

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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15 January 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR



'Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John [the Baptist] said 'Look, there is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world'

(John 1:29)

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated in most parts of the world between 18 and 25 January (the 25th being the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul). Here in Portobello, Duddingston, Magdalene and Bingham, **we will be celebrating it this coming week (Monday 16 to Friday 20 January) by meeting at lunchtime (12.30pm) for a 10–15-minute service of prayer, followed by a shared soup lunch**, each weekday in a different church, including at St Mary Magdalene's on Monday and St John's on Thursday. (On Tuesday we will be at St Mark's, on Wednesday at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church, and on Friday at Portobello Baptist Church). Please do work for the unity Jesus wanted by supporting these lunches...

This Sunday there will be a White Flower Leaving Collection for SPUC (the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child). SPUC 'wants a world where abortion is unthinkable, and is raising awareness of the widespread problems of abortion coercion. According to an independent poll, 87% of GP's are concerned that the Government's 'pills by post' scheme leaves women vulnerable to coerced abortion. SPUC is calling on the Prime Minister to condemn this tragedy. Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC defend unborn babies and their mothers and fathers by highlighting this urgent crisis.'

In addition, **the handout in this week's newsletter** focuses on the decision on 25 November 2022 by the UK High Court to reject the appeal of Heidi Crowter, a 27-year-old woman with Down's Syndrome, who had been protesting against the current law, which allows abortion right up to the second before birth for foetuses likely to be born with severe physical and mental abnormalities - including Down's.

If anyone is struggling around these very sensitive issues, please don't hesitate to make contact with Fr Jock (07765 692884).

THE ST JOHN'S 9.30am MUSIC GROUP ARE LOOKING FOR A NEW PIANIST

Donna Buchan writes: 'The Sunday morning music group are looking for a new pianist (following on Jeremy's retirement) to join their ranks. If you or someone you know can play and would be interested in joining and be able to commit to however many Sundays a month would suit you, please leave your details and some info about your playing experience with Enrico, our administrator in the Parish House, or with Fr Jock and someone will get back to you. We would love to welcome a new member to our group.'

CALLING ALL FIRST COMMUNICANT PRAYER PARTNERS

Arlene Lauder, our Sacramental Preparation Team coordinator, writes: "At St Mary Magdalene's this Sunday 15 January 2023, we will have our first 'Prayer Partner Meet and Greet' for those parishioners who kindly signed up to pray for our P4/First Communion children. Prayer partners are welcome to meet their young person at St Mary Magdalene's after Mass where the Sacramental Team will be on hand to help with introductions. There will be a second chance to meet after Mass at St John's on Sunday 5 February 2023. Thank you for being open to this opportunity to support our young parishioners.'

First Communicants (and their Parish Prayer Partners in brackets): Addison Creanor (*Gena Gallagher*), Aidan Dunleavy (*Valeri Fairley*), Albie O'Halloran (*Julie Harris*), Alex Buczynski (*Eileen Igoe*), Carter Gibson (*Cristina Maiello*), Cristian Andreucci (*Mary Iannarelli*), David Ilie (*Adela Ilie*), Drew Calder (*Marie McLeod*), Ellis Barrett (*Marie Volpe*), Evie Coulson (*Mary Fenwick*), Fearne Crooks (*Julie O'Hanlon*), Felix Butas-Markusz (*Anne Jabir*), Flora Gibson (*Scott Craig*), Georgie Currie (*Ruth Vizer*), Grace Gambo (*Charlotte Lauder*), Hubert Piwowarczyk (*Isobel Forbes*), Hugh Archibald (*Rossana Velazio*), Ignacy Balcerzyk (*Stuart McClelland*), Jordan Ovie (*Carol Simpson*), Joshua Bold (*Pauli Walker*), Julian Orszt (*Rosalind MacKay*), Katie Shepherd (*Tolu Ariba*), Luca Maiello (*Hugh Aitken*), Lucas Robertson (*Anna Tanzi*), Michael Pettigrew (*Maureen Brogan*), Millie Telfer (*John Lauder*), Oliver Lukasik (*Frances Archibald*), Rhia Turnbull (*Christine Turnbull*), Sarah Henderson (*Maggie Flannigan*), Sorley MacLulich (*Jeremy Thorp*), Stanislaw Jung (*Bronagh Power*), Sunny Stewart (*Louise Holden*), Umberto Crolla (*Mike Kinane*), Victor Aimanosi Adamu (*Una Gallagher*)

