

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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7th Sunday of the Year – 24 February 2019

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.



The next Baptismal Preparation Course will begin at 7.30pm in the Parish House this Wednesday 27 February – with the second session on Wednesday 13 March.

Our three monthly Bereavement Mass will take place next Saturday 2 March at 10am at St John's – All Most Welcome

This Sunday 24 February (10 and 24 March) – The second of four evenings of A Pastoral Care Course – new participants welcome

The course is run by the Ignatian Spirituality Centre in Glasgow for all the PACT Churches - at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church – 7-9 pm.



Catriona Fletcher and Fr David Birchell SJ of the ISC write: 'The course is aimed at those people who are based in the churches of Portobello, Duddingston, Magdalene and Bingham who are involved in visiting and pastoral care. We shall be looking at ways of making our pastoral care more effective and deeper spiritually. Topics will include: *Our Personal Faith Journey, Listening Skills, Supporting Contemporary Families, Scriptural/Theological Basis for Pastoral Care, Being comfortable with Spiritual Conversations and Praying with others.*'

Fr Jock writes: 'If you missed the first evening, you will still be very welcome at this one...do come along – and, if possible, let me know that you plan to do so...nearly 40 folk gathered from five different churches to enjoy a stimulating and thought provoking evening.'

TRIPHONIA MBUYA

Mike Knox writes from Tanzania: 'Triphonia died last Saturday after a long illness, bravely borne. She was 62. Her funeral took place yesterday (Thursday 21 February) in Legho.

The Requiem Mass took place in a packed church after the Rosary was said around her coffin by everyone including the Primary School children outside the main doors. She was then welcomed into the Church. After the Mass she was taken home by the whole congregation and buried there. This is the custom in the Kilimanjaro Region.

Triphonia was a teacher in Legho Primary School for many years along with Seraphin her husband, who was also the Head Teacher. They both worked hard to develop the Partnership with both our Parishes and the Primary School. Triphonia visited St John's on two occasions, one of which was with Seraphin. They welcomed many of our community to their home to stay or to visit.

Seraphin and their sons and daughter would like to thank the Parishes for their prayers over these recent weeks. May she rest in peace.'

Fairtrade Fortnight 25 Feb – 10 March

From the Justice and Peace Group: ‘This is the fortnight when we take the opportunity to remind people of the good work being done by Fairtrade to provide producers in poorer countries with fair prices and a decent standard of living. Of course, this only works if we buy goods from Fairtrade sources so look out for them when you are doing your shopping – the few coppers more it costs you represents a huge benefit to those at the other end of the supply chain.’



For this Fairtrade Fortnight, two events to call to your attention:

Sat 2 & Sun 3 March – Fairtrade stall at St John’s after the vigil and Sunday morning Masses

Sat 9 March - 10.30 – 3.30 - Portobello Town Hall. - Edinburgh Fairtrade Festival with:

- ❖ Free Fair Trade Refreshments
- ❖ Fair Trade Stalls
- ❖ Speakers (including an international Fair Trade producer)
- ❖ Kids’ Activities...Arts & Crafts...Choir’

This Friday 1 March – Duddingston Kirk World Day of Prayer – 10.30am

‘Every year Christians of many traditions and all ages from more than 180 countries throughout the world, come together to worship in over 1000 languages on the first Friday in March. Services are held all around the world, beginning in Tonga and New Zealand in the east and continuing throughout the day to Samoa and Alaska in the west. Duddingston Kirk will host a service at 10.30am on Friday, 1 March. This year, the service has been prepared by the women of Slovenia, one of the newest countries in Europe. “We, the women of the World Day of Prayer Committee of Slovenia heartily embrace you into this gathering.” The theme of the service is ‘Come - Everything Is Ready’ based on the Bible story of the man who prepared a banquet for his friends then one by one they made excuses not to come. All welcome to this ecumenical service. Refreshments will be served in the Garden Room following the service. For more information please call Anne McCrossan, 283 7193 or e-mail anne@parametersevents.co.uk’

