

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord – 25 March 2018

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.



CARDINAL O'BRIEN'S FUNERAL – 1pm - Thursday 5 April – St Michael's, Newcastle

Archbishop Leo sent the statement below to his clergy on Friday:

'Funeral Arrangements for Archbishop Emeritus Keith Patrick Cardinal O'Brien RIP.

After discussions between the family of Cardinal Keith Patrick O'Brien, the executor of his will, and the Holy See as represented by Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, the funeral arrangements for the late Cardinal are as follows:

The Requiem Mass will take place at the Church of St Michael, Westmoreland Road, Newcastle on Thursday 5 April at 1.00pm. As requested by the Holy See, the main celebrant and homilist will be His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster. The family have asked that donations be sent to the SCIAF Lenten Campaign in lieu of flowers please.

The interment of the body of the late Cardinal O'Brien will then take place at Mount Vernon Cemetery, Edinburgh on 6 April at 1.00pm. The Cardinal's body will be laid to rest in the grave of his mother and father. This was in accordance with wishes expressed by Cardinal O'Brien himself.

I also intend to offer a Month's Mind Mass at St Mary's Metropolitan Cathedral, Edinburgh, at 12.45pm on 19 April. As you know, in keeping with an ancient Catholic tradition, a Month's Mind Mass provides us with an opportunity to pray for the repose of the soul of the departed and for the forgiveness of their sins.

May he rest in peace.'

This Sunday is Palm Sunday ... and our Lenten journey culminates in the services during Holy Week. It is the most important week in the year for every Christian. Please follow Jesus from Palm Sunday through to Easter Sunday...and please continue to pray for our **RCIA catechumen Nadine Turnbull, and our candidates, Andrew Farmer, Lesley Irvine and Kenny Stewart Sturrock, who will be baptised/received, confirmed and make their first communion at the Easter Vigil this Saturday evening, 31 March.**

Please remember to return your SCIAF 'wee boxes' during the Easter Triduum – ideally before Holy Thursday so they can be included in that evening's Offertory Procession.

St John's Church will be open each day of Holy Week from 9.15am-7pm (nb new summer timing) - for quiet time for parishioners of both parishes and also for passers-by and anyone who would like to pop in.

There are two Passion/Easter Plays being performed this week – on Thursday at 11am (for parents, parishioners and friends) **in St John's Church**, the P4 children of St John's Primary are performing the musical 'Easter Story' while **on Sunday at 2pm in Duddingston**, there is 'To the Cross', performed every five years by a cast of professional actors and amateurs from the different local churches, including several parishioners from our two churches – **for more details see Notice Board - both highly recommended...**

Children's Stations: (9.45am - Good Friday – St Mary Magdalene's) – We are looking for children to read different stations – please contact a children's liturgy leader or Father Jock if interested/willing...

At the Good Friday Solemn Liturgy (3pm – St John’s), as you enter, you will be given a stone. When, later in the service, we process up to venerate the Cross we will also have the opportunity of leaving ‘our’ stone in one of the baskets at the foot of the Cross – **a symbolic way to leave our cares and worries at the feet of our Saviour, crucified out of love for us.**

Those attending the Easter Vigil are encouraged to bring small torches/mobile phones (on silent...) in order to be able to participate while the Church is in darkness.

Once again, this Easter we are collecting donations of Easter eggs at both Masses on Easter Sunday. These will be distributed to those in need and to Jericho House.

THIS WEEK

Saturday 24 March

12 noon – Nunraw Abbey – **Funeral Mass - Brother Kentigern OCSO**

6.30pm - **St John’s Palm Sunday Vigil Mass** with mini procession from hall to church.

Sunday 25 March

9.30am – St John’s – **P4 ‘Do This In Memory’ Mass (after a procession from the Park)**

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene – **Mass with Palm Sunday procession from the car park.**

Leaving at **1.00pm** (St John’s) - **Trip to the Cistercian Monastery at Nunraw**

2pm: - Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Rd, EH9 1BB – **Archdiocesan Young Adults Gathering**

‘Archbishop Leo Cushley would like to invite you to join him for a gathering of young adults from across the Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh. **2pm:** Talk by the Archbishop **4pm:** Holy Mass. **5pm:** Buffet supper and time to socialise. All young adults are very welcome.’