THREE EVENINGS WITH THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

This Thursday 19 January – at 7.00pm in the Parish House Meeting Room - there will be **the second of three Evenings, reflecting on and praying with, the Gospel of Matthew.** Fr Jock and Bernadette Campbell are offering these evenings on the Gospel (the focus for this liturgical year). The sessions will be divided into two halves: during the first 45 minutes, Fr Jock will outline the background, origins and themes of the Gospel; then Bernadette Campbell, a parishioner and trained spiritual guide, will offer some reflective prayer on/with parts of the gospel, with the opportunity for faith sharing. **(The third evening will be next Thursday, 26 January..**

For those who can't attend Thursday evening's meeting, we are offering two other ways to join in.

Join live, via Zoom.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82129912925?pwd=MkcvOW41ZXRxMHNjSlpXMnlUOXVBUT09>

(or type [shorturl.at/ptFWZ](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82129912925?pwd=MkcvOW41ZXRxMHNjSlpXMnlUOXVBUT09) into your browser)

This will let you listen and take part on the night.

Listen later.

If you would like to listen to the talk but can't be available on the night, we will make an audio recording.

This will be available to listen after the event.

<https://www.stjohnsportobello.co.uk/resources/gospel-of-matthew-talks>

and our [Facebook page](#)

Appropriately enough, **next Sunday, the third Sunday of the Year, is the Sunday of the Word of God**, a feast introduced by Pope Francis in 2019.

Our next two evening Baptism Preparation Course will take place at 7.30pm in the Parish House on **Wednesday 25 January** and **Thursday 2 February**. If you would like a child baptised, please make contact with Fr Jock.

OUR CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME IS ABOUT TO BEGIN...If you would like your P7 (or older child) to be enrolled for the programme – which will culminate in confirmation by Archbishop Cushley in May – please make contact with Bronagh Power (07902 607936) or with Fr Jock.

THIS WEEK

Saturday 14 January

6.30pm – St John’s – **Vigil Mass** - livestreamed

Sunday 15 January – 2ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9.30am – St John’s – **Children’s Mass with P3 Reconciliation Children**– livestreamed

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Children’s Mass with P4 First Communion Children (and ‘Prayer Partner Meet and Greet’)**

Monday 16 January

10.00am – St John’s – **Mass** – livestreamed

10.30am – St John’s Hall – **January Charity Coffee Morning** (in aid of “Chance for Childhood”)

12.30pm – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity prayer and lunch**

7.00pm – Parish House – **St John’s Pastoral Council Meeting**

8.15pm – Zoom - **Gospel Sharing** (click [here](#) or type shorturl.at/GSXZ9 in your browser)

Tuesday 17 January

10.00am-12midday – St John’s Hall – **Warm Spaces**

12.30pm – St Mark’s Episcopal Church, 287 Portobello High St – **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity prayer and lunch**

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

7.45pm – Parish House – **RCIA (Catechumenate 5)**

Wednesday 18 January

10.00am – St John’s – **Mass** - livestreamed

12.30pm – Portobello and Joppa Parish Church – **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity prayer and lunch**

1.00pm - Warriston Crematorium – **Funeral Service for Hazel Martin**

Thursday 19 January

10.00am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Mass** - livestreamed

12.30pm – St John’s – **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity prayer and lunch**

7.00pm – Meeting Room, Parish House and Zoom – **Reflecting on, and praying with, the Gospel of Matthew**

Friday 20 January –

10.00am – St John’s – **Mass** – livestreamed

12.30pm – Portobello Baptist Church, 189 Portobello High St – **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity prayer and lunch**

Saturday 21 January

10.30am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Baptism of twins Francesco Pio and Matteo Riccardo di Sotto (Deacon Eddie)**

6.30pm – St John’s – **Vigil Mass** - livestreamed

Sunday 22 January – 3RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9.30am – St John’s – **Mass** - livestreamed

