### THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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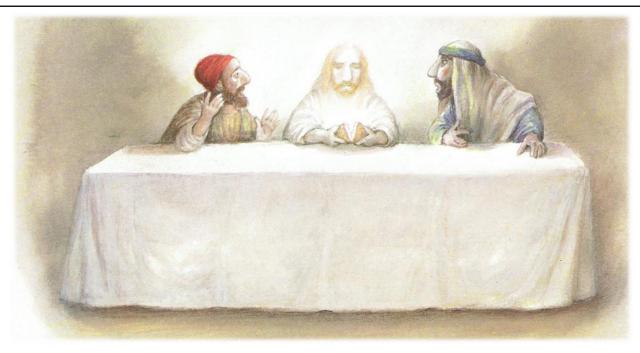
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## 14 APRIL 2024 - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread... (Lk 24: v 36)

Maria Igoe writes: 'The April Coffee Morning will be held this Monday 15 April, after Mass in St John's Parish Hall. Donations will be given to "Malaria No More". I have had many mosquito bites and they have been very unpleasant, but the mosquitoes, which bit me, did not carry malaria. Malaria kills children. The charity will provide vaccines and nets. Malaria must die so millions can live!'

Canon Andrew Monaghan's funeral takes place this Monday, 15 April, at 12.45pm in St Mary's Bathgate. May he rest in peace....

Please pray for our Alpha Group Day Retreat next Saturday... The Alpha Team writes: 'Eight weeks ago a group of parishioners from both St John's and St Mary Magdalene's started their journey on the Alpha course. Each week we have met in the St John's Parish Hall to have a meal, watch a video on the topic for that week, and then to share our views and raise any burning questions. It is a special time for reflection on our faith and offers an opportunity to make good connections with fellow parishioners. This Saturday we go on retreat at St David's Church Hall in Dalkeith - please do pray for the participants as we continue our journey in faith...'

Next Sunday, at the 9.30am 'Do This in Memory of Me' P4 Children's Mass at St John's, the children's **prayer partners** will have the opportunity to meet 'their' child...

Aila (Jennifer Morris), Alex (Una Gallagher), Archie (Mary Grady), Cillian (Kate Fulton),
David (Joyce Martin), Max (Connor McLeod), Sara (Pauline McInnes), Elif (Barbara Orlowska),
Elise (Hugh Aitken), Emma (Gary Zoltie), Finley (Charlotte Lauder), Grace (Derek DeFreitas),
Harry (Joan Daly), Hope (Rosanna Velazco), Joachim (Jesus Miguel Pena), Julie (Pius Onwe),
Lilian (Isabel Forbes), Marta (Catherine Lacey), Oliver (Catrina McGillivray), Reese (Donald
Scott), Olivia (tbc), Orla (tbc), Rosa (Rosalind MacKay), Sarah (tbc), Tartor (Paul Esangbedo),
Eden (tbc) and Kornelia (XX).

# 40 HOURS ADORATION/QUARANT'ORE - Next Sunday 21, Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 April

**Deacon Eddie writes:** 'Starting after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 21 April, we will launch our (now) annual 40 Hours Adoration. (It was postponed from earlier in the year in order to allow for warmer weather!).

There are sign-up sheets available at the back of both Churches this weekend. Please be generous with your time if you can.

Sunday 21 April – we will begin straight after Mass in St John's and finish at 10.00pm

Monday 22 April - we will start at 5.30am and continue until 1.00pm in St John's

1.00pm to 4.00pm in St Mary Magdalene's

4.00pm to 10.00pm in St John's

**Tuesday 23 April** – we will start at 5.30am and continue until 5.30pm in St John's 5.30pm to 6.50pm in The Parish House Prayer Room.

I will open up for the 5.30am slots but welcome anyone who is able to join especially before the working day begins'.

## Welcome To Our Steka Women's Hostel Fundraising Club Draw

Gerry Power writes: 'Here's great way for you to support building the **Steka Women's Hostel in Malawi** whilst having a bit of a flutter! Here's how it works...

