

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

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## Thirty Third Sunday of the Year (Cycle A) 16th November 2014

WELCOME!



### 'NAMETAG SUNDAY'

Fr Jock writes: 'Next Sunday at both St Mary Magdalene's and St John's will be our first 'NAMETAG SUNDAY' ... You will be given a label on which to write your name ... and, if you've been coming to either church for a long time, here's the chance to learn some of the names of those faces you've known for far too long to ask their name; if you're a relatively recent parishioner, the opportunity is yours to put names and faces together! Seriously, it's

very hard to develop a relationship with somebody if you don't know their name and community grows and deepens when the relationships within it grow and deepen!'

### MEMORIAL MASSES IN NOVEMBER:

Fr Jock writes: 'During the month of November, Catholics traditionally pray for those who have died. It is an opportunity for us to remember all whom we have loved. On behalf of our sister parishes, we would like to invite parishioners, relatives and friends to the Memorial Masses which will be celebrated in the coming weeks. The dates for the Masses are as follows:

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November: 7.30pm St John's**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November: 7.30pm St Mary Magdalene's**

During the Masses, there will be an opportunity to light a candle in remembrance of loved ones who have died. In addition, **if you would like the name or names of deceased relatives and friends read out, please do fill in the form enclosed in the newsletter and put it in the boxes at the back of both churches.** Our hope is that through the readings, music and symbolism, and the experience of sharing both faith and loss, those who are grieving will find comfort. If you would like to attend any of these services but require a lift please contact myself or the parish administrator on 669 5447.

**RCIA** The RCIA will meet on Wednesday 19th November at 7.30pm **not** Tuesday 18th November to allow people to attend the Memorial Mass at St John's that evening.

### SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

There will be a Special Collection at all Masses next weekend 22nd & 23rd November for the Pastoral Formation Fund.

### CHILDREN & YOUNG ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Mike Knox writes:

'It is clear that the support for, and the involvement of, young people is an area many parishioners think we should look at. With this in mind there will be 2 meetings in the Parish House this week on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th November at 7.30pm. On Wednesday 19th November there will be a meeting for any adults whether parents, teachers, grandparents, children's liturgy or sacramental leaders or anyone who would like to share their thoughts on this area. On Thursday 20th November there will be a meeting for any young adults in the 15/16 to late twenties age group. The aim of this meeting is not to set anything up but to look at what is important for young adults, what they think about the parish and the church and in what ways they could be supported by our community. We need to know what they think and to benefit from what they can teach us. We need to know their hopes and dreams so we can help them realise them. Those in Primary School and in 1st to 3rd year in Secondary School will also be consulted at a later date. We will then continue the conversation in the new year ...'

### MARY'S MEALS—ANNUAL RAFFLE AND RAGS TO RICHES CLOTHING COLLECTION

will take place next Saturday and Sunday 22nd & 23rd November. Frances O'Donnell writes '... A few Black Poly Bags filled with textiles could generate enough funds to feed a child FOR A YEAR (approx. £12.20). We are currently feeding over 868,746 children world-wide, and we hope to continue expanding our feeding programme. The rise is down to increasing food and fuel prices.' Mary's Meals Van will make their collection after Mass at both Churches on Sunday morning. They are appealing for **TEXTILES** in any condition (Clothes, Household Textiles, Shoes, Bags, etc). There will also be an opportunity to buy raffle tickets to support this excellent cause.

**Offertory Collection - 8th & 9th November 2014**

**St Mary Magdalene's - £238.97 St John's - £ 837.12**

**MANY THANKS.**

*St John's and St. Mary Magdalene's are Parishes of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh  
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# PARISH INTERCESSIONS

**Please pray for those who have died recently, including:** Bill Pollock, Ellen Landels, and Margaret Ross.

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including:** Sally Stone, Michael Clyne, William Cairn, Daniel & Matilda O'Lone, Alexander Pyper, Winifred Thomson, Helen Flynn, Thomas Gannon, Harry Lawler, James Meehan, John Hartnett, Annie Danial, Francis Flynn, Charles Jamieson, Ella Flynn, John Bannon, James Flannigan, Elizabeth Durkin, Alice McAuley, Peter Rennie, Patrick Ginnelly, Alfred Sivell, Andrew Stevenson, Mr & Mrs Donlevy, Patrick Loftus, Daniel Holligan, Mary Greig, Fred Aitken, Mary Reynolds Stewart, Hugh Campbell O'Neill, and Fr Gerry Jackson.

