

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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4th Sunday of Easter – 12 May 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.



This Week-End we welcome Fr Willy Slavin to celebrate our Masses – while Fr Jock baptises his great-niece Addie in Yorkshire on Saturday, and then preaches at St Martin's Church of Scotland in Magdalene Drive on Sunday. The following weekend (May18/19) we welcome **Revd Bill Wishart**, the St Martin's Minister, who will speak at all our Masses. We also welcome **Fr Jim Smith** who will be covering for Fr Jock midweek, Tuesday to Thursday, while the former is away for three days in Galloway with the four other members of his priests' support group, relaxing, sharing, praying, eating, drinking and exercising together!

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life - and there will be a **second collection for the Ecclesiastical Students Fund**. There is a Novena of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life available at the back of both churches for those kind and wise enough to pray for them...

This Sunday night there is an OPEN PARISH MEETING at 7pm at St John's in the Hall – all MOST welcome.....**Next Sunday's planned Open Parish Meeting at St Mary Magdalene's has been postponed** because of the renovation work underway in the Hall and Kitchen.

JEAN VANIER, the founder of L'Arche and Faith and Light, and an inspiration to many in our parishes died peacefully, aged 90, in Paris last Tuesday. An obituary of this quite remarkable man is included with this newsletter. We are very touched that the Edinburgh L'Arche community have asked if we might host a **live relay of Jean's funeral** at Trosly-Breuil, in Northern France, the founding L'Arche community, **this Thursday at 1pm in St John's Church. All most welcome....**

Warm wishes and the promise of our prayers go with Gift Thomson, who returns home to the STEKA Children's Home in Blantyre, Malawi, on Monday for the summer – he will be rejoining us in September for the second year of his Sociology course at Queen Margaret University.

Meanwhile, **this Friday - 17 May – there is a RACE NIGHT in St John's Hall (NB CHANGE OF VENUE)**



- Tickets £5 per person available from Madge Moyes & Catherine McAnenny (mob
- 07968970159 - on sale after all Masses at the weekend. All proceeds go to our Parishes' Outreach Project, building two Skills Centres for the children at STEKA to learn a trade –
- only 1 % of young people in Malawi have the chance to go to university.

Final call for kind people to hand in pledges and donations for Fr Jock's Lenten Steka Slim – the final figure (!) will be announced looks to be well over £500 and will be announced next week – many many thanks...

Next Saturday, there is our three monthly **Bereavement Mass** at St John's at 10am – all most welcome.

12-18 May 2019 - CHRISTIAN AID WEEK



During Christian Aid Week, Portobello Area Churches Together are once again supporting the work of Christian Aid to provide much needed healthcare facilities in poor communities in developing nations. Donation envelopes are available at the back of both Churches and can be returned in the post boxes. Thank you. Your generosity in helping Christian Aid to provide this support is much appreciated.

St John's Church will be open each day next week from 9am to 7pm – do pop in anytime.
The Work on the Lighting will restart on 20 May.



THIS WEEK

Saturday 11 May – 10.30am – Craiglockhart Campus – **Craiglockhart Centenary Reunion 2019**

Sunday 12 May – 7pm – St John's Hall – **St John's Open Parish Meeting**

Monday 13 May

(and 27th) - 2-4pm - in Willowbrae Church Hall, Jock's Lodge corner - **Singing group for People with Dementia and their Carers (Free)** - Further information from Cath Norman (0131 669 1498.)

(-10 June) – 7-9pm - **Ways of Praying Course – Musselburgh**

'This short course explores prayer for anyone seeking a prayer life that touches the inner core based on an awareness of self in relationship with God. We meet weekly 7pm-9pm at Healthlink360, Elphinstone Wing, Musselburgh EH21 8PW from Monday 13 May to 10 June.