Set up a standing order with your bank for £10 per month (St John' Church, sort code 804653, account number 10765768), or pay by cash or cheque (hand in your envelope to the Parish House). Forms and draw rules can be found at the back of the two churches (or you can download it from here: <a href="https://bit.ly/4cK3sIx">https://bit.ly/4cK3sIx</a>) This buys you one membership number (that we will allocate), which enters you into the monthly draw. All participants must be over 16.

The draw will take place alternately after the 9.30am Mass at St John's and the 11.15am Mass at St Mary Magdalene's – on the last Sunday of each month commencing **Sunday 26 May**. If you win, we will send you a cheque in your name.

The prize money will be 25% of the membership fee taken each month. The remaining 75% goes towards funding the building of the Steka Women's Hostel.

The Fundraising Club Draw will run for 12 months, that is from May 2024 to April 2025 (last draw)

Any queries, please contact Gerry Power on 07954747791 or email <u>gerryporto@blueyonder.co.uk</u> Join our Steka Women's Hostel Fundraising club draw – you could be our first winner!

**Fr Jock's Sponsored Slim** – raising funds for the **Women's Hostel** – was eventually rather more effective than at one moment looked likely (blame it on the insulin...) in that he did manage to lose **6lb**. Thanks to all those who have paid their debts: and equally to those who will hand in their contributions in the coming days....including even those who kindly meant to sponsor him, but never quite got round to it!

#### THIS WEEK

#### Saturday 13 April

12.30am – St John's – **Baptism of Mia Dewar** 

6.30pm – St John's – **Vigil Mass** – *livestreamed* 

#### Sunday 14 April – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.30am – St John's – Mass – livestreamed

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Mass** – *livestreamed* 

7.00pm – St John's Hall – **Alpha Course** – Evening 7

#### **Monday 15 April**

10.00am - St John's - Mass - livestreamed

10.40am – St John's Hall – **Charity Coffee Morning** (in aid of *Malaria No More*)

12.45am – St Mary's, Bathgate – Requiem Mass for Canon Andrew Monaghan (Fr Jock)

7.00pm – Zoom – **Gospel Sharing** – click <u>HERE</u> or type <u>https://bit.ly/3vKi6PB</u>

#### **Tuesday 16 April**

7.00pm – Prayer Room - **Mass** – *livestreamed* 

7.45pm – Parish House - RCIA – **Mystagogia 2** (The period of 'Aftercare')

Wednesday 17 April - 10.00am - St John's Hall - Mass - livestreamed

#### **Thursday 18 April**

10.00am – St Mary Magdalene's – Mass – livestreamed

7.30pm – Parish House – **Baptism Preparation Course** – Evening 2

#### Friday 19 April

10.00am – St John's Hall – Mass – livestreamed

11.00am – Holy Rood HS – S6 Leavers' Mass (Fr Jock)

1.00pm - Mount Vernon - Burial of John Cregan's Ashes

#### Saturday 20 April –

10am – 4pm – St David's, Dalkeith, Church Hall – Alpha Retreat Day

11.30am – St John's – Baptism of Fergus Stewart Lockhart and Fergus Bromet

6.30pm – St John's – **Vigil Mass** – *livestreamed* 

#### Sunday 21 April – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.30am – St John's – Children's Mass (P4 Do This In Memory of Me) – livestreamed

11.00am-10.00pm - St John's - 40 HOURS ADORATION/QUARANT'ORE

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **P3 Children's Mass** – *livestreamed* 

7.00pm – St John's Hall – **Alpha Course** – Evening 8

View the **links for the Masses** by visiting our webpage: https://bit.ly/StJStMM



## 'SAINT' OF THE WEEK - Cornelia Connelly

Foundress of the Society of the Holy Jesus (1809-1879) – Feast Day: 18 April

"Is not our faith a sword of strength? I feel it so, my Lord."

Through much of her life Cornelia Connelly struggled hard to discern her vocation amid the claims and demands which others made on her. But when she was certain she had heard God's voice she stood firm, despite the terrible sacrifices this entailed.

She was born in 1809 to a wealthy Philadelphia family. In 1831 she married an Episcopal priest named Pierce Connelly. When his studies convinced him that Catholicism was the true religion, he renounced his Anglican orders and entered the Catholic Church. Cornelia joined him. Although in her conversion, as in many subsequent decisions, Cornelia was to some extent carried along by the tide of her husband's strong will, she too felt a call to holiness. She hoped to discover this in the setting of family life; circumstances dictated that it should come instead through suffering and sacrifice.

