

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.



FR ELEPHTHERIOS RETURNS ON THE PIANO – A CHARITY CONCERT AT ST JOHN'S THIS FRIDAY 18 OCTOBER – also featuring THE RUSSIAN CHOIR OF EDINBURGH

 Jennifer Morris writes: 'Free charity concert in aid of Syrian Refugees – Friday 18 October at 7pm in St John's Church featuring Father Elephtherios (classical pianist and Greek Orthodox Priest) and the Russian Choir of Edinburgh. There will be an opportunity to donate to Edinburgh Direct Aid which supports 60,000 Syrian Refugees in Aarsal in the Lebanon. Free light refreshments provided.'

WARM CLOTHES FOR BETHANY – A CLOTHES COLLECTION NEXT W/E - 19/20

 **OCTOBER:** A message from Agnieszka (Aga) Magnucka, one of our parishioners: 'The past years have shown us that the weather in the wintertime can be unpredictable, which is mostly affecting those who are rough sleepers. We're collecting warm clothes and shoes (clean and in a good condition) and thick sleeping bags for homeless adults. All items will be donated to Bethany Christian Trust this year (Registered Scottish Charity No. SC003783). It would be fantastic if you could check your wardrobes to find things you don't need anymore. **Please bring your donations along on the weekend 19/20 October and the Justice & Peace Group will arrange to deliver them to Bethany.'**

MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION:

Next Sunday, on 20/21 October, there will be a **special collection in aid of Missio at all our Sunday Masses:** 'At His Holiness Pope Francis' invitation, Catholics in parishes all over the world are asked to contribute to a special collection for the Pontifical Mission Societies (PMS) - his official charity for overseas mission - during World Mission Sunday. For October this year, the Pope has asked us to place an extraordinary focus on mission, so Missio Scotland—the Scottish branch of the PMS - is following the Holy Father's lead by showcasing some of our extraordinary missionaries and the extraordinary work being undertaken in mission countries and territories throughout the world such as Sierra Leone. Our missionary priests and religious live out their mission and support our brothers and sisters in faith throughout the world. You too can show that 'together we are mission' and play your part in the life of the universal Church by supporting Missio Scotland, so please give generously.'

ST JOHN'S AND ST MARY MAGDALENE'S PARISHES' PRIZE DRAW – RAFFLE TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Raffle Tickets for the Parishes' Prize Draw continue to be available at £1 each. They will be sold at the back of both churches after Mass or from the Parish House. Fabulous prizes include – £100 Cash, Tickets for Summer Concert 2020 at Edinburgh Castle, Luxury Hamper and many other prizes. **The raffle will be drawn on Sunday 27 October at 10.45am (after mass) in St John's Hall.** All proceeds from the ticket sales will be going to the following charities – Bethany Night Shelters and UNICEF Yemen Appeal. **Please do support us.**



OUR FIRST 'LANDINGS' EVENING – for Catholics who might wish to 'return home' – takes place at 7.30pm on **Tuesday 12 November** in the Prayer Room in the Parish House.

Landings is a lay led series of meetings for those wishing to reconnect with their Catholic faith. Through a series of topic discussions and sharing of personal experiences, we discover how God has been present in our lives through the difficult as well as the good times. A space where support, respect and confidentiality leads to each participant feeling affirmed not just within Landings but also in the Church. Come with an open heart and a readiness to listen – and for your voice to be heard....**For more information, contact our Landings co-ordinator, Bronagh Power (bronaghpower11@gmail.com or 07902 607936).**

A PRAYER TO COME HOME TO OURSELVES

May all that is unforgiven in us
be released
May our fears yield
Their deepest tranquillities.
May all that is un-lived in us
Blossom into a future
Graced with love
(John O'Donohue)

This is the major autumn initiative across the five parishes of our Cluster.

The next Baptismal Preparation Course will be on Wednesday 23 October and Wednesday 30 October in the Parish House at 7.30pm – if you would like a child baptised please make contact with Kath Zoltie on 07799 251524.

On Saturday 2 November – between 10am and 1.30pm at The Sanctuary, Portobello and Joppa Parish Church – there will be **A MORNING OF REFLECTION FOR ALL INVOLVED IN FAITH FORMATION IN OUR TWO PARISHES** (eg Members of our RCIA, Baptismal, Marriage and Sacramental Preparation Teams, the Prayer Co-Ordinating Group, and the Children's Liturgy Teams) – **Guest speaker: Fr Ian Wilson OSA....**More details soon, but please note date in your diary!