A suggested donation for the course would be £100 but we would not want cost to be a barrier to anyone taking part. Numbers are limited so please sign up as soon as you can. For further details and to book: dghughesssc@gmail.com'

Tuesday 14 May – 7.30pm – Newman Society Edinburgh Circle Meeting – Mayfield Salisbury Church - **Michael Turnbull** – 'How Scotland's bishops implemented the Second Vatican Council – Parish Life, Liturgy and Architecture.' 'All warmly invited to attend – a donation is required to cover costs.'

Friday 17 May – St John's Church Hall (NB CHANGE OF VENUE) - **Joint Parish Race Night** (tickets on sale now)

Saturday 18 May

10am – St John's – **Bereavement Mass**

1pm – St John's – **Baptism of Serena Finlayson**

2pm – 18 Hopetoun Crescent - **A Marian Procession.**

Sister Frances writes: - 'A Marian procession will take place from 18 Hopetoun Crescent (Convent of the Missionaries of Charity) to St Mary's Cathedral. All cordially invited.'

Saturday/Sunday 18/19 May – Revd Bill Wishart of St Martin's Church of Scotland, Magdalene Drive **speaking at all Sunday Masses.**

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Sunday 19 May – 7pm – St Mary Magdalene's Hall – **The St Mary Magdalene's Open Parish Meeting on Sunday 19 May has been postponed**

Monday 20 May – 2.30pm – St Mary Magdalene's - **Healing Mass with the sacrament of the sick.** 'The Rosary will be said at 2.15pm and there will be an opportunity for The Sacrament of Reconciliation after Mass. Refreshments will be served in the porch. Everyone is welcome.'

Tuesday 21 May 2019 - 7 pm - St Mary Magdalene - **P4 First Communion meeting with opportunity to choose First Communion date – Children and Parents**

Saturday 25 May

10am - 1pm - St John's Church Hall – **STEKA Home Baking Sale with Tea & Coffee**

11 am - Parish House - **P4 Parish children First Communion preparation session**

Sunday 26 May

9.30am – St John's - **Mass with Archbishop Cushley with Rite of Candidacy for Eddie White**

3-5pm – Gillis Centre - **Archdiocesan Lourdes Day 2019**

Wednesday 29 May

7 pm – St Mary Magdalene's - **Reconciliation service for all P4 First Communion children**

7:45pm – St Mary Magdalene's - **Rehearsal for children choosing First Communion on Sunday 2nd June**

Saturday 1 June – 10.30am-4pm – Adelaide's, 209 Bath Street, Glasgow – **Open House Conference 2019**
(see **Notice Board** below)

Sunday 2 June –

11am-4pm – St Margaret's, Dunfermline – **St Margaret's Pilgrimage** (see Noticeboard)

11:15 am - St Mary Magdalene's - **Celebration of First Holy Communion**

7.30pm – PJPC (Portobello and Joppa Parish Church) – **A Question and Response Evening with Imam Hassan Rabbani – A PACT initiative** (See in Noticeboard below)

Friday 7 June – St John's, Princes St to St John's, Portobello - **Scottish Churches Housing Action Walk of Unity** (See **Noticeboard** below)

Wednesday 12 (and 19) June – Parish House – **Baptismal Preparation Course**

Thursday 13 June - 7.00 pm - St John's - **Rehearsal for children choosing First Communion on Sunday 16 June**

Sunday 23 June

11:15 am – St Mary Magdalene's - **Thanksgiving mass for all First Communicants and Prayer Partners**

3pm – **STEKA Joint Parish Sponsored Walk around Arthur Seat**

Thursday 18 July (-27 July) - **Jumbulance trip to Lourdes** (see Noticeboard below)

Tuesday 24 September (-8 October) – **Trip to Medjugorje**

NOTICEBOARD

The Rite of Candidacy with Archbishop Leo on Sunday 26 May - and A Request For Prayer

Eddie White, our deacon-in-training, writes: 'I have been frankly overwhelmed by the number of good wishes and positive comments regarding the upcoming Candidacy Mass which takes place on 26 May at the 9.30am mass in St John's with Archbishop Leo Cushley.