**Please pray for the sick of our sister parishes, including:**

**Sick Parishioners - St. John's:** George Hooper, Minnie McGaff, Baby Ailsa Fitzgerald, Kathy & Jimmy Gallagher, Jimmy Duke, Jane McGuire, Mona Scoular, Jenny Wormald, Mary Florence & Bob Crabbe, Betty Diponio, Erin Corbett, Sheila Alexander, Fay Dignan, Michael & Mamie Richards, Pat Kershaw, Joan Howie, Roz Byers, Helen Harrison, Cathy McGravie, Ann Ward, Alf Macnamara, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Malachy Meehan, Jane Murray, Paul Bainbridge, Gerry Houston, Lorraine Syme and Monsignor James Rae.

**Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's:** Betty McEwing, Annie Watson, Anne McGeachie, Mary Robertson, Maria Juska, Dennis Walker, Isobel Phillips, baby Khalia Jabir, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Silvia Berry, Tony Matrundala, Mary & James Muir, Liz Davis, Rose McKay, Jude Ferguson and Denis Davidson.

**Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including:** Margaret O'Byrne, Anne Gallagher, Margaret Davis, Esther Thomas, Christine Wilson, Dorothy Jamal, John Allan, Jane Morton, Tory Bekker, Christian Parham, Alfred Baird, Conor Kerrigan, Rupert Ridge, Jerzy Gladziuk, Vera Hawkes, Marie Crolla, Margaret Rose, Maria St. Denis, and baby Ray Donovan Syme.

## JUSTICE & PEACE: 'Prayer for Peace'

Jim Roarty writes: 'At the start of this season of peace and goodwill to all, please join us to pray for the lack of peace in our troubled world. A prayer service, lasting no more than an hour, will take place at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday, 6th December at 11.00am. The service, which will take place in the St Andrew's Aisle of the Cathedral, will include a communal liturgy as well as an opportunity to reflect on what the Word of God says to us about peace.'

## MASS TO LAUNCH THE YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE

We have been invited to send delegates from the parish to the Mass on Thursday 20th November to launch the year of Consecrated Life in the Archdiocese. Patricia Carroll writes: 'This will be especially suitable for lay people who are associates of religious orders, or third order members, or companion members living out a religious charism in daily life. Please encourage parishioners to participate in this and to give their prayerful support to the consecrated women and men of the Archdiocese.' Please come forward and let Fr Jock know if you would like to represent the parish at this Mass.

ARCHWAYS is the counselling agency of the Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh and aims to serve the whole community by offering accessible, professional relationship support. Financed by donations from clients and other generous benefactors, ARCHWAYS offers a free confidential counselling service for couples, individuals and families. Its highly qualified counsellors are trained to support those struggling with relationship difficulties, communication problems, stress & anxiety, relationship breakdown, sexual issues and bereavement. For more information or to make an appointment phone 0747 6509 903.

## SCOUTS OF EUROPE

A message from Anne McEvoy, Youth Ministry Coordinator: 'The Vatican-approved 'Scouts of Europe' Movement are holding a '**Come and See: Catholic Scouting Event**' in St Albert's Catholic Chaplaincy, George Square, Edinburgh, EH8 9LD, from 4-6pm on Saturday, 29th November. All parents/ and grandparents are invited to come along with their (grand)children, aged 10 and upwards, especially teenagers, who are interested in finding out more about traditional Faith-based Scouting that is uniquely fun, life-giving, formative and Catholic.' For more information contact Fr Lawrence Lew, OP <lawrence.lew@english.op.org.>

## St. Mary Magdalene's

**Readers for this Sunday:** Pat Marin & Robert Moyes  
... and for next Sunday: **Children's Mass**

**Bidding Prayers:** Kate Neilson  
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St Mary Magdalene's **Parish Open Meeting is this Sunday 16th November at 7pm**. Anyone needing transport please see Una Gallagher or ring her on 0131 657 2831.