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Mass**

AND IN THE COMING WEEKS

Monday 23 (and 30) January – 7.00pm – St John’s Hall – Reflection Evening for Sacramental Preparation Parents

Wednesday 25 January – 10.00am – St Mary Magdalene’s – Requiem Mass for Ann Dockrell

Wednesday 8 February – 1.30pm – St John’s - Funeral Service for Alex Cranston

'SAINT' OF THE WEEK – MARTIN NIEMOLLER

January 14 - Confessing Pastor (1892-1984)

"When the Nazis came to get the Communists, I was silent, because I was not a Communist. When they came to get the Socialists, I was silent. When they came to get the Catholics, I was silent. When they came to get the Jews, I was silent. And when they came to get me, there was no one left to speak."



In the 1920s Martin Niemoeller wrote a successful autobiography entitled *From U-boat to Pulpit*. In light of the constant testing of his Christian conscience it was necessary in successive editions to revise that title so that it might finally read **"From U-boat to Pulpit to Prison to Pacifism."**

Niemoeller had served as a highly decorated German U-boat commander during World War I. The casualty rate for U-boat crews was so high that all who survived were revered as exceptional heroes. Like many German officers Niemoeller regarded the war's loss with a deep sense of betrayal, exacerbated by the humiliating terms of the Versailles treaty. Though after the war he decided to pursue his father's career as a Lutheran pastor, he maintained the hope that Germany would one day realize its intended greatness. In such a frame of mind he was an early supporter of National Socialism, believing in Hitler's promise to vindicate German honour.

Nevertheless, within months of Hitler's rise to power in 1933, Niemoeller had begun to feel uneasy with the hateful extremism of the Nazis. He was further disedified by the emergence of the so-called German Christian movement, which virtually identified the gospel with the Nazi ideology. Many distinguished church leaders and

theologians felt no such qualms, and Niemoeller began to attract controversy. At first his principal concern was to maintain the independence and freedom of the churches from political manipulation. Like most German Christians he espoused a traditional brand of Christian anti-Semitism, believing the Jewish people were to be condemned for their rejection of Christ. Though he failed to recognize the terrible danger of such a position, he was at the same time strongly opposed to the Nazi condemnation of the Jews on the basis of "race."

The conflict became clear when anti-Jewish legislation was applied even to baptized Christian pastors of "non-Aryan" extraction. Niemoeller believed that to acquiesce in such measures would spell the death of the church. In response he helped organize a petition that collected the signatures of twenty-three hundred pastors pledging their opposition to the Aryan laws. The Pastor's Emergency Committee that Niemoeller founded later fed into the so-called Confessing Church, in which Karl Barth and Dietrich Bonhoeffer were also prominent. This movement was founded in 1934 to protest the capitulation of the churches to National Socialism. Its proponents named their historical situation to be a moment of "confession" which called into question the very identity of the true church. Ultimately, the question for Christians was "Which God do we worship: Christ or Hitler?" Within a few years the Confessing Church would be suppressed, its members having either capitulated or ended up in prison, in exile, or dead.

Niemoeller was arrested on July 1, 1937. In the relative political space, which still existed in those days church bells throughout the country rang in protest. He was charged among other things with having "caused unrest among the people" by urging "rebellion against the laws and ordinances of the state." Though he was convicted, the judges could not bring themselves to sentence the war hero to prison. To this Hitler reacted with fury, dismissing the judges and insisting that Niemoeller be remanded to a concentration camp as his "personal prisoner." Thus, he was sent to the Sachsenhausen concentration camp north of Berlin. After the outbreak of war, he was transferred to Dachau, where he remained until his liberation by Allied troops in 1945.

Niemoeller survived the war with his basic sense of patriotism intact. But as he gradually learned the extent of the Nazi crimes, his attitude changed. Despite his own sufferings, he refused to evade responsibility. While his arrest in 1937 provided an "alibi" for the subsequent years, there was no such excuse, he claimed, for his failure to speak out as effectively as he might have in earlier years - especially on behalf of the Jews. In the sufferings of all who had been persecuted during those years God in Jesus Christ had been saying to him, *"Are you prepared to save me?"* Sadly, he admitted, *"I turned that service down."*

Thus, Niemoeller parted company with the many Germans who refused to acknowledge any responsibility for the Nazi atrocities. He helped draft a confession of guilt for the churches which emphasized in particular the Christian role in fostering and tolerating a climate of anti-Semitism.