6pm – St Mark’s - **Inter-Church Youth Group.**

Monday 26 March - 7.00pm – St John’s – **Ecumenical Stations of the Cross – followed by refreshments in the Hall**

Tuesday 27 March

6pm – St Mark’s Episcopal Church, 287 Portobello High St – **Service of the Shadows (Tenebrae)**

7pm – St Mary’s Cathedral – **Chrism Mass with Archbishop Cushley and the priests of the Archdiocese.**

Wednesday 28 March – 2pm-8pm – **St Mark’s Episcopal Church – Walking the Labyrinth.**

‘Come and walk the Labyrinth – a Path of Meditation and Reflection during the Holy Week’.

Thursday 29 March – HOLY THURSDAY

11am – St John’s – **Easter Play – a St John’s Primary School P4 Musical. All Welcome.**

7.30pm – St Mary Magdalene – **Mass of the Lord’s Supper** – followed from

..9-11pm – St Mary Magdalene - **Watching with Jesus in the Garden of Gethseane** (the Day Chapel)

Friday 30 March – GOOD FRIDAY

9.45am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Children’s Stations of the Cross** – followed by a walk to St John’s for the 10.45am joint service

10am – **Service at PJPC**(Portobello and Joppa Parish Church) followed by a walk back to St John’s for

...10.45am ...for a (very short) **Ecumenical service** (followed by tea, coffee and hot cross buns in the Hall).

3pm – St John’s – **Solemn Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion**

7.30pm – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Stations of the Cross.**

Saturday 31 March - Holy Saturday

10am – St John’s – **Morning Prayer and the Office of Readings.**

8.30pm – St John’s - **Easter Vigil with Baptism and Confirmation of RCIA catechumen and candidates**....followed by a Celebration in the Church Hall.

Sunday 1 April – EASTER SUNDAY

9.30am – St John’s – Easter Children’s Mass with baptism of **Antonio Crolla, Shay Graham, Millie Rose Helen Jean Telfer and Malin Telfer.**

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene’s – Easter Children’s Mass with baptism of **Helena Filis, Emilia Elizabeth Dick.**

2pm – Duddingston Village – TO THE CROSS, a Passion Play.

IN THE COMING WEEKS:

Thursday 5 April

1pm - Church of St Michael, Westmoreland Road, Newcastle – Requiem Mass for Cardinal Keith O’Brien.

Friday 6 April - 1pm – Mount Vernon Cemetery – Burial of Cardinal O’Brien.

Saturday 7 April

10am-1pm – St John’s Hall – Pamoja Fashion Sale

10.45am – Parish House - Lectio Divina – All welcome

Sunday 8 April - 12 midday-1.30pm – St Mark’s Episcopal Church – Light Lunch and the Creation of a Fabric Square based on 'What Love means to you': ‘Anyone who would like to work with us on this project and would like further details, please contact Sheena McDonald, ☎07981 297805.’

Tuesday 17 April

7pm - St Andrews, Ravelston, Belford Road, Edinburgh EH4 3DS – SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Thursday 19 April

12.45pm – St Mary’s Cathedral – Month’s Mind Mass for Cardinal O’Brien, celebrated by Archbishop Cushley.

NOTICEBOARD

To The Cross – 2pm - Easter Sunday – Duddingston Village and Kirk

Chris Jones writes: ‘Every five years since 2003, a production of the play has been performed in the village of Duddingston and in the beautiful grounds of Duddingston Kirk. It takes place this year on Easter Sunday at 2pm and is free (though you can contribute to help with the substantial cost). It is based on the Gospels and the poetry of Michael Justin Davis, and produced by Charles Nowosielski (who first heard the Michel Justin Davis reflections at Fr Jock’s Stations of the Cross in Musselburgh in the late 1980’s). A large cast of professional and amateur actors follow the Passion of Christ. In scenes akin to a mediaeval outdoor passion play, the plot develops with the audience following and becoming part of the action.

This is a joint venture between Theatre Alba and local churches. Several of our parishioners from St. John’s and St. Mary Magdalene’s are taking part, with Fr. Jock, Dr. Jack (of Duddingston Kirk) and Dr. Sophia Marriage (of St. Mark’s) starting the proceedings. Parking is available at Holy Rood High School. Please support this very worthwhile venture. It will be a long time before the next one! Leaflets are available at the back of the church.’

