

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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25 MAY 2025 - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



*"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you."
(John 14:27)*

In response to the call of Pope Leo (and Pope Francis before him) we continue to hold in our hearts those who are suffering – and all those who have lost their lives – in Gaza and Israel and Lebanon and Syria and in Ukraine, and indeed in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo and in all the wars and conflicts in our world... We pray especially that humanitarian aid might reach those suffering in Gaza and that the ceasefire might be reinstated and for positive and just diplomatic developments there and in Ukraine...

A warm welcome to the parishes to Sr Margaret Watson of the Little Company of Mary, who moved into Lauder Lodge last week....and remembering the six Sacred Heart sisters there who celebrate the feastday of their foundress, **St Madaleine Sophie Barat**, today, Sunday, having the previous day, Saturday 25 May celebrated the centenary of her canonisation in 1925.

This Tuesday, 27 May, at 7.15pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Archbishop Leo will celebrate the annual Mass for Married & Engaged Couples - and will give a blessing to couples. Refreshments after Mass in Coffee Saints.

Thursday is the Feast of the Ascension, a Holiday of Obligation (and Celebration) – **there will be Mass at St Mary Magdalene's at 10.00am** (with St John's Primary School) **and at St John's at 7.00pm** (and the beginning of the great **Novena before Pentecost**)....while Saturday is the beautiful **Feast of the Visitation** – there will be an extra **9.15am Mass** at St John's (livestreamed, <https://www.youtube.com/live/oUtBcGKN0uQ>)

Communications Sunday – Archbishop Leo writes: ‘World Communications Day is **next Sunday 1 June**, and a collection will take place that weekend for the apostolate of communications. Bishop Frank Dougan, of Galloway Diocese, is setting up a National Office for Communication and Evangelisation, and your financial support will help the office produce quality content across various media platforms to spread the Good News.’

THIS WEEK

Saturday 24 May - 10.00am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Bereavement Mass** – *livestreamed*
12.30am – St John’s – **Baptism of Olivia and Luca Notarangelo**
6.30pm – St John’s – **Vigil Mass** – *livestreamed*

Sunday 25 May – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.30am – St John’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed* – **with baptism of Wren Haller-Zurowski**
11.15am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
all day – Carfin Lourdes Grotto, Motherwell – **Legion of Mary’s Thanksgiving Day**

Monday 26 May

10.00am – St John’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
11.00am – Lauder Lodge – **Mass for the (postponed) feast of St Madaleine Sophie Barat**
1.00pm – St John’s – **Baptism of Leo Crolla**
7.00pm – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Reconciliation Service** for P4 First Communion Children
(followed by Rehearsal for children doing First Communion in St Mary Magdalene’s)

Tuesday 27 May

9.00am [NB Change of Time] – St John’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
7.00pm – Prayer Room and Hall – **RCIA Mass and Meal**

Wednesday 28 May – 9.15am-9.45am – St John’s – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

10.00am – St John’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
2.30pm-3.30pm – St Ninian’s – **Meditation Walk for Laudato Si’ Week**

Thursday 29 May – FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

10.00am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed* – with St John’s Primary School
7.00pm – St John’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed*

Friday 30 May - 9.15am-9.45am – St John’s – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Saturday 31 May – Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9.15am – St John’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
1.00pm – St John’s – **Baptism of Clodagh Grant**
6.30pm – St John’s – **Vigil Mass** – *livestreamed*

Sunday 1 June – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – World Communication Day

9.30am – St John’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed* – **with baptism of Ellis Luke and Arabella Ina Sergeant Bonser**
11.15am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **First Communion Mass** – *livestreamed*

View the links for the Masses by visiting our website: <https://bit.ly/StJStMM>

IN THE COMING WEEKS ...