In 1839 Cornelia and Pierce, with their three children, were living in rural Louisiana, where they both taught in Catholic schools. A fourth child, Mary Magdalene, died after only seven weeks. Five months later, while

this wound was still fresh, their two-year-old, John Henry, was pushed by a dog into a vat of boiling sugar cane juice. He died forty-three hours later. During that time, as all the while she held his scalded body, Cornelia experienced a deep identification with the sorrows of Mary. When the child died on February 2, the feast of the Presentation, Cornelia wrote in her diary, "He was taken into the Temple of the Lord."

Later that year Pierce confided that he wished to seek ordination as a Catholic priest. Cornelia was stricken.



It would mean the breakup of the family and, for her, a lifelong commitment to celibacy. To her spiritual adviser she asked, "Is it necessary for Pierce to make this sacrifice and sacrifice me? I love my husband; I love my darling children; why must I give them up?" Still, the dutiful wife, she tried to believe in the coincidence between her husband's wishes and the will of God. So, she agreed to cooperate with her husband's plan. She accepted the trial of the celibate life and remained behind, pregnant with her fifth child, Adeline, while Pierce went off to Rome to explore the possibilities for his vocation.

Eventually Pierce summoned the family to join him. He had secured an audience with Pope Gregory XVI, who accepted his vocation and cleared the way to his ordination, provided Cornelia would make a vow of chastity. While Pierce pursued his studies, Cornelia lived with her children in the Sacred Heart convent on Trinità de Monte. Though Pierce visited once a week she was, for all practical purposes, quite alone. Prayer offered little consolation. She wrote, "Incapable of listening or understanding or thinking... I forced my will to rejoice in the greatness of God."

In 1845 Cornelia made the requisite vow and Pierce was ordained. It was not clear what she was now supposed to do. She supposed she would return to America. At this point, however, several bishops and priests urged her to go to England. There the struggling Catholic Church, emerging from long suppression, was undergoing a period of expansion and renewal. It was suggested to Cornelia that her true calling was to establish a religious congregation in England for the education of girls. Cornelia accepted the challenge, provided she could keep her children with her. And so, in 1846 she arrived in England to take over a newly built convent school in Derby.

There were numerous twists and turns in the foundation of this school and the community that attended it. But within a few years Cornelia and achieved some eminence within the English Catholic Church. In 1847 she took religious vows, and Bishop Wiseman formally installed her as superior of her congregation, the Society of the Holy Child Jesus. The name reflected her profound devotion to the Incarnation, specifically to the "humbled God" who had revealed himself in the form of a helpless infant. In this spirit she instructed her Sisters, "As you step through the muddy streets, love God with your feet; and when your hands toil, love Him with your hands; and when you teach the little children, love Him in His little ones." Her toil at this point was only beginning.

After only three years of her new life a new round of trials began. By this time Pierce had grown restless and dissatisfied with the priesthood. At first, he tried to interfere with and take over Cornelia's congregation. After she asked him please to stay away from her convent, he announced that he was leaving the priesthood and wished her to resume her marital duties. Once again Cornelia was appalled. Though her husband's will had led her to the religious habit, now that she wore it, it was her own, and she would no longer accept his word as the word of God. When she refused his demand, he brought a suit against her in a high ecclesiastical (Anglican) court. Now a professional anti-Catholic, Pierce painted a lurid picture of his wife being held captive by agents of Rome. Nevertheless, the court decided in Cornelia's favour. Enraged, Pierce retaliated by kidnapping her children and taking them out of the country. She was never to see them again.

Cornelia remained the superior of her congregation for over thirty years. During those years she saw new schools established in England, America, and France. Her congregation did much to promote the advancement and education of young women, especially the poor. Nevertheless, Mother Cornelia always bore the weight of her many sorrows. Towards the end of her life, she suffered from an excruciating case of eczema that gave her the appearance of a leper - as though, it was said, "she had been scalded from head to foot." It seemed she was revisiting in her illness the experience of her greatest sorrow as well as her deepest identification with the Holy Child. Now it was she who was to be offered in the Temple. On the day before she died, on 18 April 1879, she turned to the nursing Sister and exclaimed, "In this flesh I shall see my God!"