The Rite of Candidacy is a rite which takes place during the last stages of formation for deacons or priests. During this mass, the Church will essentially formally recognise me as being worthy of being ordained as a permanent deacon.

In many ways, it feels like just yesterday that I was first introduced to the parishes as a deacon in formation and Tanya, myself and our three children, Fergus, Benedict and Eloise, were warmly welcomed. Now we ask for your prayers as I approach Candidacy on 26 May.

Candidacy is the last rite before ordination as a deacon which, God willing, will take place on the 7th of September at noon in the Cathedral. I would love to see as many people from both parishes join me at these two masses, and I would also be grateful for your prayers at this time as I prepare in every way. A special prayer to help me finish these last essays and academic tasks during the particularly busy school terms would also be appreciated!

Priests Retirement Fund Special Collection - 25 & 26 May 2019

'The Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund of the Archdiocese provides the living costs and housing for our 24 retired priests. The special collections are one of the main sources of income for the fund. The next collection will be taken up on Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 May. In 2018, the special collections, donations and investment income of the AICF was £204,129, increased by legacies of £85,000. The cost of providing the retirement allowances and housing was £363,153. The AICF fund held £1,086,000 as at 1 January 2018. In order to continue to pay allowances to the next generation of Priests as they retire, we need a bigger fund and new ideas and support to raise it, which are being actively worked on.

To pay the current allowances requires annual income of around £370,000 (as at 2018). In order to match these allowances with income, the 2019 special collections need to raise twice as much as they did in 2018. Please do consider what you can give to this collection and bring your donations on 25 & 26 May 2019.

Please do also consider including a bequest to the AICF in your will. (The bequest should be to "the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund of the Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh" (Charity No SC008540) and qualifies as a charitable bequest for Inheritance Tax purposes). Our Priests retire at age 75, so they work longer than most other occupations. We all have a joint commitment to support them as they reach old age and are no longer supported by an individual Parish.


Please pray for our retired priests, who have served us well and be as generous as you can.

Gift Aid envelopes are available. If you pay tax please gift aid your donation by completing one of the envelopes, with your offering inside. Thank you for your generosity.'

Sri Lanka Appeal: 'Following the terrible attacks on Easter Sunday at churches in Sri Lanka, His Eminence Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith, Archbishop of Colombo, and Father Tadeusz J Nowak, OMI, the Secretary General for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in Rome, are appealing to Catholics worldwide for emergency funds to help rebuild lives of those affected and the damaged Churches in Sri Lanka. This should be done through Missio Scotland. Donations can be sent directly to the Missio office: 4 Laird Street, Coatbridge ML5 3LJ or by going to the website: www.missioscotland.com where donations can be made online using PayPal or a debit card. Whatever is raised will be sent to the Church in Sri Lanka through the Papal Nuncio in Colombo. More information about the situation in Sri Lanka is available on our website, www.missioscotland.com'

AFTER THE RACE NIGHT, THERE ARE TWO OTHER JOINT PARISH FUNDRAISING EVENTS IN AID OF STEKA SKILLS

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 **1. Saturday 25 May - Home Baking Sale with tea & coffee available** - from 10am-1pm in St John's Church Hall. Any donations of home baking would be very much appreciated & can be left in the parish house in the day or two in advance of the sale - or with Catherine McAnenny (07968970159).

2. Sunday 23 June - Joint Parish Sponsored Walk around Arthur Seat with a small celebration in St John's Church hall afterwards. More details to follow on this in the coming weeks but please save the date!

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 26 May - Archdiocesan Lourdes Day 2019 - 3-5pm – Gillis Centre - 'The annual Archdiocesan Lourdes Day will take place on Sunday 26 May at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh between 3pm and 5pm. The event aims to recreate the spirit of Lourdes within the Archdiocese and will consist of a Marian procession, Solemn Benediction and the Blessing of the Sick. It is organised by organised by The Edinburgh Lourdes Hospitalité and Youth for Lourdes. All very welcome.'

