

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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Solemnity of Pentecost – 20 May 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.



This Sunday is the great Feast of PENTECOST (and also one of our two 'Nametag Sundays' in the year - the other is the Feast of Christ the King in November).

There will be second collection in aid the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund next weekend.

This Saturday 19 May at 7.30pm in St John's Hall - An Invitation to a Fundraising Concert for 'MUSIC FOR YOU'.

'Jeremy Devlin-Thorp (until recently leader of the St John's music group) and Tricia Whyatt work together as 'Music for You', taking music into the homes of the elderly or housebound to brighten their day. Since last summer they have given 20 'house concerts' and they are constantly receiving requests from people who live locally in their own homes. House concerts are given entirely free of charge.

Join them for an evening of musical variety on piano, harp and voice; all funds raised will enable Jeremy and Tricia to bring music and joy to even more elderly or socially isolated people.

Bring a bottle - soft drinks, snacks, tea, coffee and cake provided...

Next Sunday, 27 May - A CLUSTER PICNIC AT THE CISTERCIAN ABBEY OF NUNRAW (near Garvald, East Lothian)'

The parishes's social co-ordinator, Catherine McAnenny writes: 'A bring and share picnic – Coach travel cost **£5 for adults and £2 for children** - - it was a very enjoyable event last year and it would be great to see as many people – including families going. **The bus will be leaving St John's at 12.30pm prompt.**

THIS WEEK

Saturday 19 May

10am - St John's – **BEREAVEMENT MASS**

12.30pm – St John's – **Baptisms of Max Kane and Innes Hay**

7.30pm - St John's Church Hall - **Fundraising Concert for 'Music for You'** (See above)

Sunday 20 May – THE FEAST OF PENTECOST (and Nametag Sunday!)

9.30am – St John's – Mass with baptism of Joseph Goodfellow

12 noon - Carfin – Legion of Mary Thanksgiving Day

'This year the Legion of Mary celebrates 90 years since the Legion came to Scotland. A bus will leave St John's at 12 noon and return at 7pm. There will be Mass at Carfin at 3pm and a Rosary Procession at 4.30pm. If you wish to go, please contact Maria Igoe 669 0247.'

7.30pm – Portobello and Joppa Parish Church - PACT (Portobello and Area Christians Together) Meeting

Tuesday 22 May - 7.30 pm - Mayfield Salisbury Church Hall, 18 West Mayfield, Edinburgh, EH9 1TQ -

Edinburgh Newman Society Meeting - Prof. Tom O'Loughlin, University of Nottingham, will speak on "**The Eucharist, Yesterday and Tomorrow**" - 'All are warmly welcome to this meeting. We ask for a small donation to cover our costs.'

Wednesday 23 May

11.30am – Portobello Cemetery - **Burial of Michael Richards' ashes. (Private ceremony)**

3pm – St Catherine's Convent – **Edinburgh Deanery Priests' Meeting**

Friday 25 May

6pm – St John's – **Wedding rehearsal for Grant Lennox and Dany Walker**

7.30pm – St John's Hall – **Celebration Evening for the Musicians of the two parishes of Jeremy Devlin-Thorp's leadership** of the St John's Music Group over 20 years (and to mark his stepping down from that leadership.)

7.30pm – Lauriston Jesuit Centre – **Bishop Robert Bourgon** – '**Amoris Laetitia – What's it all about?**' – followed by a Q and A session – Admission by donation. '**Amoris Laetitia – The Joy of Love** is an Apostolic Exhortation by Pope Francis which addresses the pastoral care of the family. Join us at the Lauriston Jesuit Centre and hear why it has the potential to change lives from a Canadian Bishop who believes in its message for church and society'

Saturday 26 May –

12 midday-3pm – St Martin's, Magdalene Drive (EH15 3DE) – **OPEN DAY - St Martin's Parish Church Opens Its Doors** - Refreshments provided

12 noon -1pm. Faslane Royal Naval Base, Gareloch

Ellen Charlton writes 'You are invited to take part in a peace witness with Bishop William Nolan (President of Justice and Peace, Scotland), Susan Brown (Moderator of the Church of Scotland) and a representative of the Episcopal Church at the following :- Scottish Christians Against Nuclear Arms (SCANA). Further information from ellen.charlton@hotmail.com'

1pm – St John's - **Wedding of Grant Lennox and Dany Walker**

2.30pm – **Rosary Procession**

'The Procession will begin at 2.30pm from the Convent of the Missionaries of Charity, 18 Hopetoun Crescent, EH7 4AY and end with the crowning of Our Lady in St Mary's Cathedral. All welcome.'