Volunteers needed to sew small altar cloths. If you have a sewing machine and could help hem some small altar cloths, please see Kate Neilson or Jean McNally.

**Advent Wreath** Kate Neilson writes: 'Two volunteers are needed for each Sunday in Advent - one to light a candle on the advent wreath and one to read out a prayer. If you would like to volunteer, please add your name to the list on the noticeboard in the porch, indicating which Sunday you prefer.'

St John's Parish Open Meeting will take place next **Sunday 23rd November at 7pm** in the Church Hall.

## St. John's

## This Week

**SUNDAY 16th November: 11.15am: St Mary Magdalene's: Mass with Baptism of Baby Khalia Jabir**

**7pm: St Mary Magdalene's: ST MARY MAGDAELENE'S PARISH OPEN MEETING**

**MONDAY 17th November: 2.30pm: St John's Church: Mass with Anointing (Healing Mass)** - followed by the sacrament of reconciliation for those who wish. The Rosary will be recited at 2.15pm. All are invited to the Hall for teas and cakes after Mass. Please come forward ... if you are available to provide transport for housebound parishioners who would otherwise be unable to attend this Mass. If you are able to help, please contact Maria Igoe (669 2960).

**TUESDAY 18th November: 7.30pm: St John's Church: Memorial Mass**

**WEDNESDAY 19th November: Mount Vernon Cemetery**

Maria Igoe writes: 'The Legion of Mary will be going to Mount Vernon Cemetery to pray for the souls of their deceased members and their families. Anyone, who wishes to go will be very welcome, and even more so if you can offer transport. The time will be confirmed next week. For further information, please phone Maria Igoe - 669 2960'

**7.30pm: Lauriston Centre: 'CONVERSATIONS IN FAITH'**

'In an attempt to foster understanding and respect among people of faith, as a contribution towards world peace and to creating an international community of faith, Dr Anthony Allison on behalf of the Bishops' Committee for Interreligious Dialogue and in partnership with the Lauriston Jesuit Centre and the Archdiocese Commission on Ecumenism, will facilitate a series of conversations with people from the major faith traditions: Hinduism, Islam, Bahai, Judaism, Buddhism and Sikhism.' For further details contact 0131 229 9821.

**7.30pm: St John's Parish House: R.C.I.A. Group Meeting**

**7.30pm: St John's Parish House: 'CHILDREN & YOUNG ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITY'**

A meeting for any adults, whether parents, teachers, grandparents, children's liturgy or sacramental leaders, or anyone who would like to join the conversation about how we can more actively involve our young people in the parish community, and what we can offer in the way of support to young adults. To be followed by a meeting on ...

**THURSDAY 20th November: 7.30pm: St John's Parish House: 'YOUNG ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITY'**

An invitation to young adults from 15 to 25(+) to come and share their views about the parish and the church and to discuss what the parish can do to support young people in our community.

**7.30pm: St John's Parish House: Meeting of St John's Fabric Committee.**

**FRIDAY 21st November: 7pm to 11pm: Portobello High School**

**JAMBOREE FUNDRAISING CEILIDH**

'5 young Explorer Scouts from Craigentenny Scout Unit, 2 of whom go to Holyrood High School, have been selected to attend the World Scout Jamboree in Japan in July 2015. This is a fantastic opportunity for these young people and a once in a lifetime experience. To help raise funds for this to happen we have organized a family ceilidh night at Portobello High School on **Friday 21st November from 7pm-11pm**. A professional ceilidh band has been booked and supper is also included in the ticket price. Ticket prices: Adults £7, child from 5-15 years £5 and £20 for a family of 4. A bar service will also be available on the night. Part of the fundraising proceeds will go to help Scouts/Explorer Scouts in developing countries attend the event also. If you are interested please email [joan.m.thomson@btinternet.com](mailto:joan.m.thomson@btinternet.com) or telephone Joan Thomson on 07764 569662. Thank you.'