Sacramental Preparation – A REQUEST FOR PRAYER PARTNERS FOR OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

Arlene Lauder writes – 'This year 31 children have enrolled on our 'Do this in Memory' Sacramental formation programme which will see these young people make their First Holy Communion in 2020. **We are currently looking for parishioners from both churches to become 'Prayer Partners' to our lovely young people.** The children have already chosen one prayer partner from their circle of family and friends and it is the parishes' plan to provide them with at least 1 more and this is where you may be able to help. The commitment is simple. We ask you to include the young person in your prayers and if you wish you can come to the 'Do This In Memory' masses which normally occur monthly between now and next June, and are held jointly at both churches.

At all masses on the weekend of 2 & 3 November, we will be taking the names of those who wish to become involved. Please take some time now to consider this service. Prayer partners are vital to the continued success of our programme. If you wish more information or would like to 'sign up' now, please call or text Arlene on 07950 880 833. Many thanks.

THIS WEEK

Saturday 12 October – 6.30pm – St John's - **Mass with Baptism of Max Bonyng**

Sunday 13 October – 5pm – St John's – **Reception of Nuala Scott's body.**

Monday 14 October – 10am – St John’s – **Requiem Mass for Nuala Scott**

Wednesday 16 October

Parish House – **Meeting of the Edinburgh L’Arche community Leadership Team**

7.00pm – Parish House Prayer Room – **Lectio Divina**. All welcome.

Friday 18 October – 7pm – St John’s Church - **Free charity concert in aid of Syrian Refugees**

Friday 18 October to Saturday 19 October – 10pm-8am – St Catharine’s Convent, 4 Lauriston Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 9HH – **Legion of Mary All Night Vigil**

Saturday 19 October – 10am – Gillis Centre - **Adult Formation Day: (see Autumn Events in our Community, Cluster and Archdiocese)**

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Monday 21 October – 7.30pm – Parish House- **St John’s Parish Pastoral Council Meeting**

Wednesday 23 (and 30) October – 7.30pm – Parish House – **Baptismal Preparation Course**

Saturday 26 October – 2-5pm – Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Rd, EH9 1BB – **‘Your Marriage is Your vocation: the beauty and challenge of Marriage and Family Life in the 21st Century’** (see Noticeboard)

Sunday 27 October – 7.00pm - Portobello and Joppa Parish Church – **A SECOND EVENING OF CONVERSATION WITH IMAM HASSAN RABBANI**

Saturday 2 November

9.30am – 4.30pm – City of Edinburgh Methodist Church, 25 Nicholson Square, Edinburgh, EH8 9BX - A Conference organised by the Scottish Churches Anti Human Trafficking Group: **‘Selling Out to Slavery’** - ‘The cost of the day is £16.76. The eventbrite page and tickets for the ACTS anti human trafficking ‘selling Out to slavery’ Conference is/are now available at this link <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/selling-out-to-slavery-tickets-66016656597?ref=eios>’

10am-1.30pm – The Sanctuary, Portobello and Joppa Parish Church – **A MORNING OF REFLECTION FOR ALL INVOLVED IN FAITH FORMATION IN OUR TWO PARISHES.** (More details soon, but please note date in your diary!)

Sunday 3 November

9.30am – St John’s – **P4 ‘Do This In Memory’ Mass**

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene’s - **P3 + Children’s Mass**

7.30pm – St Mark’s Episcopal Church – **Dalkeith & Monktonhall Brass Band Concert** (see Noticeboard)

Tuesday 5 November – 7.30pm-St Mary Magdalene’s – **Eucharistic Ministers Meeting**

Saturday 9 November

10.00am – 1pm - St John’s Hall - **Pamoja Fashion Sale**

6.30pm – Scottish Story Telling Centre – **Love, Loss & Cake – Reprise Performance** (see noticeboard)

Tuesday 12 November – 7.30pm – Parish House Prayer Room – **First of several weekly ‘Landings’ meetings.**

NOTICEBOARD

Eucharistic Ministers Twice Yearly Meeting- 5 November.

Jim Roarty and Una Gallagher write ‘The next half-yearly meeting of Eucharistic Ministers of both parishes will be on Tuesday 5 November at 7.30pm (immediately after 7pm Mass), at St Mary Magdalene’s.’