Sunday 27 May

Nunraw Abbey - **CLUSTER PICNIC**

6pm – St Mark's/St John's (tbc) – **Youth Group Meeting**

IN THE COMING WEEKS:

Tuesday 29 May – 7pm – Gillis Centre - **Launch of the Diocesan Pro-Life Office** - with Archbishop Cushley, and a guest presentation by John Deighan, Chief Executive of SPUC Scotland.

Thursday 31 May – 7pm – St Mary Magdalene's – **Reconciliation Service for First Communicants – and rehearsal for those making their First Communion at St Mary Magdalene's**

Friday 1 June – 9.30am – Holyrood Park – **Fresh Start Sponsored Walk**

Friday 1 June/Saturday 2 June – St Mary's, Leith – **Enneagram Weekend for Cluster Pastoral Councils**

Saturday 2 June – 10.30am - Parish House - **Lectio Divina** – Everyone Welcome

Sunday 3 June

The Annual Summer Pilgrimage to St Margaret's, Dunfermline (see Noticeboard below)

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **First Communions**

Monday 4 June - - 7.30pm – Lauriston Hall - **Brian Purfield** will speak on '**The Gospel of Creation: Reflections from St Francis of Assisi and Pope Francis.**'

Sunday 10 June –

9.30am – St John's – **First Communions**

11.30am (NB Change of Time) – St Mary Magdalene's – Sunday Mass.

7pm – St Mary Magdalene's - **St Mary Magdalene Open Parish Meeting**

Friday 15 June – 7-9pm – St John's Church – **Charity Piano and Choir Concert** (see noticeboard below for further details)

Saturday 23 June – 7.30pm – Canongate Kirk – **St Andrew Camerata (Directed by Vincent Wallace) - Johannes Brahms' Ein Deutsches Requiem.** Tickets £12 (conc £8) – available in advance from Usher Hall Box Office – www.usherhall.co.uk – 0131 228 1155

NOTICEBOARD

Diocesan Pro Life Initiative

There is a new Pro-Life Office at the Gillis Centre –...if anyone is interested in becoming one of two parish reps in this area could you please approach Fr Jock.

THE ANNUAL ST MARGARET PIGRIMAGE – Sunday 3 June

From 11am visit sites associated with St Margaret's Life...1.45pm. Gather at Pittencrieff Park gates for procession ...3pm Mass at St Margaret's Memorial Church. For more information – www.stmargaretsdunfermline.co.uk

Bethany Update - A message from the J&P Group

'The winter night shelters for the homeless provided by Bethany Christian trust finally finished for this winter on 22 April.



Over this period, teams from St John's and St Mary Magdalene's provided a hot meal for the people using the night shelters on eight evenings. This involved forty-four different people from our two parishes, with some giving their time on two or more evenings over the season. In that time, we will have provided in excess of 400 meals.

Everyone involved seems to have found it a very enjoyable and satisfying experience – working with friends, making new friends from our two parishes, and in particular, providing a service to people who need it (and indeed, very much appreciated it). We will be offering our services again for next winter, possibly increasing the number of evenings we take on. Anyone who would like to add their name to the volunteer list should contact Jim Roarty (jimroarty4@gmail.com).

**DON'T
MISS OUT!**

FIGHT THE FAMINE - A CHARITY MUSICAL CONCERT – 7pm on Friday 15 June in St John's Church – with Fr Elephtherios, the Russian Choir, and the St John's and St Mary's Leith Primary School Choirs

The Greek Orthodox Priest and Classical Pianist, Father Elephtherios, will be back for another Piano and Choir Concert performing this time with the St John's and St Mary's, Leith, Primary School Choirs plus the Russian Choir. This concert is free **but there will be an opportunity to donate on the night to the Yemen Relief Fund - The United Nations Refugee Agency is appealing for emergency funds to help tackle this major humanitarian catastrophe. There will be free refreshments and nibbles during the interval.**

A VISIT FROM PETER PEPPER MAGICIAN AND ENTERTAINER



Catherine McAnenny writes: 'We have organised a fabulous treat for the children, the amazing Peter Pepper, magician & entertainer is coming to St John's Hall on Saturday 16 June from 3pm to 5pm for 3-8 year olds.