See: Mary Andrew Armour, Cornelia (Society of the Holy Child Jesus, 1979); Juliana Wadham, The Case of Cornelia Connelly (New York: Pantheon, 1957).

We continue to hold in our hearts those who are suffering – and all those who have lost their lives, or been held hostages – not only in Gaza and Israel but also in the war in Ukraine, and indeed in all the wars and conflicts in our world...

## A prayer for peace in Israel and Gaza

Christ, Prince of Peace,
hear our prayer and lament,
for our suffering sisters and brothers.
Our hearts are heavy as we witness lives torn apart,
as we see the faces of frightened children
and hear the pleas of those without water or food.

We pray for the dead and the grieving,
for the injured and the afraid.
We pray for courage and perseverance,
for those working for healing and to bring aid.
We pray for world leaders,
that they may strive for a just and lasting peace.

God of new beginnings,
in your ways are compassion and hope.
Open our hearts to dialogue and understanding.
Lead us all to answer your call
to become peacemakers today,
and all the days of our life. Amen

### **NOTICEBOARD**

Contact details for the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP):

By phone or text: 07752682213 - email: <a href="mailto:svpedineast@gmail.com">svpedineast@gmail.com</a>

**The Pamoja Fashion sale** last weekend raised £373.00 in help of Twende Pamoja ('Let's Walk Together' - for a better future in their Tanzania Communities). As always, many thanks to our supporters. The next sale will be on Saturday 4 May.



Next Saturday 20 April - St Columba's Justice and Peace Group The Saturday Talk – William More on "Aid to the Church in Need - Scotland"

> 9 Upper Gray Street Edinburgh EH9 1SN Coffee/tea biscuits from 10.00am Presentation 10.30am

William More is the Community Fundraiser for Aid to the Church in Need in Scotland, based in Edinburgh. He previously was a music teacher having set up his own practice. ACN is a Pontifical Foundation supporting the Catholic Community and Christians who are persecuted, oppressed or in Pastoral need. They are involved in 140 countries worldwide. They help with Emergency Aid and Reconstruction projects. They help train seminarians and support clergy in the Mission. William will detail their work, and current projects, and also focus on the changes to structure in Scotland, future plans and how we can get involved and support them. Admission is free.

#### **CONFERENCE ON GAZA - 27 April – 40 George Square, Edinburgh**

The Annual Runa Mackay Lecture is held annually in honour of Dr Runa Mackay, a founder member of Medical Aid for Palestinians.

'You are invited to attend the Runa Mackay Lecture on Saturday 27 April at 40 George Square, University of Edinburgh, from 12.30-4.45pm as part of a conference on what is happening in Gaza.

Here is the link to the flyer and registration for the conference:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/restoring-healthcare-in-palestine-tickets-875969407077

The lecturer will be Professor Ghassan Abu-Sittah, (who knew Runa when he was a medical student) whom you will know from his broadcasts from Al Shifa Hospital last October/November, and who has just been elected Rector of Glasgow University with a huge majority and the largest vote in many elections.

Other speakers are David Pratt, Foreign Editor of the Herald newspaper and Philippa Whitford MP who has spent many years supporting the women of Gaza as a cancer surgeon and also as a medical educator. Thank you for continuing to support Medical Aid for Palestinians.'

#### ANNIE THE MUSICAL – 1-4 MAY – PORTOBELLO TOWN HALL

Arlene Lauder writes: 'Annie the Musical is playing at the Portobello Town Hall from 1 to 4 May. This family friendly musical brings together a cast of local children and adults including a few familiar faces from the parishes; the children's cast includes Flora Gibson, Elise Aitken and Sophie Telfer and in the adult cast; Caitlin McGillivary and John and Arlene Lauder. To get your tickets for a night in New York City, head straight to the Stage Door Entertainment website or ask me or John for details.'