Monday 2 June – 2.30pm – St John’s – **Healing Mass** – *livestreamed*

Thursday 5 June – 7.00pm – St John’s – **Rehearsal for children doing First Communion in St John’s**

Sunday 8 June

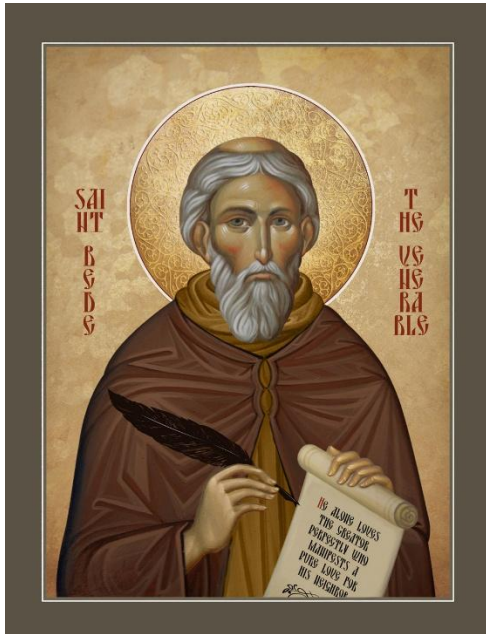
9.30am – St John’s – **First Communion Mass** – *livestreamed*
6.45pm- St John’s Hall – **ST JOHN’S OPEN PARISH MEETING**

Monday 16 June – 7.00pm – St John’s – **Confirmation Service** (Archbishop Leo)

SAINT OF THE WEEK — St Bede the Venerable (673-735)

Doctor of the Church – Feast Day: 25 May

"I earnestly request all who may hear or read this history of our nation to ask God's mercy on my many failings of mind and body, and... grant me the favour of frequent mention in their devout prayers."



St Bede was a true product of the monastery. At the age of seven he was entrusted by his parents to a local abbot, who saw to his education and upbringing. Later he was transferred to the nearby monastery at Jarrow, where he remained a monk for the rest of his days. He rarely emerged from his monastery, and he probably never travelled beyond his native Northumbria. And yet, from his obscure monastic perch, he was able to take the measure of his world to a degree shared by few of his contemporaries.

Bede's was a long and uneventful life. His story is unadorned by fabulous acts of asceticism, mystical visions, or miracles. As he described himself, *"My chief delight has always been in study, teaching, and writing."* But it was precisely his passion for study and writing that were his path to sanctity. He left behind many books, the most famous being his charming *History of the English Church and People*. Rather than simply recording names and events, Bede tried to compose a coherent narrative encompassing the arrival of Christianity in the British Isles, the progress of its great early saints and missionaries, and the

gradual role of Christianity in pulling together the disparate tribes and races of Britain into a unified nation.

It is a story abounding in heroes: there is the legendary St. Alban, protomartyr of the English church, killed by the Romans for sheltering an illegal priest; St Augustine, the first archbishop of Canterbury, sent to Britain by Pope Gregory the Great; King Edwin, who convened the first church council in 627 with the result that he and his nobility embraced the Catholic faith; Bishop Aiden, founder of the see of Lindisfarne; Oswald, the Christian king of Northumbria; Abbess Hilda of Whitby; the sainted cowherd-poet Caedmon; and various other monks, bishops, kings, and warlords.

The story of Christianity is told largely through the interaction between these key actors, especially saints and kings. The saints bear the gospel, while the kings determine the people's response. In one famous scene Bede recounts the story of the holy monk Paulinus, who brings the gospel to King Edwin of Northumbria. The king assembles his advisers including his pagan priests - to discuss the pros and cons of the proposed faith. One of his advisers reflects that the present life of a man is like *"the swift flight of a lone sparrow"* through a banquet hall. While he is inside, he is safe from the winter storms, but then *"he vanishes from sight into the darkness whence he came."* So, with a human being, *"we know nothing of what went before this life, and what follows. Therefore, if this new teaching can reveal any more certain knowledge, it seems only right that we should follow it."* One by one the high priests submit before the wisdom of Paulinus and agree to adopt the new religion. Thus, Bede recounts the origins of Christianity in his own Northumbria.

Through this and similar stories, Bede depicts the gradual knitting together of many kingdoms and peoples into a common history, thereby linking the primitive civilization of Britain with the ancient church of Rome and the faith of the apostles.