But this was not the end of Niemoeller's conversion. For years after the war, he had maintained a sense of pride in his record of military service. But his attitude toward war began to change after the dropping of the atomic bomb. When he later learned of the immense destructive power of the hydrogen bomb, he went home, reread the Sermon on the Mount, and declared that he could no longer justify the use of force. As he described the key to his ethical principles, he said it was easy. In every situation he simply asked himself the question, "*What would Jesus do?*"

In the 1950s and in subsequent decades he became a prominent figure in the international pacifist movement, traveling the world to speak out against the perils of nuclear war and bearing witness to the cause of peace and human rights. He continued his activity until he was past the age of ninety. Born on January 14, 1892, he died peacefully on March 5, 1984.

See: James Bentley, Martin Niemoeller (New York: The Free Press, 1984); "Martin Niemoeller: A Confessional Courage," in Jim Wallis and Joyce Hollyday, eds., Cloud of Witnesses (Maryknoll, N.Y.: Orbis, 1991).

NOTICEBOARD

The Pamoja Fashion Sale Team wish to thank the whole wider community as they raised an outstanding **£431.00** at last week's sale at St John's hall, helping raising funds towards Twende Pamoja Community in Tanzania.

PORTOBELLO HOLIDAY CLUB – 17-21 July 2023

'WONDERZONE' - Discovering God's Wonderful World

(P1 to P7 – 09.00am -12.45)

Exploring some of the wonders of the Universe and the wonders of God - Experiments, construction, craft, games, drama, creative prayer and songs.

YOUTH AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS WANTED

For more information, contact Lynda Kazimoglu (lkazimoglu@yahoo.co.uk)

Lynda writes: 'Each year the churches of Portobello come together to offer a week of holiday activities for our children and young people. The holiday club is a great way to meet friends, make friends and explore God's wonderful world together. This summer we're exploring the wonders of the world through experiments, construction, art, craft, hall games, board games, drama and music. Please spread the word to local families. **We're also very keen to take on new adult and youth volunteers** as we host around 100 children throughout the week and support is always welcome! It could be baking, prepping snack, leading or assisting with activities, whatever you feel suits your skills! It really is a wonderful experience. **For more information please see Lynda Kazimoglu after Mass, contact Enrico in the parish office who will put us in touch, or email lkazimoglu@yahoo.co.uk**'

WHY NOT START THE NEW YEAR BY TAKING OUT A SUBSCRIPTION TO OPEN HOUSE, TO THE SCOTTISH CATHOLIC... OR WITH THE UNIVERSE?

The Scottish Catholic has just gone monthly, costing £3. If you would like a copy reserved for you, please make contact with Enrico in the Parish House. More details about Open House next week.

Michelle Jones, The Universe Catholic newspaper Circulation Manager, writes: "The Universe is true to its mission of being "a light to guide the world, and a mirror to reflect it" - keeping Catholics informed about their faith and bringing them ever closer to God. In order to keep our high standard going and maintain a strong weekly Catholic voice at a time when it is much needed in the world, please consider taking out a subscription.

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Universe Special Tribute: Pope Benedict XVI -Rest in Peace, Faithful Servant of Lord, and the Church.

Below is the link to the latest edition of the Universe Catholic Weekly:

<https://universecatholicweekly.co.uk/universe-weekly-newsletters/january-2023/UNIVERSE-06-JAN-2023.pdf>

A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – John:1 29-34

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

Last week we had a visit from the plumber and his mate. There are a number of benefits to living in rented accommodation. We are shielded from falling property values, rising interest rates and the costs of repairs. Have you seen the cost of plumbers, these days? And as for the cost of electricians..... Back to my plumbers. Roles had been reversed. The head plumber was in his early 30's, his 'mate' in his late 50's. The usual tea, coffee and biscuits were offered along with that peculiar festive question of such generality as to be almost meaningless: 'How was your Christmas?' The younger man with two small boys waxed lyrically about the brilliant time that had been had. He had been out to the house just before Christmas. He wouldn't let me tip him, so I gave him some money for his children. The older man was less effusive. He had endured a miserable Christmas. He had spent a week in Fuerteventura – on his own. At the beginning of November, his wife of 29 years had told him she had had enough. She wanted to call time on their marriage. Like Margaret Thatcher, try as he might, the lady was not for turning. He needed to talk about his experience – so he talked. And he talked. And he talked. The younger, but senior one, was happy to listen along with me. Clearly, he had heard the tale of woes before, but showed admirable patience as the older one poured his heart out. All three of us seemed to recognise that it was good to talk. Therein lay freedom and perspective