#### FROM ARCHBISHOP LEO'S "AD CLERUM"

**James McMillan event -** Join Sir James MacMillan, one of the world's most successful living composers and Scotland's best known Catholic musician, for a free talk at *St Mary's Cathedral*, Edinburgh, on **Tuesday 23 April** at 7:30pm. Sir James will explore how chant, as the music of Faith, has influenced the history of music. Register at <a href="https://bit.ly/StMarysM">https://bit.ly/StMarysM</a>

**Deeply Devoted -** Explore the rich history of Catholic Devotions at a special event on **Saturday 27 April** 11:00am-3:00pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. *Deeply Devoted* features inspiring talks and a free light lunch. Details and registration at https://bit.ly/deeplydevoted

**Pro-Life Chain, Edinburgh -** SPUC's Pro-Life Chain will be the main event of Edinburgh's Festival of Life on **Saturday 27 April** at 11:00am on Lothian Road. It will be preceded by the Rosary at 10:00am at Sacred Heart Church on Lauriston Street.

**Synod -** The Archdiocesan Synodal Team invites you to *Spiritual Conversation*, an event at Ss John Cantius & Nicholas in Broxburn, on **Saturday 4 May** at 10:30am. Registration and details at https://bit.ly/archsynod

Mass for Married & Engaged couples - The annual Mass for Married and Engaged Couples is at 7:15pm on Wednesday 29 May 2024 at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. Come and celebrate the gift of marriage, renew your commitment and receive God's blessing upon your love. Requests for special invitations for couples celebrating significant anniversaries can be made at <a href="mailto:vemarriage@staned.org.uk">vemarriage@staned.org.uk</a> or by calling 0131 334 1693.

**Save the date -** An Archdiocesan Lourdes Day takes place at Carfin Grotto on **Sunday 18 August**. The day will include Holy Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley. Details to follow soon.

**Assisted Pilgrims for Lourdes -** Do you know someone who is ill or infirm and would enjoy the opportunity to experience a life-changing trip to Lourdes? The Archdiocese is seeking *Assisted Pilgrims* to join them on the pilgrimage in July. They will receive 24hr support from the brilliant doctors, nurses and volunteers in the Medical/Helper Team and stay in specially equipped accommodation. It will be an unforgettable week with a full spiritual and social programme. Please contact Bernadette on 0131 441 1939 or visit <a href="https://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24">www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24</a>

**Events in the Archdiocese -** For a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese visit <a href="https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/">https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/</a>

### A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER – LUKE 24: 35-48

(*The author of this reflection is a friend of Fr Jock who lives in Northumberland*)

God never writes with straight lines. Sometimes he employs flawed individuals to do his bidding – as I know only too well. Life will invariably take an unexpected turn. 'I didn't see that coming' is a phrase we will use at least once in our lifetime. Sometimes we do see what is coming. And that is probably more unsettling. I well remember when I was hell-bent on self-destruction through alcohol, that God sent cohorts of angels my way. They all intoned the same mantra – not so many variations on a theme by Paganini as blunt speaking with all of the metronomic rhythm of Gregorian plainchant. All were ignored. What did they know? They had no idea what was going on. You're drinking too much; your alcohol consumption is out of control; you're killing yourself. Same tune, just different arrangements. It was boring – and I was bored with their ministrations. I knew better. I would prove them wrong. Then – 'Bang' – a brick wall. Addiction had won, I never even saw the wall, distracted as I was by the search for the corkscrew. I just didn't see it coming.

Did you have a 'second drawer-down? As kids, we did, and whatever we were looking for would be found in the second drawer down. The scullery at home was always short on space, lots of cupboards but only four drawers. The top drawer was the cutlery drawer. It would always stick and sometimes require a hefty pull with knives, forks and spoons sent crashing to the floor. It was not unlike Arkwright's till in 'Open All Hours.' It enjoyed a life of its own. Sometimes you were lucky – sometimes not. You could never tell. One evening, when I was about 9 or 10 and in the middle of my homework, I was searching for a rubber among the treasures of the second drawer-down. I never found the rubber – but I did find the upturned drawing pin with its sharp point going right down the inside of my fingernail, between soft flesh and hard keratin. Even typing the words this afternoon has me cringing. I really didn't see that coming. Even now, some 60 years later I treat drawing pins with a mixture of respect and pathological hatred. Even when they are used properly, they have a habit of piercing their imitation brass cap and spearing many an innocent thumb. Like fake Royal Mail stamps, they are probably cheap Chinese imports. I'll have a word with Ian Duncan Smith.