In 735 Bede fell seriously ill. Still, he laboured strenuously to complete his works in progress, including an English-language translation of the Gospel of John. He dictated the final passages of his translation before expiring on 25 May 735.

There is a resemblance in Bede's work to the Acts of the Apostles. Just as Luke relates the movement of the church from Jerusalem to Rome, so Bede continues the story from Rome to his own "fair and pleasant land." He believed that it was not only in Scripture but in the history of his own people and the stories of holy lives that the handwriting of God could be discerned. Reading this handwriting was his own path to sanctity. He is an inspiration to all who follow that path.

See: Bede, A History of the English Church and Its People, trans. Leo Sherley-Price (Baltimore: Penguin, 1955).

RONALD ROLHEISER OMI – PAINFUL GOODBYES AND THE ASCENSION

Among the deeper mysteries in life perhaps the one we struggle with the most is the mystery of the Ascension. It's not so much that we misunderstand it, we simply don't understand it.

What is the Ascension?

Historically it was an event within the life of Jesus and the early church and is now a feast-day for Christians, one that links Easter to Pentecost. But it is more than an historical event, it is at the same time a theology, a spirituality, and an insight into life that we need to understand to better sort out the paradoxical interplay between life and death, presence and absence, love and loss.

The Ascension names and highlights a paradox that lies deep at the centre of life, namely, that we all reach a point in life where we can only give our presence more deeply by going away so that others can receive the full blessing of our spirits.

What does that mean?

When Jesus was preparing to leave this earth he kept repeating the words: "It is better for you that I go away! You will be sad now, but your sadness will turn to joy. If I don't go away you will be unable to receive my spirit. Don't cling to me, I must ascend."

Why is it better sometimes that we go away?

Any parent with grown children has heard similar words from their children, unspoken perhaps but there nonetheless. When young people leave home to go to college or to begin life on their own, what they are really saying to their parents is: "Mum and dad, it is better that I go away. You will be sad now, but your sadness will turn to joy. If I don't go, I will always be your little boy or little girl but I will be unable to give you my life as an adult. So please don't cling to the child you once had or you will never be able to receive my adulthood. I need to go away now so that our love can come to full bloom."

The pain in this kind of letting go is often excruciating, as parents know, but to refuse to do that is to truncate life.

The same is true for the mystery of death. For example: I was 22 years old when in the space of four months both of my parents, still young, died. For my siblings and me the pain was searing. Initially we were nearly overwhelmed with a sense of being orphaned, abandoned, of losing a vital life-connection (that, ironically, we had mostly taken for granted until then). And our feelings were mainly cold, there's little that's warm in death. But time is a great healer. After a while, and for me this took several years, the coldness disappeared and my parents' deaths were no longer a painful thing. I felt again their presence, and now as a warm, nurturing spirit that was with me all time. The coldness of death turned into a warmth. They had gone away but now they could give me their love and blessing in a way that they never could fully while they were alive. Their going away eventually created a deeper and purer presence.

The mystery of love and intimacy contains that paradox: To remain present to someone we love we have to sometimes be absent, in ways big and small. In the paradox of love, we can only fully bless each other when we go away. That is why most of us only "get" the blessing our loved ones were for us after they die. Mystically, "blood and water" (cleansing and the deep permission to live without guilt) flow from their dead bodies, just as these flowed from Jesus' dead body.

And this is even true, perhaps particularly so, in cases where our loved ones were difficult characters who struggled for peace or to bless anyone in this life. Death washes clean and releases the spirit and, even in the case of people who struggled to love, we can after their deaths receive their blessing in a way we never could while they were alive. Like Jesus, they could only give us their real presence by going away.

"It is better for you that I go away!" These are painful words most of the time, from a young child leaving her mother for a day to go to school, to the man leaving his family for a week to go on a business trip, to the young man moving out of his family's house to begin life on his own, to a loved one saying goodbye in death. Separation hurts, goodbyes bring painful tears, and death of every kind wrenches the heart.