Two spells of therapy have taught me the importance of an open heart and mind. Having been locked away for so many years in the death-spiral of denial, guilt, secrets, more guilt, hangovers, regrets.... The list of negativities grew like topsy. Therapy brought relief and healing. It was akin to being born again. A huge burden had been lifted from me. I was free. Free from the childhood abuse, free from my secrets. I experienced a freedom and happiness that I had never even dreamt of – and oh, how I wanted to share it and my new-found peace.

Some were nervous. My loquaciousness left them feeling uneasy. Would my blurting leave them exposed? What was I going to say next? They were craving discretion. They wanted my upper lip to resume and regain its stiffness. There was as much chance of that happening as a glacier forming on the surface of hell. As long as there is breath in my body I will talk.

This weekend we hear John the Baptist talking. Talking. Like the older plumber and all surviving addicts he knows that it is good to talk. *Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said*.... How he had struggled to come to terms with his identity, his role in life. He spent time in prayer, living in the desert, on a diet of locusts and wild honey. He tells of the message he received from the Father: *He who sent me to baptise with water, had said to me: The one on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit.* You know how one of my favourite pastimes is to sit on the bench in Fore Street in Hexham, watching and observing. Little cameos form in my imagination as I spot the two old ladies stop every five yards to exchange another snippet and to catch their breath against the ever-present prevailing breeze, the young mother battling with a strong-willed toddler wanting to test his durability against solid objects or paving stones. I wonder how often John found himself doing just that: staring, observing, watching, listening, inquiring? How did he feel once he had witnessed and recognised the Son of God, rubbing shoulders with those around him?

Once he had recognised Jesus, John realised that his job was done. Now, he must fade into the background and allow Jesus to take the lead. We each have a role in life, a purpose to fulfil - unique to us and the yardstick against which our lives will be measured. It has been given to us and no-one else. We are asked to respond generously, just as John did and just as the younger plumber did. We might be the only reflection of Jesus that others see. As I live my comparatively recently found freedom from addiction and guilt, I realise that God's invitation possesses a beauty and purity that makes it a pearl of great price, gold of quality and worth. It is an invitation that has double the reward – even for half the effort.

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently:

*Alex Cranston - Angus Forbes
Rachel Quinn - Mary Greenan
Ann Romanowska
Margaret Ross*

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

*Giuliano Crolla - Karen Laverick
Vincent McDevitt
Barbara Devlin - Mary Service*

Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:

St. John's:

May Thomson, Bob Kelly, Carol Simpson, Pat Dickin, Charlotte and Fred McGregor, John Freeman, Kitty Dykes, Kenny O'Connor, Gerry Gallagher, John Cregan, Kim O'Neill, Rose Thornton, Kathleen Brown, Mike Noonan, John Whyte, Maria Pacitti, Fiona Connel, Ann Dobie, Sheelagh Dobson, Chloe Sutherland, Norah Bruce, Mike and Patricia Lawler, Ruth Vizer, Mary Grady, Pauli Walker, Anna Butler, May Flynn, Vincent Knowles, young Saoirse Golden, Frances Cunningham, David Reid, Betty Dougal, Anne Thomson, Sarah McManus, Mike Burns, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Maureen Low, Mary Slight, Norman Telfer, Kathie Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Marie Angela Crolla and Lorraine Syme.

St Mary Magdalene's:

Sara Alkahtari, Anne Carruthers, Isobel Philipps, Mary McGovern (jnr), Carolynne McCann, Tom Bauld, Sam Burns, Jacqueline Marinello, Sandra Watt, Mary Cole, Chris English, Andrew Farmer, Margaret Duffy, Maria Scott Jnr, Louise Gorman, Bridget Malone, Charles Malcolm, Margaret Ryan, Jacqueline Hannan, Julie Keegan, Rose McKay, Laurie Wallace, Annie Watson, David O'Donnell, Jude Ferguson and Mary and James Muir.