[Mass at St John’s will be at 9.45am to enable people to attend both]



THIS WEEK

Saturday 23 February

10.30am - St Columba’s – **Caring for Creation – Speaker: David Bethune Programme Co-ordination, Eco-Congregation of Scotland)**

11am – St Ninian’s - **Thanksgiving Mass for the Golden Jubilee of the Religious Profession of Sister Joan McGuinness, Sisters of Marie Reparatrice**

11am-2.30pm – Blessed John Duns Scotus Centre, 270 Ballater Street, Glasgow - ‘**A Day with Frank Duff**’

11am-3.30pm – Gillis Centre – **Day for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

1pm – St John’s – **Baptism of Arlo Caraffi**

6.30pm – St John’s – **Children’s Mass with P4 ‘Do This in Memory’ and P3 ‘Reconciliation’ children.**

7.30pm - St Mary, Star of the Sea, Leith - **Race Night to raise funds for St Catherine’s Convent Homeless Project**



Sunday 24 February

10.30am - St Mary, Star of the Sea, - **Family Mass and Parish Eco event.** ‘Fair trade snacks Unveiling of new artwork in the hall Plus presentations and discussion on being a more sustainable and environmentally friendly parish. All very welcome.’

1pm - leaving St John’s - **Trip to Cistercian Monastery at Nunraw**

6pm – St Mark’s – **Inter-Church Youth Group. (P7 to S5 – for more details, contact Fr Jock, or Natalie Kane – nataliecantlay@hotmail.co.uk)**

7pm – PJPC, I Brunstane Rd North – **Pastoral Care Course (the Second of 4 Evenings)**

Monday 25 February

10am - St Mary Magdalene's – **Requiem Mass for Margaret Hancock**

7.00pm – St John's Hall – **P3 Reconciliation Preparation Meeting** (Children & Parents)

7.30-9pm - **An Evening at the Lauriston Centre, 28 Lauriston St – with Fr Xavier Jeyaraj of Jesuit Missions – 'Is Leadership too Important to be Left to Leaders?'**

'Fr Xavier will speak about how we can respond to the challenges of social justice, Care of Creation and leadership from an Ignatian perspective. Free event, all welcome' . .

Wednesday 27 February (and Wednesday 13 March) –

7.30pm – Parish House – **Baptismal Preparation Course**

8-10pm – The Dalriada – **Refugee Reflections - Impressions and Experiences from a front line worker** (Portobello resident Gica Loening, back recently from a month at Samos Refugee Camp where 5000 people have been living in makeshift tents)

Friday 1 March

10.30am - Duddingston Kirk - **World Day of Prayer** (see above)

6pm – Wedding Rehearsal for Hamish Campbell and Charlotte Lawton

Saturday 2 March

10am - St John's – **Mass for the Bereaved**

10am – 1pm - St John's Hall - Pamoja fashion

10am-4pm – Carberry Estate – **A Quiet Day for Lent** (see noticeboard below)

3pm – St John's – **Wedding of Hamish Campbell and Charlotte Lawton.**

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Sunday 3 March – 11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Rite of Pre-Insription for RCIA candidates.**

Monday 4 March

2.30pm – St John's - **Healing Mass**

7.00pm – St John's – **First Reconciliation for P3 Candidates** with celebration afterwards in the hall

Wednesday 6 March – **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Saturday 9 March – 10am-4.15pm - Conforti Institute - **Pax Christi Event** (see noticeboard below)

Saturday 16 March – 10-1pm – St Teresa's, Craigmillar – **Lenten Retreat for our Cluster Parishes with Fr John O'Connor OP**

Friday 29 March – 8pm – St Mary Magdalene's Church Hall - **Joint Parish Quiz Night**

NOTICEBOARD

ST JOHN'S CHURCH – LIGHTING REPLACEMENT

Chris Vinestock and the St John's Fabric Team write: 'Work commenced on Tuesday

5 February on the long planned renovation of our lighting - and will continue over a period of approximately 12 weeks.

During this time the church will be closed from Monday to Friday each week, reopening throughout Saturdays and Sundays providing an opportunity for private prayer, Mass will be celebrated at the normal times.