But that is part of the mystery of love. Eventually we all reach a point where what is best for everyone is that we go away so that we can give our spirit. The gift that our lives are can only be fully received after we ascend.

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A Morning Prayer

*Mysterious and Loving God,
open my mind and my heart this day
that I might lose myself in wonder and awe
at the glory and grandeur of your creation.
May I grow each day in awareness
of my unique place in your loving universe.*

*All-caring God,
allow your energy and compassion to flow
through me
towards all who are in pain,
all who are alone and frightened,
all who feel lost and confused,
and above all towards those who endure cruelty
and injustice.*

*Mysterious Divine Healer,
in everything I think and say and do this day,
make me a finger of your healing hand.
Make me sensitive to the wounds and brokenness
of all my brothers and sisters,
the good, the bad and the indifferent.
May they heal me as we all stretch out our hands
to one another.*

*For we are all one in you and your Holy Spirit,
through your Son, Jesus Christ.
Amen.*

Albert Nolan OP
South Africa

NOTICEBOARD

We are looking for volunteers willing to go on a rota to help with serving tea and coffee after the 9.30am Mass at St John's.... if you are open to the idea, please contact either Mike and Veronica Kinane (Mike – 07754177104; Veronica – 07902941675) or Fr Jock.

A message from the J&P Group with an 'End of Season' Update about the Bethany Christian Trust – Overnight Welcome Centre

The Bethany Overnight Welcome Centre operates during the winter months – October to April – and provides overnight accommodation for people who have nowhere to stay. As well as providing somewhere to sleep, the Centre also offers medical and psychiatric services, counselling and advice on addictions and help to get people re-housed. Because of Covid, and with the help of Edinburgh City Council, the Centre was based in the Haymarket Hub Hotel to allow clients to have individual rooms.

As well as other services, Bethany also offer a hot meal in the evening for its clients, and this is provided by a number of Christian church groups across the city including St John's & St Mary Magdalene's. This season, we provided the meal on nineteen occasions. We are fortunate that we have the support of Appetito Ltd who provide the meals for free (otherwise we would not be able to afford to do so many evenings) and their rep, Seton Steele who not only organises the meals but, on most evenings, when his work schedule permits, prepares and helps to serve the food. We are blessed also with a number of willing volunteers who prepare the food when Seton is not available and also serve it. This is a service much appreciated by the homeless using the Centre.

Unfortunately, the hotel has now decided to revert to being a year-round hotel which meant that, from the end of March, the Centre had to close. Bethany continued providing an evening meal for the homeless, this time in the Gorgie Palmerston Church at Tynecastle, so our last four meal services were provided there.

At this point, Bethany don't know whether they will be able to find another location for the Welcome Centre this forthcoming winter and ask for your prayers in helping them to find somewhere where they can continue to provide this valuable service.

Laudato Si Week is Saturday, 24-31 May 2025 with the theme: Raising Hope

This year marks the 10th anniversary of Pope Francis' groundbreaking and very well received encyclical on care for creation and for each other.

Catherine Norman, from St Ninian's Care for Creation Group, writes: 'Please note our event for *Laudato Si week* later this month. We would be delighted if any of your congregations were able to join us in the church garden for **a meditation walk, this Wednesday 28 May, 2.30pm-3.30pm**, with refreshments to follow. Thank you'.

News from the Portobello Holiday Club – ‘The holiday club is fully booked. We now have a waitlist going. Also, we are no longer taking on new adult volunteers as the PVG process would take too long to clear them by July 14th. *(with the exception of any potential adult volunteers who already hold a PVG with one of our participating churches, they can volunteer up to a week before we start...)*

We do have space for youth volunteers.

We would still appreciate **volunteers to make homebaking** for the volunteers for the week of holiday club (July 14-18) and **people who can knit** and help us make decorations for the bunting.

Please contact Danni Glass if you're able to help – danni73@live.co.uk

FROM ARCHBISHOP LEO'S AD CLERUM

Laudato Si webinar - Bishop John Arnold of Salford Diocese is the guest speaker at a webinar to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si'. Bishop John is the environment spokesperson for the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. It takes place at 7:00pm on **Friday 30 May**.