Many of the followers of Jesus really did not see the crucifixion coming. Riding on the crest of a hysterical wave, they fully expected their liberation from the oppression of Rome. This was to be their moment. The crowds that waved palms and clapped and cheered stared on in disbelief and jeered and spat at the broken bloody body that hung lifeless on the cross. How could he have been so cruel as to build up their hopes only to cruelly dash their aspirations. His demise would further embolden the Romans. That's the thing about occupying forces – they never know when to deist from the ritualized humiliation of their victims. The fawning, adoring crowds that waved palms as he rode into Jerusalem were horrified to witness his broken and battered body hanging on a cross, even as he breathed his last. They didn't see that coming. Our lives are full of surprises, events and happenings we didn't see coming. We think we are gods in our own lives, then God reminds us otherwise. It started with "Who told you that you were naked?', continued with 'Why are you so agitated?' in today's Gospel, and in my own case 'You are an alcoholic: you have no control over your addiction. Be humble and live or be arrogant and die.' The 9-year-old sipping his first ever Christmas Port would become the wreck admitted into Rehab and two drinks from death. He never saw it coming. Others did – he didn't! When we look closely at our own relationship with God in the person of Jesus Christ, we detect signs of an involved plotline. Our relationship has evolved and will continue to evolve. Life involves change: to be perfect is to change often. Events will happen that we didn't see coming. One way of looking at the way that the Bible unfolds, is to see it as an account of our quest for meaning and fulfillment. When I am alone, I turn the stereo to full volume (still a stereo for me - I have no need of Alexa - and I don't like the way she listens in!). I perform an impromptu duet with Diana Ross. The sheep and the dogs are puzzled, but they indulge me. Do you know where you're going to? Do you like the things that life is showing you? Do you know? No, I don't always – but I'm not frightened or fearful. Things will happen that I didn't see coming – but I will not become agitated.

God doesn't write in straight lines, He prefers flawed individuals to those that are flawless and at the end of the day, that is our real treasure and consolation. Remember, (Wo)Man proposes, God disposes.

## PARISH REGISTER

## Please pray for those who have died recently:

Patrick Philbin - Rev Stewart McGregor - Fr Martin Chambers

## Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

Jim McGovern - Barnie Quinn Christine Allan - Frank Bell Margaret Wagenbichler - Bob Kelly Bunny Scoular - Michael O'Neill John Freeman - Margaret Watret Mary Cole - Eric McFadyen Pat McInally - Nessie Cairns Harry Friar - Michael Hunter Isa McAfferty

# Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:

#### St. John's:

Betty Dougal, Robert Clark, Eddie Clark, Ian Thompson, John Lawler, Jimmy Curnyn, Pat Gilmartin, Charlotte and Fred McGregor, Baby Grayson McNally, Irene Flynn, Mike and Patricia Lawler, Anne Thomson, David Reid, Ann O'Brien, Kathie Gallagher, Diane McCarthy, Raymond Walker, Margaret Duffy, Mike Burns, Harry Allan, May Thomson, Carol Simpson, Kenny O'Connor, Rose Thornton, Mike Noonan, John Whyte, Maria Pacitti, Ann Dobie, Sheelagh Dobson, Chloe Sutherland, Ruth Vizor, Mary Grady, Pauli Walker, May Flynn, Vincent Knowles, young Saoirse Golden, Frances Cunningham, Sarah McManus, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Maureen Low, Mary Slight, Norman Telfer, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers and Marie Angela Crolla.

#### St Mary Magdalene's:

Jean Douglas, Monica Gorman, Sam Burns, Aisha Montgomery, Eleanor Campanile, John McLaughlin, Mary McGovern (jnr), Carolynne McCann, Tom Bauld, Jacqueline Marinello, Sandra Watt, Chris English, Andrew Farmer, Maria Scott Jnr, Louise Gorman, Bridget Malone, Charles Malcolm, Margaret Ryan, Julie Keegan, Annie Watson, David O'Donnell, Jude Ferguson and James Muir.