## In the Coming Weeks

**SUNDAY 23rd November:**

**9.30am: St John's Church: Mass** with a particular focus on the Primary 4 children preparing for First Eucharist and Confirmation. as part of the 'Do This in Memory' sacramental preparation programme..

**11.15am: St Mary Magdalene's Church: Children's Mass**

Sacramental preparation continues for Primary 3 candidates for First Reconciliation who are invited to the monthly Children's Mass at St Mary Magdalene's.

**5.30pm: St Peter's Church, Carmondean, Livingston, EH54 8PT. 'Mass for Young People'**

The Feast of Christ the King, traditionally a Youth Sunday, offers the opportunity to celebrate with other young people from the Archdiocese. Anne McEvoy, Youth Ministry Coordinator, writes: 'There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and opportunity for Confession from 4.30pm to which all are invited. Afterwards there will be refreshments and time for meeting and getting to know each other.'

**7pm: St John's Church Hall: ST JOHN'S PARISH OPEN MEETING**

**THURSDAY 27th November: 7.30pm: St Mary Magdalene's Church: Memorial Mass**

**AND COMING SOON...**

**WEDNESDAY 3rd December: 7.30pm: St John's Church: An Evening of Carols with 'THE EDINBURGH TELEPHONE CHOIR'** - and special guests, the St John's School Children's Choir. An unmissable event to raise funds in aid of the Ebola crisis. Spread the word!



## Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
<b>Saturday 15th November</b> <i>Memorial of St Albert the Great</i>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> Special Intention. (Thanksgiving to parishioners and friends.) <i>Morning Mass followed by the sacrament of Reconciliation</i> <b>6.30pm Vigil:</b> People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday 16th November</b> Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year	<b>9.30am Mass:</b> Special Intention	<b>11.15am Mass:</b> Guiseppe di Ponio
<b>Monday 17th November</b> <i>Memorial of St Elizabeth of Hungary</i>	<b>2.30pm Mass with Anointing:</b> Sam Kershaw <b>7pm to 8pm:</b> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
<b>Tuesday 18th November</b> <i>Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul</i>	<b>7.30pm Memorial Mass</b> Deceased members of the Hanley family	
<b>Wednesday 19th November</b>	<b>10.00am Communion Service</b>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> Bridget & John Ginnelly
<b>Thursday 20th November</b>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> Sally Stone	
<b>Friday 21st November</b> <i>Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	<b>10.00am Communion Service</b> <b>3pm to 4pm:</b> <i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> Special Intention
<b>Saturday 22nd November</b> <i>Memorial of St Cecilia</i>	<b>10.00am Mass:</b> Special Intention. <i>Morning Mass followed by the sacrament of Reconciliation</i> <b>6.30pm Vigil:</b> Special Intention. {Moira McDiarmid: in thanksgiving to Christ the King and the Holy Family}	
<b>Sunday 23rd November</b> <i>Solemnity of Christ the King</i>	<b>9.30am Mass:</b> Michael Clyne	<b>11.15am Mass:</b> People of the parish

**WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST MARY MAGDALENE'S:** *For a trial period of the coming 3 months, we will be using the front entrance (rather than the side door) for weekday Masses. The Masses will still take place in the side Chapel.*

**AND FINALLY ...** *The Blood Transfusion Service will be at Portobello Town Hall this Wednesday 19th November 2.30pm to 4.00pm and 5.30pm to 8.00pm.*  
**NEW DONORS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED.**