Autumn Fayre and Walking Together with L'Arche Thanks

Our Joint Parishes' Autumn Fayre went wonderfully well and happily... many thanks to all who attended – and special thanks to all of the Fayre Team who worked so very hard not only on the day but also on the days and weeks prior to the event – also to the pupils from Holy Rood High School who helped on the day as part of their Caritas Award programme. We are very grateful for the Portobello High St Business Community for their donations – and, of course, to all parishioners and friends who supported the event in any way.

The day concluded with members of the Edinburgh L'Arche Community joining us for tea and cakes – co-ordinated by the St John's Hospitality Team - at the end of their 'Walking Together with L'Arche' along the Promenade. The joy, laughter and happiness evident was a suitable end to a lovely day.

The L'Arche Community have sent us a hand/home painted card and some beautiful flowers, with the message – 'Thanks so much for all your generous help with Walking Together and being such good friends to us for so many years – with love from L'Arche Edinburgh.'

AUTUMN EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY, CLUSTER AND DIOCESE

Saturday 19 October – 10am – Gillis Centre - **Adult Formation Day:**

Archbishop Cushley writes: 'On this day, we will officially launch our partnership with the Maryvale Institute, Birmingham. Maryvale are offering two courses through this diocese, a Certificate in Catechesis and a Certificate in Parish Mission and Ministry. If anyone interested in these courses, they can contact Fr Daniel Doherty at VEcatechetics@staned.org.uk or 01236 822136.'

Tuesday 22nd October -7.30 - 9.30pm - Mayfield Salisbury Church, 18, West Mayfield Edinburgh EH9 1TQ. **The Edinburgh Newman Circle** celebrates Newman's canonisation by showing the film "John Henry Newman" by the Very Revd Dr John Davies, DI, Dean of Derby, All are warmly invited to attend. A donation is requested to cover our costs.

Saturday 26 October – 2-5pm – Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Rd, EH9 1BB – 'Your Marriage is Your vocation: the beauty and challenge of Marriage and Family Life in the 21st Century' – with Archbishop John Wilson of Southwark and Mary Kileen of the Maryvale Institute offering an Afternoon of Reflection on Pope Francis' encyclical *Amoris Laetitia*. Book your place on Eventbrite or call 0131 623 8900. There will be a chance also during the day to learn more about the Maryvale Institute short course - 'A Catechesis on Marriage and Family' – more details next week.

Saturday 2 November (All Souls Day) – 10am - Mount Vernon Cemetery Chapel - Archbishop Cushley will be offering Mass for the repose of the souls of all faithful departed in the Archdiocese who have died since last year. All are very welcome.

Sunday 3 November – 7.30pm – St Mark's Episcopal Church, 287 Portobello High Street EH15 2AR. –



DALKEITH AND MONKTONHALL BRASS BAND IN CONCERT Tickets £7 – Free entry for under 16s. www.stmarksportobello.org 0131 629 1219 stmarkstickets@gmail.com

Wednesday 6 November – 6.30pm – Abbotsford House, Melrose TD6 9BQ - 'St John Newman

talk: Following the canonisation of Cardinal Newman in Rome this Sunday, scholar Mgr Roderick Strange will discuss the saint's ties with our Archdiocese. The talk is entitled 'Newman at Abbotsford: A Spiritual Oasis.'

Saturday 9 November – 6.30pm – Scottish Storytelling Centre - **LOVE, LOSS & CAKE – REPRISE PERFORMANCE**

Jeremy Devlin-Thorp, previously leader of the St John's Music Group, who appeared in the Fringe with his friend, Malcolm Windsor, writes: 'Our cabaret was a tribute to our late wives, Christine and Sally, with the music that they loved. We were joined by Nick Gent on guitar for performances of melodies and lyrics from the golden age of song. The show sold out in the Fringe, so we are delighted to offer a one-off performance: When: Saturday 9 November 2019 6.30 pm

Where: The Scottish Storytelling Centre, 43-45 High St, Edinburgh EH1 1SR Edinburgh (The Netherbow Theatre at John Knox's House) Tickets: £10, available from: Box Office on 0131 556 9579, or at <http://bit.ly/lovelossandcake>. There is access for four wheelchair users.' *Raising funds for projects of the Scottish Partnership for Palliative Care, charity no. 17979*

16-23 NOVEMBER - ADOPTION WEEK SCOTLAND - Paula Harkins, Head of Services at St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society, **writes:** 'St Margaret's is a leading, well established Scottish voluntary agency set up by the Catholic Church in 1955. As Adoption Week Scotland approaches, we are looking to recruit suitable adopters who can provide a safe, loving and caring home for children seeking adoption and will be hosting an information evening - Monday 18 November 6.30pm – 7.30pm and Open Day - Wednesday 20 November 2019. These will be held and at our offices at 26 Newton Place Glasgow G3 7PY. (See posters at the back of the church for more details) To register your interest visit Eventbrite search for St Margaret's or call 0141 332 8371 or email info@stmargaretsadoption.org.uk'