SAFEGUARDING - For those parish volunteers with PVG who were unable to attend one of the required training courses held recently in St Mary’s, Leith, there are two further opportunities for attendance at dates fixed for courses being held in Edinburgh.



These are as follows:

Date: **This Monday 26th March - 7pm - and Tuesday 17 April - 7pm**

Venue: St Andrews, Ravelston, Belford Road Edinburgh EH4 3DS

All volunteers are urged to try and attend one of these events, which last approximately two hours.

Please inform Peter Gillam (07771982177) for St John’s volunteers or Alison Connelly for St Mary Magdalene’s volunteers if you intend attending, so that the person conducting the course can be notified of the identity and number of attendees.

A CONCERT WITH RAB HOLLIGAN (part of The Wild Horses Tour) – this Sunday, 25 March - 7.30pm
– Portobello and Joppa Parish Church, 44 Abercorn Terrace –

Tickets £7 – for further info, contact stewartweaver@btinternet.com or 669 2410. Rev Dr Stewart Weaver writes: ‘We’ve hosted Rob before and he is coming back for another concert. Last time was a terrific treat and this time will be no

different. I was doing a bit of research and discovered not only that Rob has recently travelled to Syria to visit refugees in a centre near the border, but that he himself lost his father in 9/11. This song was played during a service just before the last time he did a concert and many expressed their appreciation of it: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tRTU9JaMFzY>.’

Portobello Holiday Club 2018 – Teambuilders –



Michelle Brown writes: ‘This summer, our Portobello Holiday Club is running for the fourth year with six area churches working together. From the 16 to the 20 of July from 9am to 12:30pm, our halls at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church and at St Mark’s Scottish Episcopal Church will be full of children and volunteers exploring the *Teambuilders* summer holiday club material from Scripture Union. We will be welcoming in school-aged children each morning of the week to take part in arts and crafts, games, music, drama, gardening, baking, Bible study, worship, snack and many surprises throughout the week. There will also be a crèche available for volunteers’ children younger than primary school. We hope your family will join us! Registration is now open. Contact Michelle Brown at portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com to get registrations forms. The cost is £1 per day per child. We are also recruiting volunteers to help with all aspects of the holiday club. If you can give a full week in July to this ministry, or even if you can only give a day or two, we’d love your help. We’re looking for help with games, arts and crafts, baking, music, drama, AV technology, snacks, crèche care, administration, small group leaders, and much more. There will be a training morning for the full team on a Saturday in June and a further team meeting in July. All volunteers will need to complete an application form for Michelle Brown and sort their PVG record application with Carol Brackenridge. New volunteers also need to get one reference, plus a minister reference. Please note that this year we are leading this holiday club without Scripture Union so the forms for volunteering and registering will be different. If you are interested in helping with our ecumenical holiday club or if you know any secondary students who might be interested in volunteering as Junior Helpers then please speak with Michelle Brown via email at portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com We would love to have as many helpers as possible as the more volunteers we have, the more families we can welcome to take part.’ **The St John’s and St Mary Magdalene’s contact is Lynda Kazimoglu.**

Holy Rood RC High School News:

Joan Daly writes: ‘Here is this week’s update of recent events/news from Holy Rood, your Cluster Secondary School.

- We are delighted to announce that the **Holy Rood Young Ambassadors** (Kaiden Craig, Adobe Obika, Ruth Quill, Sinead Fielding and Cara Murie) won the **Young Ambassador Team of the Year**. Cara Murie in S6 won joint **Young Ambassador of the Year**. The pupils were presented with their awards at Prestonfield House Hotel.
- **S2 Mercat Tours** – 199 S2 pupils cohort attended full day “Edinburgh Experience” excursions courtesy of our valued partners Mercat Tours. We are very grateful to the Brogan family for providing our pupils with this invaluable insight into tourism as a career in the capital.
- We are proud to say that 39 S6 pupils achieved the **Caritas Award** and the school was commended for very high standards during the verification process. The pupils will also receive their SQA Level 6 Faith, Beliefs and Values Award.
- Congratulations to Laila Shabestary in S4 for qualifying for the next national stage of the **Brain Bee Competition**. The first round of this human neurology competition required a great deal of preparation on particularly difficult subject matter. Well done to Laila and good luck for the next stage
- Date for your diary - **Expressive Arts Showcase** will take place on Thurs 19 April at 6pm. Come along and let our pupils entertain you with a selection of Art, Design, Drama, Music, Media and Photography. All welcome, refreshments will be provided.
Please follow us on twitter @HolyRoodRCHigh.

