre or, of course, on the beach! Please note that the workshop is for information and inspiration only and attending does not commit you to holding a Big Lunch! The last hour of the workshop will be a mini Big Lunch of our own, so please bring along something to share. Anything from salads to sandwiches to biscuits is absolutely fine. As long as it doesn't need to be heated up, it will be perfect! Teas and coffees will be provided. You can sign up using the Eventbrite link below, and please help us to spread the word by **forwarding this invitation to anyone else in the community you think might wish to attend**. Also, we would ask you to please share the link below on any social media channels you use: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-big-lunch-hits-party-workshop-tickets-55339911164>

Scottish Domestic Abuse Helpline (24 hours) : ☎️0800 027 1234

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED – FRIENDS OF SEAVIEW GARDEN



Laura Nason writes: 'Our charity, Friends of Seaview, manage a therapeutic and sensory garden at a children's respite centre. We are looking to recruit more volunteers to help us maintain the garden. We have a weekly volunteer session on Thursdays, 10am till 12pm. We will have a Volunteer Information Session on Thursday 21 March, 10am till 12pm at the Seaview Garden, 1 Bingham Avenue, EH15 3HZ. This is an opportunity for you to see the garden and centre, find out about volunteering and ask questions, meet the trustees, volunteers, gardener and staff and enjoy a cup of tea and cake in the garden. Why not bring a friend along too! If you are interested in attending this session please contact Laura Nason, Therapeutic Gardener, on 07974427522 OR email: laura.nason.gardener@hotmail.com.'

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: Margaret Hancock, Eric Bloomfield, Isobel Kelly, Myffanwy Symes

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time Kevin Crow, Una O'Reilly, Gerry Power Snr, Jane Murray, Charles Malcolm, James Stone, Margaret Cheyne and Jean Creamer

St John's :-

Feb.16:- Charles Malcolm (1993); Betty McGuire (1987); John Denning (1959); Feb.17:- Patrick Hughes (2011); May Lacey (1941); Feb.18:- Molly Carr (1997); Sarah Taylor (1965); James J Stone (1954); Gordon Bartek; Feb.19:- James Hughes (1998); Theresa Bannon (1991); Feb.20:- Margaret Wood (2001); Catherine McGovern (1970); John McCann (1915); Helen Mackersey; Feb.21:- John Meagher (1999); Michael McCreadie (1997); Feb.22:- Wanda Kosok (2015); John Dunn (2014); John Walsh (1993);

St. Mary Magdalene's :-


Feb.16:- Ellen Conway (1972); Feb.17:- David Walker (2005); Feb.18:- Alex. Cummings (2003); Barbara Rourke (1991); Feb.19:- Margaret Cheyne (2014); Feb.20:- Anne Wallace (2008); Feb.21:- Elizabeth Mulvanny (1996); Sarah O'Neill (1993); Feb.22:- Mary Robertson (2016)

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Penelope McLellan Hawkes, Jean McCraw, David Thom snr, Mary Glancy, Marie White, David Robertson, Cathy Walls, Anna Butler, Mary Phair, Carolann Cranston, Sara Alkahankni, Lena Mancini, 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, 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: Sheila Service, 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: Pat Dignan, Sharon Anderson, Igor Rekowski, Colette Woods, Emilia Iheji, Maureen Henderson, Peter Hanley, Anne Pancott, 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, 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		
10 February 2019	£246.91 (including £58.00 gift aid)	£709.15 (including £243.62 gift aid)
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>		


ST MARY MAGDALENE		
	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
17 February	Emma Dewer & Lexvi Sanchez	Jennifer Morris
24 February	Catrina McGillivray & Olaf Pusch	Peggy Ferguson
 <p>If you are not currently a member of the Gift Aid Scheme and would like to start, please do get in touch with Jean McNally who shall send you out a pack for you to complete and return.</p>		

☀ ☀ ☀ ☀ **If you have any items for the newsletter, we would be grateful if they could be handed in or emailed to the parish office by 3pm on Wednesday....Thank You!**

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST			
Saturday 23 February	J Roarty, J Martin, P Shannon	Sunday 24 February	E Clark, G Gallagher, E Veitch, P McLeay, T Burgess




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Chris Vinestock writes:- ‘Lighting Works in the Church. As you will have learnt, the Church will be closed during the week whilst the contractors are working. Please can you help us clean and prepare the Church for our weekend Masses. The cleaning will commence at 3pm on Fridays. A Volunteers Sign Up list will be at the back of the Church.’

Madge Moyes writes: ‘If you still have to pay your 200 club draw subscription please see Chris Vinestock.’



Maria Igoe writes: ‘The Legion of Mary invite all its members, active and auxiliary, and anyone who may be interested to a ' Day with Frank Duff' on Saturday 23 February in Blessed John Duns Scotus Centre, 270 Ballater Street, Glasgow. Frank Duff founded the Legion of Mary in 1921 in Dublin and he died in 1980. His cause for Beatification is before the Congregation for Saints. Because Frank wrote 33,000 letters in his lifetime, work is going on to scrutinize all these letters. Sile Ni Cochlain is Vice-Postulator for the Cause of Frank Duff and she knew Frank. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet with Sile and learn about Frank, the man, and the spirit which motivated him. The day starts at 11am and will finish with Mass at 2.30pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. If you wish further information, phone me on 669 0247.’



Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 16 February	9.00am–9.50am: - (Church) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am – Mass – Sr Theresa O’Mahony 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – (Church) – Mgr Noel Woods	
Sunday 17 February 6th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am:- Mass – (Church) People of the Parishes	11.15am:- Mass – Kevin Crow
Monday 18 February	10.00am – Mass - (Hall)– Pauline Salisbury	
Tuesday 19 February	10.00am:- Mass - (Hall) – Jane Murray	
Wednesday 20 February	10.00am:- (Prayer Room - Parish House) - Eucharistic Service	10.00am:- Mass – Gerry Power Snr
Thursday 21 February	10.00am:- (Hall) - Eucharistic Service	9.25-55am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass – Jean Creamer
Friday 22 February THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE - FEAST	10.00am – Mass – (Hall) - SI 3.00pm: - (Parish House) – Divine Mercy Devotions	
Saturday 23 February St Polycarp - Memorial	9.00am–9.50am: - (Church) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am – Mass – Vincenzo Alonzi 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – (Church) – Una O’Reilly	
Sunday 24 February 7th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am:- Mass – (Church) – SI (Lena Mancini 100 th birthday)	11.15am:- Mass - People of the Parish

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