Register at bit.ly/laudatowebinar

Calling all RCIA leaders! - All RCIA leaders are invited by the Catechetics Commission of the Archdiocese for a morning workshop. The day begins with Mass, includes a time of discussion and sharing, and ends with a brief consideration on mystagogy (post-baptismal instruction). It takes place on **Saturday 31 May** from 9:30am – 12:00pm at The Gillis Centre 100 Strathearn Road, EH9 1BB. Register at: bit.ly/4mgG764

St Margaret's Pilgrimage - Sunday 8 June - All are welcome at the annual St Margaret's Pilgrimage in Dunfermline on Sunday 8 June. Join Archbishop Leo, clergy, and people from across Scotland for the procession through the town centre with the relic of St Margaret at 2:00pm, followed by Holy Mass at 3:00pm in St Margaret's Church. Full schedule in the news-events section at archedinburgh.org

New Dawn Conference - Experience the richness of the Catholic Faith at the New Dawn Day. It begins with Mass at 10:30am, followed by testimonies, workshops, healing prayers and more. Speakers are Fr James Anyaegbu and Gary Stephen. It takes place on **Saturday 14 June 2025** at Ss Ninian & Triduana, 232 Marionville Road, Edinburgh, EH 7 6BE. Event organised by New Dawn Scotland.

Dignity Not Detention – Dungavel - Join Justice & Peace Scotland to call for Dignity Not Detention and advocate for an end to the inhumane practice of unlimited immigration detention. The UK is the only country in Europe that does not have a statutory time limit on detention, meaning people can be held in prison-like conditions indefinitely with no idea when they will be released. Guest speaker: Archbishop William Nolan. It takes place at Dungavel House, Strathaven, ML10 6RF at 1:00pm on **Sunday 15 June**.

Contact office@justice@peacescotland.org.uk for more info.

Corpus Christi Procession - Sunday 22 June - Archbishop Leo will lead the Archdiocesan Corpus Christi Procession from St Patrick's Church in Kilsyth at 3:00pm on Sunday 22 June. This is a joyous occasion with the Blessed Sacrament being carried through the streets. First Holy Communicants in the Archdiocese are invited to take a special place in the procession wearing their formal clothes. Parking available at the Church. Contact St Patrick's to reserve disabled/minibus parking or to book a space on the free shuttle buses from Croy train station to the Church: priest.stpatrickskilsyth@staned.org.uk or 01236 822136.

Jubilee Year Picnic for families - Join families from across the Archdiocese for a Jubilee Year picnic on **Saturday 28 June**, 11:00am – 4:00pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. There will be spiritual talks on the theme of Hope and talks and games for children. Includes Rosary at The Grotto and concludes with Holy Mass in St Margaret's Chapel. At 4:00pm there is the chance to walk to the Jubilee Cross at St Mary's Cathedral (optional). Childcare provided. Register at bit.ly/archpicnic

Lourdes 2025: Spaces available for supported pilgrims - A small number of spaces have become available for supported pilgrims on the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (**11 to 18 July 2025**). Do you know someone who is ill or infirm and would enjoy the opportunity to experience this life-changing trip? Assisted Pilgrims receive 24hr support from the brilliant doctors, nurses and volunteers in the Medical/Helper Team and stay in specially equipped accommodation. It is an unforgettable week with a full spiritual and social programme. Contact Bernadette on 0131 441 1939 or visit www.edinburgh-lourdes.com

For a full list of forthcoming events in the archdiocese visit <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>