Tickets will be £4 per child & will include a drink and a snack. Tickets will be on sale after Mass at both churches in the coming weeks or alternatively contact me on 07968970159.' Spaces will be limited so get your ticket early to avoid disappointment! All welcome

PORTOBELLO HOLIDAY CLUB– 16-20 July – A Request for Seeds and Cuttings



Rev Sophia Marriage, (St Mark's, Portobello) writes: 'at the Holiday Club we always have a section for gardening in which we try to reflect the stories in the world around us. We try to do this on a shoestring budget. If you are planting seeds or taking cuttings in the next few weeks, could you take few extra for us and nurture them between now and July please. This year we're looking for flowers in these colours: orange, yellow, purple, white and red. Many thanks....' - **and many thanks to Florence Ekenendo, who has become the St Mary Magdalene representative on the Holiday Club Organising Committee.**

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**.

- Some of our S4 pupils who are being presented for 5 or more National 4 exams are engaging in a 3 week skills and employability "**Meaningful May Programme**" with many employers visiting school and pupils out of school on curricular trips. With one week almost completed, pupils have already benefited from sessions from Barclays Life skills and a visit to the Apple Store as well as many other in-house activities.
- We are delighted with our successes in the **UK Maths Junior Challenge**. This year our pupils have achieved 14 awards: 1 gold award (An outstanding achievement for Matteo Maiello), 4 silver and 9 bronze awards. Well done to all the pupils involved.

- Our S1-3 pupils are enjoying the **Varsity Sporting Challenge** and competing with pupils in Portobello High School of a similar age in many different sports.
- We are now 3 weeks into the diet of **SQA Exams** and we ask your continued prayers for all S4-6 pupils who will sit SQA exams over the remaining 2 week period.

Please follow us on twitter @HolyRoodRCHigh

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: Douglas Murison, Maureen Collie

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Fr Norman Cooper, Gordon Campbell, Brendan Boyle, Winifred Maughan, Ian Gorman

St John's :

May 19:- John Cook (2003); Catherine Cunningham (2003); Zelinda Tesoro (1992); Elizabeth Bryce (1986);
 May 20:- Margaret Macmillan (2008); Fr.Norman Cooper (1996); May 21:- Lindsay Gordon (2013); Catherine Brock (2009); Mary Meagher ; Patrick O'Flaherty; May 22:- Harry McKenna (1988); Archbishop Andrew J Macdonald (1950); May 23:- Alice Holligan (1929); May 24:- John Birrell (2000); Frank Gaffney; May 25:- Maureen Leitch (2009); Dorothy Flynn (1988); Mary Foley (1992);;

St. Mary Magdalene's :

May 19:- Patrick McGuinness (1971); Frank Finnegan (1967); May 22:- Fraser Morrison (1993); May 23:- Mary Pelosi (1992); May 25:- John Laughlin (2000); Mary Hunter (1967).

Please pray for the sick of our sister parishes, including

Sick Parishioners - St. John's: Lena Mancini, Eddie Clark, Kate Walsh, Anna Butler, 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, Maimie Richards, Patricia Lawler, Aodhan Dempsey, Helen Hanlon, Tina Cupo, Pat Hunter, David Thom snr, 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,, Lorraine Syme.

Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's: Jimmy Kesson, Michael McPhilipp, Jane Skey, Kate Neilson, Tracey Moohan, Agnes Harvey, 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: Martin Doherty, John Clark, Michael Calvey, Maureen Connolly, Edith Lautner, Joseph Jordan, Allan Crombie, Fred and Diana Hibbert, Sr Helen McLaughlin, Jean Nelson, Joseph Daly, 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 19), 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, Patricia Davies

	ST MARY MAGDALENE	ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
Offertory Collections		
13 May	£268.30 (inc £130.00 gift aid)	£885.67 (inc £350.40 gift aid)
Communications Sunday	£104.05	£350.32 (inc £10.00 gift aid)
	<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	

ST MARY MAGDALENE		
	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
20 May	Laura Tweedie & Robert Moyes	Jean Douglas
27 May	Willie Montgomery & Anne Jabir	Aileen Hall

200 Club Draw If you are interested in joining this Club, please contact Madge and Rob Moyes direct.

A REQUEST FOR HELP FROM THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



Geoff Dobson writes: 'Are you free to help clean SVP caravans between 10am and 1pm on this Saturday – the 19th – and following two Saturdays: 26th May and 2nd June. **We need two or three extra people only.** We are quite stretched manpower wise and need eight people in total each Saturday, 2 per caravan. If interested could they approach Geoff either after Mass or on 07808 029 391. **This is quite an urgent need. 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 so that we know who can come when.'

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

ST JOHN'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY NEEDS YOU!



Julie Harris writes: 'We have a thriving Children's Liturgy here at St John's. Some of the current adult volunteers are stepping down after many years' service and we need new helpers! We have 2 groups – one from baby/toddler to Primary 2 and the other from Primary 3 to Primary 7. This is a very rewarding and uplifting role and we're looking for new helpers for both groups starting from August. If you think you may be interested, please contact Julie

Harris on 07919 525872 or julieharris@allanmcdougall.co.uk. We can arrange for you to sit in for a session or two before the summer so you can decide if it's for you!'

Saturday 26 May

G Sellar, M Spencer,
V Paterson

Sunday 27 May

T Burgess, PMaclellan Hawkes,
P Glancy, A Dixon, J Rynn



Linda and Ernie Moran would like to thank everyone for their good wishes, gifts and cards on the occasion of their recent golden wedding.

Cycle Rack – there is a cycle rack at the side of the church (Sandford Gardens). All cyclists are warmly invited to use this facility.



Closing the Church – it would be greatly appreciated if we could recruit a few more people to help with closing the church in the evenings. If you are interested in assisting with this please do get in touch with Fr Jock or with Christina Vinestock.

Maria Igoe writes:

- 'May Devotions will be said at Our Lady's Altar after Mass on Mondays and Wednesdays during May. The Pro-life Rosary will continue on Fridays.
- With the great success of the 'Rosary on the Coast' event, you may wish to re-engage with the Rosary, especially if you have lost touch. There is an inspiring programme on 'You Tube' -- Franciscan University Presents 'Champions of the Rosary'. In this programme Fr Don Calloway discusses his book with Dr Scott Hahn and 2 other academics. They discuss how the Rosary was instrumental in their conversions and the impact of this devotion since the 13th Century, when it was given to St Dominic.
- **Due to parishioners being on holiday, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday evenings will be suspended for 3 weeks. It will recommence on Monday 4th June at 7pm.'**

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Growing in freedom and openness

Communion is mutual trust, mutual belonging; it is the to-and-fro movement of love between two people where each one gives and each one receives. Communion is not a fixed state, it is an ever-growing and deepening reality that can turn sour if one person tries to possess the other, thus preventing growth. Community is mutual vulnerability and openness one to the other. It is liberation for both, indeed, where both are allowed to be themselves, where both are called to grow in greater freedom and openness to others and to the universe.

Jean Vanier

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 19 May	10.00am:- BEREAVEMENT MASS – Michael Richards 10.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – Fr Joe Portelli	
Sunday 20 May SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST	9.30am:- Mass – People of the Parish	11.15am:- Mass – Ian Gorman
Monday 21 May	10.00am: - Mass –Annie Roden [No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament]	
Tuesday 22 May	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	9.25am-9.55am:- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.am:- Mass – Canon Mike Bagan
Wednesday 23 May	10.00am – Mass – Theresa Cannon	
Thursday 24 May	10.00am – Eucharistic Service	10.00am:- Mass – Eileen Draper
Friday 25 May	9.00am–9.55am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass – Winifred Maughan 3pm: - Divine Mercy Devotions	
Saturday 26 May St Philip Neri - Memorial	10.00am:- Mass – Douglas Murison 10.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – Brendan Boyle	
Sunday 27 May SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	9.30am:- Mass – People of the Parish	11.15am:- Mass – John Prior Jnr