Wednesday 29 May – 6-8pm - Neighbourhood Networks – Portobello & Craigmillar area

'Scott Neil writes: 'As you may be aware, partners are embarking on a new community planning journey with the formation of the new Neighbourhood Networks across the city. As a valued local partner, we are asking you to **Save the Date – Wednesday 29 May 2019, 6pm-8pm** at Richmond Church Community Hall, 227/229 Niddrie Mains Rd, Edinburgh EH16 4PA. Access will be via Rackstraw Place, where there is parking both at

the venue and on street, for the initial gathering of interested local organisations and representatives to come along and help us to shape the future for the Portobello & Craigmillar area. The Network will give you the opportunity to work together with other interested local people and partners to improve the quality of life in the area, to tell us what matters to you and to get involved in taking action to make a real and positive difference in the community. It's about building on all of the positive partnership work that has gone before and focusing on how we can use your collective knowledge to deliver improved services. Please add the date above to your diary and more information will follow.' **If anyone is interested in representing our parishes, please see Fr Jock.** Further information and details will be provided in the coming weeks

Saturday 1 June – Open House Conference 2019 - Adelaide's, 209 Bath Street, Glasgow

'New Directions?' A conversation about being church in Scotland today. Pope Francis has called for a Catholic Church in which bishops, priests and lay people listen and learn from one another. What would such a church look like?

Bishop Brendan Leahy of Limerick will open the conversation. Scottish parishioners will share their changing understanding of church. Conference participants will be invited to explore possible new directions for the Church in Scotland.

Venue Adelaide's, 209 Bath Street, Glasgow G2 4HZ. On the corner of Bath Street and Pitt Street, a few minutes walk from Charing Cross station and car park. Wheelchair access from Bath Street entrance.

Date Saturday 1 June from 10.30am-4.30pm. Doors open for registration and coffee at 9.30am.

Cost £10 including lunch

Booking <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/new-directions-a-conversation-about-being-church-in-scotland-today-tickets-59578939211> or send a cheque for £10, together with your name and address to Florence Boyle, 3 Dalnottar Terrace, Old Kirkpatrick, Dunbartonshire G60 5DE. The conference has been organised by Open House (www.openhousescotland.co.uk) in association with the Newman Association. The Kinharvie Institute, Glasgow, will support Open House with the facilitation for the day.'

Sunday 2 June

St Margaret's Pilgrimage 2019: 11am - 4pm - The annual Summer Pilgrimage in honour of St Margaret in Dunfermline. 'Itinerary: Ecumenical prayers at Dunfermline Abbey, 11am; Guides available for historic tours, 12 noon onwards; Public procession of relics, 2.15pm; Holy Mass with Archbishop Cushley as main celebrant, 3pm. It should be a great day. All are very welcome.'

7.30pm - An Evening with Imam Hassan Rabbani – Portobello and Joppa Parish Church – 7.30pm

Some weeks ago, **Imam Hassan** met Fr Jock, Sophia Marriage from St Mark's Episcopal Church, and Stewart Weaver from Portobello and Joppa Parish Church for lunch. Since then, we have arranged together for Imam Hassan to come to **PJPC at 7.30pm on Sunday 2 June for 'An Evening of Conversation', hosted by PACT** (Portobello and Area Christians Together – ie all the local churches) when Imam Hassan will respond to any questions we wish to put to him.

Friday 7 June - Scottish Churches Housing Action WALK OF UNITY 2019 – St John's, Princes St, to St John's, Portobello.

'We believe in a Scotland free of homelessness.' Come and join us to walk together from Princes Street to Portobello to raise awareness of homelessness and raise funds to help Scottish Churches Housing Action tackle homelessness. We will be walking as an act of Unity amongst the different churches. All are welcome to join us, people of all faiths and none, come and join the fun!