On weekdays Mass/Eucharistic Services will be held in St John's Hall –
Masses will continue as normal at St Mary Magdalene's in the Day Chapel (though on
Wednesday and Thursday rather than Tuesday and Thursday)

****please always refer to Masses, Devotions and Services insert for times****

Notices will also be displayed at the front door of the Church. We are sorry for any
inconvenience caused during this essential work.

JOINT PARISHES QUIZ NIGHT – A FUNDRAISER FOR STEKA



Friday 29 March- St Mary Magdalene's.

Catherine McAnenny writes: 'As part of our fundraising efforts for STEKA, we are having a joint parish quiz night on Friday 29 March at 8pm in St Mary Magdalene's Church Hall. Tickets will be £5 per person which includes nibbles. It's also BYOB (bring your own bottle) & we will have a small raffle on the night. Tickets will be on sale after Sunday masses from both Madge Moyes & myself.'

A QUIET DAY IN PREPARATION FOR LENT - Saturday 2 March 2019 – 10am -4pm – Carberry Tower

'Lent is a time to take breath, to slow down, to prepare for the rollercoaster of Holy Week and Easter. The day will be punctuated with reflections and communal prayer but will mainly be a contemplative space giving time for God to speak into the passions, struggles and vulnerability of our lives. There will be an opportunity to walk in the beautiful grounds of Carberry Estate. **Availability is limited so please book as soon as possible.** Refreshments will be provided. Please bring a packed lunch. Hosted by Healthlink 360, Elphinstone Wing, Carberry, Musselburgh EH21 8PW. Facilitated by Sharon Laidlaw and Duncan Hughes of the Epiphany Group. Donations of between £5 to £30 welcome. For further details and to book dghughessc@gmail.com'

PAX CHRISTI SCOTLAND – PREPARING FOR PEACE – 9 March – Conforti Institute

Marian Pallister, Founder & Chair, ZamScotEd writes: 'Many of you joined us for our Pax Christi Scotland event in November last year at the Conforti Institute. We hope you may be able to join us again on March 9, same venue. The invitation is open to all who may be interested in progressing peace in the home, the parish and the school.

Booking is through Anna at Conforti (anna@confortiinstitute.org) and closes on March 4. The event itself costs £12 (very generously subsidised by the Xaverians), £5 voluntary donation for students and those on low income). If you would like to stay overnight on the Friday (10am registration on the Saturday morning), the cost is £35 B & B (again, generously subsidised by the Xaverians). I will be posting the information on Facebook and Twitter - please share if you see it there in our Facebook Group. Pax Christi Scotland would be very happy to see you on 9 March.

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Bethany – Safe Night's Sleep

'Some of life's greatest pleasures are often very simple, like climbing into bed with freshly washed sheets.



Sadly, for many who are forced to sleep rough, this reality is but a dream. Unfortunately, the number of people who are forced to sleep rough is on the rise. The Winter Care Shelter's new permanent location at Diadem, on Gorgie Road, ensures that we are able to provide much improved facilities and a safe and warm night's sleep to homeless people in Edinburgh. Instead of a mat on the floor, we want to be able to provide a bed but we need funds for **beds, pillows and sheets as part of our #SafeNightsSleep campaign.** Donate today at bethanychristiantrust.com to make a difference in someone's life who is homeless and sleeping rough on our city's streets.'

Double your Money - Double the Love! – Mary's Meals

A reminder that, till 1 March, all donations to Mary's Meals "Double the Love" appeal will be matched by the UK Government so for every £1 you donate, Mary's Meals will receive £2 to help children in the poorest parts of the world not only to be fed but also to be educated (or to put it another way - for every £13.90 you donate, Mary's Meals will be able to feed two children for a year). Go to marysmeals.org.uk to donate.'