PARISH REGISTER

*Please pray for those who have died recently: **Cardinal Keith Patrick O’Brien, Wilfred Killerby, Luigi Massella, Margaret Jameson, Brother Kentigern Heegan OCSO (of Nunraw)***

*Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: **Geraldine O’Hanlon, Ellie Meagher, Simon Benson, Liz Davis***

St John’s :

Mar.24:- Sarah Waugh (2010); Barbara Conlon (2009); Margaret Phair (2007); Alexander Sharp (1997); Bernard Coll (1965);
Mar.25:- Margaret McCartney (2012); Frank Connelly (1992); John Allen (1964); Maurice Brosnan; Natalie Valente; Mar.26:-
Mary Brown Fusco (2005); Angelo Young (1995); Mar.27:- Eileen McCann (2017); James Lacey Jun. (1991); Alice Baron (1970);
Dorothy K Lynch (1964); Sarah Ferrier; Mar.28:- Bridie Hughes (1994); Charles Marrins; Edward Baxter (Killed in action)
(1943); Mar.29:- Constance Miller (2013); Robert Duffy (2011); Charles Herriott (1998); John Ogilvie; Mar.30:- Tom Thomson
(2017); John Harkin (2003); Giuseppina Nicora (1947); Jean Joyce

St. Mary Magdalene’s :

Mar.25:- Stephen Archibald (1998); James Donoghue (1983); Kathleen Edwards (1981); Mar.28:- Eileen Valentine (2013);
Mar.30:- Christina Renton (1980);

Please pray for the sick of our sister parishes, including

Sick Parishioners - St. John’s: Kate Walsh, Jimi Boyle, Rose Thornton, Mary Phair, Alan Lugton, Mary Glancy, Cathy McGravie, Jean McCraw, Joan Howie, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Kitty Dykes, David Codling, Ernie Moran, Norman Telfer, Philip Jamieson, Matthew Harvey, Maimie Richards, Patricia Lawler, Aodhan Dempsey, Helen Hanlon, Patricia Davies, Tina Cupo, Pat Hunter, David Thom snr, Anna Butler, James Sangster, Patricia Crawford, Guilio Crolla, Alf Macnamara, Patrick McCafferty, Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Grady, Jane McGuire, Kathy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Ann Ward, Gerry Houston, and Lorraine Syme.

Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's: Carolynne McCann, Kate Neilson, Jimmy Kesson, Tracey Moohan, Agnes Harvey, Maureen Scott, Bridget Malone, Charles Malcolm, Ella Ayers, Pat Marin, Margaret Ryan, Jacqueline Hannan, Chris English, Julie Keegan, Rose McKay, Denis Davidson, Laurie Wallace, Elizabeth Mackail, Betty McEwing, Annie Watson, Isobel Phillips, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Jude Ferguson, Mary & James Muir.

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: Maria McConnell, Maureen Connolly, Edith Lautner, Allan Crombie, James Devlin, Fred and Diana Hibbert, Sr Helen McLaughlin, Jean Nelson, Joseph Daly, Joseph Jordan, Vic Legrix, Vera Hegarty, Hew Dalrymple, Irene Baillie, Eileen Daly, Geraldine McGreavy, Joanne Cooper, Roksana Moczulstra, Wendy Lochhead, Eleanor Brennan, Ann King, Joan Brooks, Sr May Lewis, Philys Sutherland; Mary Turnbull, Stuart Falconer, Jonty Savage, Julia Jared, Anne-Marie Bevan, Ellen Green, Mario Chianto, Caroline Narrie, Kathleen McConnell, Jake Jordan (aged 18), George Collins, Margaret Robb, Sr Anne Doherty SND, Ena McCann, John Donnelly, Noel Flanagan, Austen Tod, Peter Kent, Isabel Bolus, Isabel McInrue, Christopher Browne, Marie Crolla, Margaret Rose, Vera Hawkes, Conor Kerrigan, young Ray Donovan Syme.