Come and walk from Princes Street to Leith (2.5 miles) or Leith to Portobello (3 miles) or all the way (5.5 miles). When and where? *Friday 7 June 2019 - Setting off at 10 am from St John's Episcopal Church, West End to walk to the United Reformed Church, Duke Street, Leith. Then setting off from URC Duke Street at 11.30am to walk to St John the Evangelist's Roman Catholic Church, Portobello. Enjoy refreshments at URC Duke Street and St John the Evangelist's.* Contact SCHA at info@churches-housing.org for more details and to register to take part. A minimum fundraising target of £25 is required.

Sunday 9 June – Forth Road Bridge Abseil

Ivy Ng writes: 'Health in Mind is once again taking part in this amazing abseil! This unique challenge allows you to abseil (freefall style like the SAS) from the iconic Forth Road Rail Bridge – Scotland's best loved landmark. It's a 165ft drop with a soft landing on the sandy beach below. No previous experience is required and a team of highly skilled instructors will ensure your safety! **Registration £21 – minimum sponsorship £185**

Just to give you a bit more information about Health in Mind, we provide the tools, information and support to help people cope with life's challenges and live the life they want to live. We offer a wide range of services including befriending, counselling, peer support and guided self-help. The majority of our services are based in Edinburgh and the Lothians. For more information on our services please see www.health-in-mind.org.uk With Mental Health Awareness week just round the corner, it would be fantastic time to get some local community members involved in what we've got going on! It's also a great time to raise awareness for mental health and the work we do. If you would like any more information about our services, or our events, please do get in touch.'

Tuesday 11 June - 7.30pm - St Catharine's Convent, 4 Lauriston Gardens – The documentary 'POPE FRANCIS: A MAN OF HIS WORD' - Followed by drinks on the lawn

Saturday 22 June - 2.00pm - Lauriston Jesuit Centre, 28 Lauriston Street – An Audience with Jimmy McGovern (BAFTA award winning screenwriter and producer) - 'Jimmy McGovern, (creator of crime drama Cracker) will join us at the Lauriston Jesuit Centre, 28 Lauriston Street, for a commentary on his most recent series, 'Broken', broadcast on BBC One in 2017. Entry by donation. If you require any further information on either this or the Pope Francis documentary please contact Andrew Cassidy ✉ pastoral@lauriston.org.uk '

Thursday 18 - Saturday 27 July 2019 - JUMBULANCE YOUTH TRIP TO LOURDES

Jeremy Devlin-Thorp writes: 'We still have a few spaces available for helpers (age range 18-25), and VIP's (those that need additional support) (age range 12-21). If interested please contact Jeremy Devlin-Thorp (07900 278043) or Dave Connarty (07946 518542) to discuss details.'



Mon 22 July - Fri 26 July - 9am-12.30pm - Portobello Churches' Summer Holiday Club for Primary Children - £2 per session (includes snack) – All Places Filled - to go on the waiting list, contact Lynda Kazimoglu on lkazimoglu@yahoo.co.uk or collect a registration form from the church office

Would you like to join the Holiday Club Team

'We are now looking for volunteers to help at holiday club, 22-26 July. **Help for the full week or even just a day would be great.** You choose to help in a variety of ways, we need help with games, arts and crafts, supporting children with additional support needs, music, science, prayer activities, snacks, nursery care, baking, food activities, small group leaders and group helpers. Adult volunteers and youth helpers are welcome. Training is available and you have the support of a great team when volunteering.

Speak with Lynda Kazimoglu, Fr Jock or email Michelle Brown at portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com for volunteer's forms and to work out where you want to help during the week.'