Anniversaries:

St John's:

Jan.14: Annie Harris (2016); John McLoughlin (2012); Jean Holligan (2006); Richard Watt (1995); **Jan.15:** Giuliano Crolla (2021); Rita Santangeli (2012); Isabella Thomson (2001); Kitty Durkin (1995); **Jan.16:** Nancy Hancock (1997); Cyril Gorman; Angus McKinnon; Mary Scollan; **Jan.17:** James Gilchrist (1995); George Tunley (1933); **Jan.18:** Elizabeth McGrory (2003); Margaret McGuire (1963); **Jan.19:** Francis Meehan (1994); Roseanne Hunter (1991); Vincent McDevitt (1991); Annie Young (1984); Neil Hanlon (1937); **Jan.20:** Mary Greenan (2000); Jack Shaw; **Jan.21:** Barbara Devlin (1988); Mary McGuire (1969); Joan Knox; **Jan.22:** Antonio Pacitti (1997); Andrew Donoghue (1966);

St Mary Magdalene's:

Jan.15: Luigia D'Inverno (2003); **Jan.16:** Thomas Farrell (1969); **Jan.17:** Mary Gilhooley (1982); **Jan.19:** James N Morrison (1981); **Jan.20:** John Keating (1976); Mary Wilson (1976); Pearl O'Gorman (1972); **Jan.21:** Martin Forbes (2005); **Jan.22:** Jane Graham (2000);

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:

Evelyn Walsh, Sr Elizabeth Mackie, Kate Mackay, Grace Stuart, Stephen Norwood, Bill and Audrey Jones, Richard Johnson, John Miller, , Lydia Reid, Douglas Edington, Agnes Clarke, David Fenwick, Maurice McAllister, Rita Noonan, baby Lucas McCourt, Ava Simpkin (aged 12), Baby Tommy Moran, Ellen Dow, Chris White, members of the McGrath Family, Maureen Hutchinson, Hans Zaunbrecher, Judith Franklin, Clare Johnston, Mary and Derek Lamarque, Anne Morris, Baby Josh Simpson, Keiran Smart (aged 15), Michael Doherty, Carol Turnbull, Jean Wylie, Mary Conefrey, Angela Khan, George and Ann McDermott, Suzanne O'Callaghan, Lucille McFadden, Tara Kuppinger, Jessica Haggerty, Charlotte O'Brien, Gwen Cullimore, young Martha Moyes (aged 5), Jennifer Kay, Margaret Troupe, Seval and Kazim Kazimoglu, Ann Watt (Mgr Rae's sister), Jan Meise, Melanie Ford, Mary Taygarth, Bridget Bonner, Roger Bromley, Tony Rigg, Jozefine O'Connell, Robin Butler, Henrietta Fraser, Stuart Falconer, Elizabeth, Baby Percy Keiran McShane, Colin Sandham, Elizabeth and Gordon Marron, Dawn Clarke, William Kinsley, Katie McAnenny, John Kellagher, Colin Raasch, Annabelle Cervantes, Emily Buchanan, Ann Thorp, Dani Miniette, Peter Millar, Joan Murray Hamilton, Sr Margaret Mary, Betty Blyth, Lauren Fitzpatrick, Michael Igoe, Clare Richardson, Laura Anderson, Richard Reid, James O'Rourke, Tommy Muir, James Shepherd, Peter Hanley, Andrew Franklin, Ellen Green, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Diana Hibbert, Joan Brooks, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.

Offertory 8 January 2023

St Mary Magdalene's, £281.70 total, including £144.70 Offertory and £137.00 Gift Aid

St John's, £1359.53 total, including £331.43 Offertory, £309.80 Gift Aid and £718.00 online donations

Justice & Peace special collection:

St Mary Magdalene's: £85.54 - St John's: £540.68



The simple tomb of Pope Benedict XVI is pictured in the crypt of St Peter's Basilica at the Vatican, as the Church begins to discuss his legacy to both the faith and the world



BENEDICTVS PP. XVI