	ST MARY MAGDALENE	ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
Offertory Collections		
18 March	£240.25 (inc £47.00 gift aid)	£632.78 (inc £297.71 gift aid)

Thank you for your generosity

ST MARY MAGDALENE

Readers for Sunday

Bidding Prayers

25 March

Laura Tweedie & Robert Moyes

Jean Douglas

1 April

Children's Mass

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Saturday 30 March

Chris Vinestock, Colette Dempsey, Violet Paterson

Sunday 1 April

Eddie Clark, Pauline Connarty, Pauline MacInnes, Anne Dixon, Anna Tanzi, Eileen Rennie, Penelope MacLellan Hawkes, Evelyn Buckley



Welcome to the world.....Joseph Michael Young, born last Friday, 16 March, a first child for Laura and Keith.



Warm birthday greeting to Mike Knox (still in Tanzania), **65** on Tuesday 12 March.

Easter Offering envelopes are available at the back of the Church.

"Eucharistic Ministers for Holy Week/Easter - 'Names in bold type to set up, please'.

Jim Roarty writes: 'For Holy Thursday and the Easter Vigil Mass, the Eucharistic Ministry will be shared with St Mary Magdalene's. The St John's ministers are as follows:

Holy Thursday 7.30pm St Mary Magdalene's: Bozena Tansey, Tracy Burgess

Good Friday 3pm St John's: **Linda Moran**

Easter Vigil 8.30pm St John's: **Chris Vinestock**, Colette Dempsey, Violet Paterson

Easter Sunday 9.30am St John's: **Eddie Clark**, Pauline Connarty, Pauline MacInnes, Anne Dixon, Anna Tanzi, Eileen Rennie, Penelope MacLellan Hawkes, Evelyn Buckley



Chris Vinestock writes: 'Thank you to all those who came along on Thursday and gave our church a "facelift" in preparation for Easter.'

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For all those who use Gift Aid envelopes, the new Gift Aid envelopes commencing 1 April 2018 are now available for collection from the back of the church. If you are not currently a member of this Scheme and would like to start, please do get in touch with Karen, our Parish Administrator who shall send you out a pack for you to complete and return.

Maria Igoe writes:

- There will be a trip to Nunraw this **Sunday 25 March**, leaving from St John's at 1pm. If you wish to go, please contact me (☎ 669 0247.)
- **Mary's Meals backpacks** - Your donations have been very generous. Please now give new or second hand clothes suitable for school eg shorts or skirt, t-shirt or dress, flip-flops or sandals for children between 4 and 12 years.
- **The Annual Legion of Mary Acies** - service of consecration to Our Lady -- will be held on Saturday 7 April at 3pm in St Catharine's Convent, Lauriston Gardens. Active members, Auxiliary members and other friends of the Legion will be very welcome. For further information please contact me ☎ 669 0247.'

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 24 March	10.00am: – Anne Gallagher 10.30am: - Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – SI 7.30pm: - Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sunday 25 March PALM SUNDAY – OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	9.30am:- Mass – People of the Parish	11.15am:- Mass – SI
Monday 26 March	10am:- Mass– Mary O’Rourke 7.00pm – Ecumenical Stations of the Cross	
Tuesday 27 March	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	9.25am-9.55am:- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass – Alan Knight
Wednesday 28 March	10.00am:- Mass (with St John’s P4) – Ronnie Peters	
Thursday 29 March THURSDAY OF THE LORD’S SUPPER	No Eucharistic Service at 10am because of 10am – Easter Story – A St John’s Primary P4 Musical [for the school] 11am – Easter Story [for parents and parishioners]	7.30pm:- Mass of the Lord’s Supper – Gerry Power Snr – 9-11pm – Watching with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane
Friday 30 March FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	3pm – Solemn Liturgy of the Lord’s Passions, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion	9.45am – Children’s Stations of the Cross 7.30pm – Stations of the Cross
Saturday 31 March Holy Saturday at the Tomb of Christ	10.00am: – Mass - Morning Prayer and the Office of Readings 8.30pm – Easter Vigil – People of the Parish - with Baptism and Confirmation of RCIA Catechumen and Candidates	
Sunday 1 April EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	9.30am:- Easter Children’s Mass with Baptisms - Ellie Meagher	11.15am:- Easter Children’s Mass with Baptisms - Liz Davis