JOB VACANCY – 'Disabled man requires Personal Assistant, 16 hours per week - Niddrie area. Ref: TS IMC -

The person, a parishioner of St Teresa's, is looking for a PA to assist with independent living. He requires assistance with a variety of tasks for example, cooking, socialising, shopping, dealing with correspondence, and some personal care. The successful applicant should be a non-smoker, friendly and approachable. Please note he is a cat owner. The

post is for 16 hours per week. This will be split over 4 shifts but you will be required to work on a Saturday between 10am and 3pm and the remaining hours will be worked on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. **Rate of pay: £9.18 per hour. From 1 April 2019, this should rise to, at least, £9.54.** Additional hours may be available to cover for holidays and sickness. To apply for this post, you can download an application pack; [TS IMC Application Pack 2018](#) or request a pack to be emailed or posted to you by emailing the job ref TS IMC to pajobs@lothiancil.org.uk

Holy Rood RC High News

Joan Daly writes:

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

- The S6 annual Stay Awake was a huge success with pupils raising over £2207. This will go directly to our Lenten Charity, which pupils will vote for in the coming week.
- The updated programme of supported study opportunities is available on our website, with over 23 subjects represented. This is a fantastic opportunity for pupils to gain additional support and exam practice at lunch times and after school in the lead up to the SQA examinations, which begin on 23 April. The S1-3 Extra-curricular opportunities have also been updated:- <http://www.holyroodrchighschool.co.uk/?p=1312>

Date for your diary :-

- S4/5 parents/carers - a session to support your son/daughter in the lead up to and throughout the SQA examination period **Stress Relief and Study Techniques** in school on **Monday 4th March** from **6-7pm** (return sign up form to reception)

Please tell your friends and families to follow us on twitter @HolyRoodRCHigh’

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

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently: Triphonia Mbuya, Patsy Murphy

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Una O’Reilly, Josie Flanagan, Gerry Wynne, Eileen Mandal. Gerald Stone

St John’s :-

Feb.23:- John Hughes (1990); Feb.24:- Josephine Broadley (2006); Mary McPartlin (1989); Luisa Iannarelli (1978); Richard Rooney; Charles Wynne; Feb.25:- Agnes Watters (1999); Thomas Robb (1997); Mary Young (1903); James Hanlon; James Keegan; Feb.26:- Betty Rope (2009); Mary Green (2006); Helen Molloy (1968); Bridget Meehan (1958); Edward Magee (missing 1944); Filomena Perilla; Feb.27:- William Murray (2010); Fr. Walter Glancy (1980); Sean O’Donnell(1969); Susan Passmore; Feb.28:- Mary Meenan (2014); John Patrick McTighe (2009); Peggie McGill (1998); James Alexander (1975); Mary Coll (1974); Bernard Macnamara; Baby girl Lamb (1967); Rita Deignan; Mar.1:- Lauren (baby) Grassick (1998); Gerald P Stone (1972);

St. Mary Magdalene’s :-

Feb.24:- Mary Coll (2004); Feb.27:- James Cranston (1983); Feb.28:- Adele Croskery (2016);

Sick Parishioners - St. John’s: Mary Slight, Penelope McLellan Hawkes, Jean McCraw, David Thom snr, Mary Glancy, Marie White, David Robertson, Cathy Walls, Anna Butler, Mary Phair, Carolann Cranston, Sara Alkahankni, Lena Mancini, Rose Thornton, Alan Lugton, Mary Glancy, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Kitty Dykes, Ernie Moran, Norman Telfer, Philip Jamieson, Maimie Richards, Patricia Lawler, Helen Hanlon, Pat Hunter, Patricia Crawford, Guilio Crolla, Alf Macnamara, Patrick McCafferty, Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Grady, Kathy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Ann Ward, Lorraine Syme.

Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene’s: Sheila Service, John Newell, Ray Donnelly, Louise Gorman, Michael McPhilipps, Agnes Harvey, Bridget Malone, Charles Malcolm, Ella Ayers, 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: Anne Pancott, Pat Dignan, Sharon Anderson, Igor Rekowski, Colette Woods, Emilia Iheji, Maureen Henderson, Peter Hanley, Jean Vanier, Margaret Jamieson, Margaret Walker, Ellen Kelly, Joanna Lamb, Jimmy Loughran, Pez Nye, Hazel Marshall, Joseph Jordan, Sr Veronica Marshall, James Clerk, Alice Doherty, Martin Doherty, John Clark, Maureen Connolly, Diana Hibbert, Sr Helen McLaughlin, Jean Nelson, Joseph Daly, James Sangster, Irene Baillie, Eileen Daly, 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, Ellen Green, Mario Chianto, Caroline Narrie, Kathleen McConnell, Jake Jorden, George Collins, Margaret Robb, Sr Anne Doherty SND, Ena McCann, John Donnelly, Noel Flanagan, young Ray Donovan Syme.

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Offertory Collections	ST MARY MAGDALENE	ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
17 February 2019	£382.23 (including £103.00 gift aid)	£835.58 (including £372.83 gift aid)

Thank you for your generosity

ST MARY MAGDALENE

	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
24 February	Catrina McGillivray & Olaf Pusch	Peggy Ferguson
3 March	Tessa Haring & Sam Henry	Jean Douglas



If you are not currently a member of the Gift Aid Scheme and would like to start, please do get in touch with Jean McNally who shall send you out a pack for you to complete and return.

Open Church - It is proposed to open St Mary Magdalene's for parishioners and the wider community on Ash Wednesday 6 March and Thursday 7 March. The idea is to keep the Church open after Mass until say 3pm. There will be adoration in the Day Chapel and areas for contemplation, prayer, reading and reflection in

If you have any items for the newsletter, we would be grateful if they could be handed in or emailed to the parish office by 3pm on Wednesday....Thank You!

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST			
Saturday 2 March	C Vinestock, J Kemp, M Reilly	Sunday 3 March	L Moran, T Spence, C Volpe, P Whyte, A Dixon

Warm birthday congratulations to Dave Connarty, 60 on 16 February

❖ **The next Pamoja Fashion Sale** will be held on Saturday 2 March from 10am-1pm in St John's Hall – All welcome

The Healing Mass will be celebrated in St John's on Monday 4 March at 2.30pm. The Rosary will be said at 2.15pm and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after Mass. Please feel welcome to come to the Hall afterwards for tea and home-baking. If you require a lift, phone Maria Igoe 669 0247.



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Chris Vinestock writes:- 'Lighting Works in the Church. As you will have noticed, the Church will be closed during the week whilst the contractors are working. Please can you help us clean and prepare the Church for our weekend Masses. The cleaning will commence at 3pm on Fridays. A Volunteers Sign Up list will be at the back of the Church.'



Masses, Devotions and Services

	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene
Saturday 23 February St Polycarp - Memorial	9.00am–9.50am: - (Church) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am – Mass – Vincenzo Alonzi 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – (Church) – Una O'Reilly	
Sunday 24 February 7th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am:- Mass – (Church) – SI (Lena Mancini 100 th birthday)	11.15am:- Mass - People of the Parish
Monday 25 February	10.00am – Eucharistic Service - (Hall)	10.00am:- Requiem Mass for Margaret Hancock
Tuesday 26 February	10.00am:- Mass - (Hall) – SI	
Wednesday 27 February	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service (Prayer Room – Parish House)	10.00am:- Mass – SI Thanksgiving
Thursday 28 February	10.00am:- - Eucharistic Service - (Hall)	9.25-55am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass – Gerry Wynne
Friday 1 March	9.45am – Mass – (Hall) – Josie Flanagan 3.00pm: - (Parish House) – Divine Mercy Devotions	
Saturday 2 March	9.00am–9.50am: - (Church) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am – Bereavement Mass – Eleanor O'Donnell 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – (Church) – Canon John Angus McQueen	
Sunday 3 March 7th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.30am:- Mass – (Church) – People of the Parish	11.15am:- Mass - Rosanna Sultana

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