A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – JOHN 14: 23-9

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

Last Saturday, we bade farewell to Glenview, our cottage just outside of Gairloch. It was time to ‘gan hjem’. Delightful, though our week had been, we knew that all good things always come to an end. It was time to return to Hexham in Northumberland. It was time to ‘gan hjem’, to West Greenridge Farmhouse, our hjem for the last seven or eight years. It is more than a pile of stones and tiles. It was hjem. I like that word, ‘hjem’. I think it was brought to these shores by our Viking forebears – probably the first to make illegal crossings to these islands by boat. In those days we weren’t in a position to moan about these ‘illegal boat people’, and Farage wasn’t even a twinkle in anyone’s eyes, so they were free to pursue their favoured pastimes of rape, pillage and arson but they did leave us a few words to enrich our vocabulary. Hjem is ‘home’. I remember as a teenager going out on a Friday night with friends – ‘my mates’. The dash for the last bus home would be accompanied by: *I’m gannin hjem – Aal see ya tummorra*. (*I’m going home, now: I’ll see you tomorrow*) The evening may have been fun – but the call of home, hjem, proved a forced to be reckoned with. Not far from here there is a Michelin Star restaurant named ‘Hjem’ and it was where I celebrated my 70th Birthday: 23 courses with a distinctly Scandinavian twist with servings sometimes no bigger than a tablespoon. Wines were paired for the different courses – just a glass, never a bottle – and for those who chose not to take alcohol – amazing things like nettle infusions with wild garlic sabayon or iced sorrel tea laced with wild raspberry and ginger. The attention to detail was befitting of any home, where finest linen is smoothed out onto the heavy dining table in the front room, the best tea-set brought out of the china-cabinet. Guests have arrived. They must be made to feel at home. *“Come in, make yourselves at home. Can I get you a cup of tea? Something stronger? The fire’s on, go and sit in front of the telly. It’s lovely to see you.”* Our homes and hearts have been opened to our guests. We are now at their service.

Over three months ago, my second eldest sister suffered a stroke. For reasons too complicated to go into – actually they’re not complicated – just lengthy and involved – she has been living alone for some time. Yon side of 80 she has spent a long time in hospital. The stroke has taken its toll of the left side of her body but she retains good speech and her cognitive tests score highly. The time came to discuss her life after hospital. She told her social worker that she just wanted to go home. He suggested a care home where she might have more people around. *No! I just want to gan hjem* – there’s that word again. My youngest sister went in to see her when her discharge date had been arranged: *You’re going home tomorrow, Anne*. Anne’s face beamed happiness and light making Blackpool look like some seedy Soho jazz club in comparison. She was going home. For most of us, home is where we feel secure though today of all days we acknowledge that there are many for whom home life is a terrifying experience. We remember them in our thoughts and prayers: children who experience filth and deprivation from parents who have yet to learn how to love. In particular we remember the people of Gaza whose home now is no more than a pile of twisted metal and rubble – as if part of a Tracy Emin art sculpture.

This weekend's Gospel speaks to us of home. Jesus promises: *anyone who loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make **our home** with him*. Dwell here a while and reflect on the enormity of the moment. God knocks at the door and asks: *can I come in and make my home here?* We reply: *Do! Do! Come in, make yourself at home. Kick off your shoes, sit in front of the fire. I’ll get you some nibbles. Would you like a glass of wine – or water, perhaps?* Home affords security. Home is where our hearts can live unfettered love. If we allow Him to, God will come in and squat. He will take up squatter’s rights – but beware, he can be difficult to budge. I tell you, he will become a great source of consolation and company. Let him in. Take the risk. No matter how many disasters come our way, we always have home to fall back on: God’s home is in our hearts and souls. Jesus goes on to promise: *Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you*. This peace is rooted in and built on the one essential truth: God has come to us, and he has made his **home** with us. Nothing this life can hurl at us – no disaster, no crisis, no betrayal – will make God leave our home. He is our stubborn squatter. He is our constant companion. We have so much to be thankful for.

PARISH REGISTER

Welcome to the World...Elsie Emma Seaton, born on 21 May, a little sister for twins Maisie and Poppy, a daughter for Jennie, a granddaughter for Heidi and Tim, and great granddaughter for Ian Thompson.

...and to Otto John Greenway-Herschan, born on Wednesday 7 May, a first child for Jo and Sam, and a first grandchild for Lis and Patrick Herschan.

Warm birthday greetings to Evelyn Walsh, 80, next Saturday 31 May.