Christian Meditation on Fridays at 7.30pm at 63 York Place

'Experience the joy of God's healing presence during Christian meditation and meet the Christian Meditation group. Afterwards you are welcome for refreshments and to socialize. It sometimes also meets in Stockbridge during the week. Contact info - mobile: 0771 777 2614: Facebook: <http://on.fb.me/1cuO5QJ>
The up-to-date schedule is here: <https://www.meetup.com/ChristianMeditation-Group/events/>

Holy Rood RC High News

Joan Daly writes:-

- This week marked the end of an era as we said **farewell to our Head Teacher, Mrs Lorraine Legrix**, at a beautiful mass in school. We thank Father Jock and Father Alfie for celebrating the mass with us and Mrs Legrix for her dedication to our school over the past 11 years. We will miss her, and wish her a long and happy retirement.
- Two of our S6 pupils, accompanied by Mrs Greig on a visit to Auschwitz as part of a project entitled **Lessons from Auschwitz**. This unforgettable experience was made possible by Holocaust Educational Trust.
- S6 pupils have had the opportunity to participate in the **Young Drivers Event** and senior pupils studying Business Studies attended the **Excellence in Enterprise** Event.
- Well done to the four pupils who represented the school at the **Edinburgh-Tanzania 'Zero Waste'** initiative with Mr Radford.
- **Dates for your diary:-** Make S5/6 Matter – Parent Support Session – Thurs 24 October 4.30-6.30pm, P6/7 Parents' Open Evening - Wed 30th October 6 -7.30pm

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

A PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI IN 2020 – 'For the past 30 years Rev Tom Cuthell has been taking groups to Assisi whose claim to fame is, of course, its most famous son - St Francis. 2020 will be Tom's 'swansong' and will involve a double-venue trip - three full days in Lugano, Switzerland, with the rest of the time spent in Assisi. In both Lugano and Assisi the group will be accommodated in guest-houses run by the Sisters of S. Brigida. The dates are:- Saturday 22 August to Saturday 5 September. 30 places have been booked and it is anticipated that, very quickly, the group will be full. For further information contact Tom on:- 0131 476 3864 Email tcuthell@gmail.com.'

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

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: Robert Chalmers

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Mgr James Rae, Kitty Bloomfield, Drew Donoghue, Michael Connelly, Pauline Knowles, Frank O'Reilly and Frances Smith

St John's

Oct.13:- Anthony & Leonard Reading (2003); Elizabeth Berry (1978); David Hyde (1978); Denis McKay; **Oct.14:-** Fay Brown (2014); Mary M Smith (1999); Agnes Docherty (1994); Jean Deighan (1990); Norman Ritchie (1973); Hugh Stone (1962); Joseph Bradley; **Oct.15:-** Monsignor James Rae (2015); George Gilhooley (1997); Robert Nelson (1959); Collins Family; **Oct.16:-** Catherine Jeffrey (1986); Elizabeth Burns; **Oct.17:-** Michael Connelly (2018); Cathie Bloomfield (2008); Mina Hanlon (1987); **Oct.18:-** Michael Richards (2017); Nan McCreadie (1995); Frances Smith (1991); John Young; **Oct.19:-** Joseph Gracie (2010); Mrs Kelly;

St Mary Magdalene's

Oct.13:- James Harvey (2018); **Oct.14 :-** Marisa Kerr (2000); **Oct.16 :-** Daniel Sweeney (2004); Fr. Jimmy Henry (1987);

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Alison Thomson, Anne Thomson, Eileen Brown, David Thom snr, Mike Noonan, Sarah McManus, Sheila Alexander, Patricia Lawler, Mike Burns, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Pat Tansey, Ernie Moran, Maureen Low, Pat Hunter, Dolores Jones, Alan Blyth, Mary Slight, Jean McCraw, Mary Glancy, Marie White, Cathy Walls, Anna Butler, Mary Phair, Sara Alkahankni, Rose Thornton, Alan Lugton, Kitty Dykes, Norman Telfer, Philip Jamieson, Guilio Crolla, Alf Macnamara, Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Grady, Kathy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Marie Angela Crolla, Lorraine Syme.