Sunday 25 - Friday 30 August - Cluster Group D Day Landings Battlefields Visit/Pilgrimage 2019 - Any enquiries for information or application should be directed to Des Brogan in St Ninian's Parish. T: 07710 720 774 des@mercattours.com

Holy Rood RC High School News:

Joan Daly writes:

- We were delighted to welcome our **Cluster Primary Pupil and Parent Council** members attend the a very exciting event in Holy Rood when we worked together on a shared Cluster Mission Statement for all of our schools.
- Congratulations to the S6 pupils (Laura Hunter, Karys McNeill, Kenneth Tecson, Lewis Moorhead, Caitlin Fong, Priyanka Bhandari, Leah Hooks and Anna Collins) who successfully completed their **Mark Scott Leadership for Life Award**, We are very proud of their achievements.
- Well done to our 40 S3 intrepid explorers who completed their **Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Practice Expedition** this week – trekking and camping in the Pentlands. Thanks to Mr Gillies, Mr Shaikh and Mr Dixon who prepared the pupils.
- We ask you to remember our senior pupils in your prayers as they sit their **SQA Exams**.

Here is this week's update of recent events/news from Holy Rood, your Cluster Secondary School.

Please follow us on twitter @HolyRoodRCHigh

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

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently; Jean Vanier, Jim Meikle

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Maureen Collie, Pat Boyle, Ellen Kelly, Alan Millar, Christine Pugh, Jim Paterson, Joseph Conaghan, Brendan Boyle, Killian Dempsey

St John's :-

May 11:- Veronica Ginnelly (2001); May 12:- Ian J Berry (2013); Helen McGuire (1991); Kathleen Ogilvie (1970); Ninian Connolly; May 13:- John Bonar (2005); Sr.Marie McAllister (2001); Rena Tow (1992); Edward Black Sen. (1985); May 14:- Cecelia McKenzie (2009); John Gordon Kerr (1994); Sr.Mary Tait (1994); James Waugh (1979); Ann (McCann) Murphy (1956); May 15:- James Kelly (2004); John O'Brien (1954); May 16:- Maureen Collie (2018); Bill Hunter (2017); John Rooney (1984); Vincent Rowley (1981); Sarah Taylor (1981); Mary Anne McGroary (1947); Philip Haslett; May 17:- Christine Pugh (2013); Killian Dempsey (2005); Mary (Thomson) Macnamara (1996); Joseph Passmore (1963)

St. Mary Magdalene's :-

May 12:- Dorothy McEwan (1995); May 16:- Ian Graham (2003); Joseph Flynn (1974); Catherine Tough (1970)

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Alex Hunter, Ernie Moran, Maureen Low, Pat Hunter, Dolores Jones, Mike Noonan, Alan Blyth, Paul Tansey, Mary Slight, 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, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Kitty Dykes, Ernie Moran, Norman Telfer, Philip Jamieson, Maimie Richards, Patricia Lawler, 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, Ann Ward, Lorraine Syme.

Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's: Ella Ayers, John Prior, Sheila Service, John Newell, Ray Donnelly, Louise Gorman, Michael McPhillips, Agnes Harvey, Bridget Malone, Charles Malcolm, Margaret Ryan, Jacqueline Hannan, Chris English, Julie Keegan, Rose McKay, Denis Davidson, Laurie Wallace, Elizabeth Mackail, Annie Watson, Isobel Phillips, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Jude Ferguson, Mary & James Muir.

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: Anthony Finnerty, Celine Dinis, Sr Margaret Mary O'Meara, Savannah McDonald, Anne Pancott, Pat Dignan, Sharon Anderson, Igor Rekowski, Colette Woods, Emilia Iheji, Maureen Henderson, Peter Hanley, Jean Vanier, Margaret Walker, Ellen Kelly, Joanna Lamb, 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, young Ray Donovan Syme.

	ST MARY MAGDALENE	ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
Offertory Collections		
5 May 2019	£277.19 (including £90.00 gift aid)	£993.42 (including £349.40 gift aid)

Thank you for your generosity

ST MARY MAGDALENE

Led by Aisha Montgomery, St Mary Magdalene's Children's Liturgy will be hosting a **Bake Sale** next Sunday 19 May after 11:15am mass. They are hoping to raise money for Edinburgh's Sick Kids hospital prior to its move in July. Please do come along and support our younger parishioners either as a customer or with a donation of home baking.