## Offertory 7 April 2024

St Mary Magdalene's, £249.26 total, including £171.06 Offertory and £78.20 Gift Aid.

St John's, £1672.38 total, including £316.98 Offertory, £612.40 Gift Aid, and £743.00 online donations.

#### Anniversaries:

#### St John's:

Apr.13: Bert Tow (2020); John Heron (2000); Michael Gilmartin (1994); John Burns (1945); Apr.14: Bunny Scoular (2016); Charles McCann (1998); Edmund Francis Flannigan (1992); Kathleen Scott (1986); Apr.15: John Freeman (2023); Josephine Day (2018); James P Igoe (2007); Richard Thompson (2001); Alexandrina R Mackay (2000); Mary Rae (1985); James Ward Sen. (1956); Andrew Mannering; Apr.16: Margaret Watret (2020); Elizabeth Delaney (2000); Veronica Rowley (1995); Elizabeth F Demarco (1985); Catherine O'Brien (1958); Mrs Duffy (1956); Apr.17: Michael Hunter (2022); Agnes Adamson (1990); John Rae Sen. (1976); Julia Lacey (1941); Apr.18: Eric McFadyen (2023); Robert Hazlett (1998); Apr.19: Isa McAfferty (2021); Johnny McCahill (2014); May Docherty (1988); Derrick Thomson;

#### St Mary Magdalene's:

**Apr.13:** Mary Cole (2023); Margaret Mills (2014); Janet Christie (1998); **Apr.14:** Teresa Vivien (1980); **Apr.15:** John Dubosz (1980); **Apr.16:** Pat McInally (2009); John O'Hara (2006);

## Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:

Mr Mega, young Zachary Cowie, Edith and Bill Edgar, Shirley Robertson, Catherine Monaghan, Norah Hardie, Jada Napier, Catherine, Princess of Wales, King Charles, Silvestro Demontis, Brian McGhee, Hal Hoare, Jennifer Lackie, Monique Kopp, Mary Lyons, Mark McCann, Lochie Murray, Elizabeth McKenzie, Jim Gray, Michael McKean, Steven Thornton, Ann Fleming, Marna Clarke, Raymond McCabe, Eugene Feehan, Mag Farnon, Ann Currie, Jacob Green (aged 13), Pat Campanile, Jill Harvey, Barbara Duff, Stephen Hirt, Mireille McNab (aged 13), Michelle Lee, Fiona and George McDermott, Michael Daly, Roger Bromley, Richard Reid, Douglas Edington, Anne Morris, Dr Grier Gordon, Rose May Mattison, Brian Gurney, Shirley Robertson, Miranda McDonnel, Mary Madden, John Wiggins, Lucy Pagett, John Curran, Saramma Samuel, Peter Robinson, Peter Hanley, Kate Titterington, Helen Robertson, baby Josh Simpson, Shona Killin, Tom Heeney, Mary Whyte, Tish Deacon, Elizabeth McGrath and Granny Elizabeth, Andrew Muldoon, John Havard, Mary Wallace, Ellen Green, Sophie Robinson, Louise Young, Tricia Scott, Harriet Wingfield Digby (aged 10), Alan Proudlock, Evelyn Walsh, Grace Stuart, David Fenwick, Maurice McAllister, Rita Noonan, members of the McGrath Family, Hans Zaunbrecher, Judith Franklin, Clare Johnston, Mary and Derek Lamarque, Keiran Smart (aged 16), Michael Doherty, Carol Turnbull, Jean Wylie, Angela Khan, Tara Kuppinger, Charlotte O'Brien, young Martha Moyes (aged 6), Jennifer Kay, Seval and Kazim Kazimoglu, Ann Watt (Mgr Rae's sister), Jan Meise, Tony Rigg, Stuart Falconer, Elizabeth and Gordon Marron, Katie McAnenny, John Kellagher, Ann Thorp, Dani Miniette, Peter Millar, Joan Murray Hamilton, Sr Margaret Mary, Betty Blyth, Lauren Fitzpatrick, Michael Igoe, Clare Richardson, James O'Rourke, Tommy Muir, James Shepherd, Andrew Franklin, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.