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

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: Jean Nelson, Frances Green, Dominic O'Donnell, Felicity McCluskey, Jane Petrie, Stephen Fernie, Maureen Henderson, Joseph Jordan, Edward Caulfield, Mike Enfield, Anthony Finnerty, Celine Dinis, Savannah McDonald, Pat Dignan, Sharon Anderson, Igor Rekowski, Peter Hanley, Pez Nye, Hazel Marshall, Sr Veronica Marshall, James Clerk, Alice Doherty, Martin Doherty, John Clark, Maureen Connolly, Diana Hibbert, Joseph Daly, Roksana Moczulstra, Wendy Lochhead, Joan Brooks, Sr May Lewis, Mary Turnbull, Stuart Falconer, Ellen Green, Caroline Narrie, Kathleen McConnell, Jake Jorden, George Collins, Ena McCann, John Donnelly, Noel Flanagan, young Ray Donovan Syme.

Offertory Collections	ST MARY MAGDALENE	ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
6 October 2019	£556.00 (including £278.00 gift aid)	£855.57 (including £464.50 gift aid) Direct Debits - (an additional £380.40) – overall figure: £1235.97
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>		

ST MARY MAGDALENE		
	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
13 October	Tessa Haring & Martha O'Hanlon	Peggy Ferguson
20 October	Willie Montgomery & Mary Fenwick	Anne Jabir

NB There will be a fire drill at some point during the 11.15am Sunday Mass in the coming weeks....

Tuesday 15 October is Mgr Rae's fourth anniversary – Mass will be offered for him at 10am at St John's (by Fr Gordon Brown – as Fr Jock is away concelebrating Pat Hay-Will's Requiem Mass in Bungay in Norfolk. Pat is the mother of Fr Raglan Hay-Will – Fr Jock's friend and holiday/cycling companion.)

Irene Cafferkey and Collette Charleston of St Theresa's, Craigmillar, write: 'Thank you so much to the people who sponsored our walk to Santiago De Compostella. We raised £3600 which was divided between:- Mary's Meals £1200 which will feed 86 children for a year - St Catharine's Convent £1200 which will help with the Homeless Project - St Teresa's Parish £1200 which is going to help pay for the church to be painted.'

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST			
Saturday 19 October	Pauline MacInnes, Jeff Kemp Jim Roarty	Sunday 20 October	Enrico Fertini, Pauline Connarty, Colette Dempsey, Bernie Gallagher, Gena Gallagher



Welcome to the world, Zara Elizabeth Hay, born on 19 September 2019, a daughter for Susan and Dave, and a sister for Innes.

Please note that there will be **no Pamoja Fashion Sale on Saturday 2 November**. The sale will now be held on Saturday 9 November.



Frances McDevitt writes: 'Eco-Congregation Update:



With the feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October, the ecumenical season dedicated to prayer for the protection of creation and the promotion of sustainable lifestyles came to an end for 2019. However, our care and stewardship for our planet does not end! For example, a 3 week Special Assembly of the Synod of Bishops started in Rome on 6 October on the theme of "Amazonia, new paths for the Church and for an integral ecology."

Within the parish, St John's Eco-Congregation group met a fortnight ago and discussed the ongoing Eco-Audit which is being completed by over 30 groups and organisations in the parish. It is hoped that, once all of this information is collated, St John's will be in a position to apply for Eco-Congregation Scotland registration later in the autumn.'

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 12 October	10.00am: – Mass – Stefanija Johnston 10.30am: - Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass - People of the Parish	
Sunday 13 October 28th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am:- Mass – David Robertson	11.15am:- Mass – SI
Monday 14 October	10.00am:- Requiem Mass for Nuala Scott	
Tuesday 15 October St Teresa of Jesus Memorial	10.00am:- Mass – Mgr James Rae	
Wednesday 16 October	10.00am: - Eucharistic Service	10.00am:- Mass – Frank O’Reilly
Thursday 17 October St Ignatius of Antioch Memorial	10.00am: - Eucharistic Service	9.30am–9.55am: - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am - Mass – Michael Connelly
Friday 18 October ST LUKE FEAST	9.00am–9.55am: -Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am - Mass – Frances Smith 3.00pm: - Divine Mercy Devotions	
Saturday 19 October	10.00am: – Mass – Pauline Knowles 10.30am: - Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass - Margaret Ingram	
Sunday 20 October 29th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am:- Mass – Joe Reilly	11.15am:- Mass – People of the Parish

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