Work on enlarging our hall kitchen begins on Monday – this might well affect tea and coffee after mass and use of the hall over the next three weeks.....

	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
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12 May	Dorothy Dickson & Eileen Igoe	Anne Jabir
19 May	Sam Henry & Tessa Haring	Jim Gallagher

The next Healing Mass will be on Monday 20 May at 2.30pm in St. Mary Magdalene's. The Rosary will be said at 2.15pm and there will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation after Mass. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served in the Church Porch, (the hall and kitchen are undergoing refurbishment).

A REQUEST FOR HELP FROM THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



Geoff Dobson writes: ‘Are you free to help clean 4 SVP caravans at Port Seton between 10 am and 1 pm on the following Saturdays: 11, 18, 25 May and possibly 1 June. We do not have enough able bodied people to do it ourselves. People do not have to come to every Saturday, just tell us when you can help please! We are quite stretched manpower wise and need eight people in total each Saturday, 2 per caravan. If interested, please approach Geoff Dobson (07808 029 391) or Mary Iannarelli (07534 666 439) or after the 9.30am Mass at St John's. **If people sign up, can they please meet at 10am outside St John's church on the relevant Saturdays - but please sign up first with Geoff or Mary so that we know who can come when.'**

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST			
Saturday 18 May	M Gorrie, J Kemp, C Vinestock	Sunday 19 May	L Moran, A Tanzi, P Whyte, T Spence, P Connarty

A message of thanks from **Twende Pamoja** - Pamoja fashion raised £152.00 last Saturday - many thanks to everyone.

VOLUNTEERS

In preparation for the installation of our defibrillator – we as a parish require to have SIX trained people to use this equipment. Training sessions will take place with our sister parish at Bingham Community Centre on Tuesday 28 May 2019 or Wednesday 29 May from 6.30pm until 9.30pm. The cost of training will be paid for by the parish. Please consider helping in this very worthwhile initiative.



Please contact Fr Jock or Chris Vinestock for further information.

Maria Igoe writes:

❖ **Update on 2019 Trips to Medjugorje** - Between this Tuesday 14 May and Tuesday 28 May 2 Priests and 35 pilgrims will be in Medjugorje. Some go for 1 week, most for 11 nights and a few for 2 weeks. Everyone is looking forward to having an amazing spiritual time. If you would like a candle lit for you and your intentions at the beautiful candle area, please let us know. The cost is one euro.



Between 24 September and 8 October a small group will travel to Medjugorje. From 4 - 6 October, people from all over the world will be there for the Mary's Meals Pilgrimage. We will be joined then by Bishop John Keenan of Paisley. There is still time for anyone who is interested to book and join this Group.'



Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 11 May	9.00am–9.55am: - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am – Mass – SI 10.30am - Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – Mgr Gerry McKay	
Sunday 12 May 4th SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.30am:- Mass – Pat Boyle	11.15am:- Mass – People of the Parishes
Monday 13 May	10.00am – Eucharistic Service	10.00am:- Mass – Joseph Conaghan
Tuesday 14 May	10.00am:- Mass – Jim Paterson	
Wednesday 15 May	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	9.25-55am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass – Matthew Ferguson
Thursday 16 May	10.00am:- Mass – Bridget McTighe	
Friday 17 May	10.00am:- Mass – Christine Pugh	
Saturday 18 May	9.00am–9.55am: - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am – Mass – Alan Millar 10.30am - Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – People of the Parishes	
Sunday 19 May 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.30am:- Mass – Ellen Kelly	11.15am:- Mass – Helen Budge

Why not visit our parishes' Facebook page www.facebook.com/StJohnsAndStMaryMagdalenes