Please pray for those who have died recently:

*Geoff Ford - Renate Wendler - Frances Loughran - Alec Robb - Diana Williams
Liz Johnston - Peter Doherty*

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

*Fiona McDermott - Duncan Campbell
Tony Notarangelo - Tom Mannion
Jean Douglas - David Codling
Charles McLauchlan snr - Edith Lautner
Eileen Dean - Filippo Rao
Charlie Boyle - Graham Neilsen*

Anniversaries:

St John's:

May 24: Christine McManus (2021); David Codling (2018); John Birrell (2000); Frank Gaffney; **May 25:** Maureen Leitch (2009); Dorothy Flynn (1988); Mary Foley (1992); **May 26:** Maureen Anne McElroy (2003); Charles McLauchlan Sen (1969); Jane Clarke (1957); **May 27:** Eileen Dean (2018); Sarah Christie (2013); Catherine McCann (2001); Sarah Black (1990); John Gallagher (1981); Jane Sweeney; **May 28:** Margaret Power (1999); Mary-Ann Donoghue (1980); Wilhelmina Baxter (1974); Elizabeth Birnie (1943); **May 29:** John Broadley (1985); **May 30:** Filippo Rao (2024); Charlie Boyle (2020); Angela Morga (2001); Alexander McCraw (1979);

St Mary Magdalene's:

May 24: Maggie Henry (2001); **May 25:** John Laughlin (2000); Mary Hunter (1967); **May 26:** Michael Rooney (1994); **May 27:** James McGovern (1991); **May 30:** Jean Douglas (2024); Graham Neilson (2021); Tony Notarangelo (2016); Bridget Boyle (1995);

Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:

St. John's:

Jimi Boyle, Joyce Martin, Mary Iannarelli, Young Shay Graham, Jimmy Curnyn, Kate Gillon, Simon Hall, John McLaughlin, Susan Cammack, Gena Gallagher, John Flanagan, May Matthews, Rose Thornton, Margaret Thom, Pamela Hanlon, Mike and John Lawler, Sheila Tansey, Betty Dougal, Carol Simpson, Moira McCafferty, Helen Kilgour, Barbara Durcacz, Mairi O'Connor, Lesley O'Donnell, Donald Oswald, Prisca Kemp, Mary Slight, Mike Noonan, Mike Fox, Celia Stone, David Reid, Ann O'Brien, Diane McCarthy, Margaret Duffy, Mike Burns, May Thomson, Kenny O'Connor, John Whyte, Maria Pacitti, Ann Dobie, Chloe Sutherland, Ruth Vizor, Mary Grady, Pauli Walker, Vincent Knowles, young Saoirse Golden, Sarah McManus, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Maureen Low, Norman Telfer, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers and Marie Angela Crolla.

St Mary Magdalene's:

Alison Connelly, Peggy Ferguson, Mary McGovern, Maureen Scott, Julie Keegan, Jean McNally, Bill McGeachie, Norrie Gibson, Monica Gorman, Aisha Montgomery, Tom Kay, Eleanor Campanile, Mary McGovern (jnr), Carolynne McCann, Tom Bauld, Jacqueline Marinello, Sandra Watt, Chris English, Andrew Farmer, Maria Scott Jnr, Louise Gorman, Bridget Malone, Margaret Ryan, Annie Watson, David O'Donnell, Jude Ferguson and James Muir.

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:

James and Monique Kopp, Jennifer Kay, Shirley Robettson, Tom Heaney, Brian McDermott, Richard Reid, James Sutherland snr, Christine Henderson, Saramma Samuel, young Riley, Gerard Overman, baby Felix, young Francesca Flanagan, Bronagh McCourt, Clare, Sau Mee Jin, Jenny Offord, Mike Foy, Fr John Chadwick, Simon Cook, Dr Grier Gordon, Sr Monica Delaney FMDM, Mian Astill, Stuart Falconer, Neil Turner, Roz Paton, Carl Barber, Danielle D'Souza, Shirley Robertson, Anne Morris, Damian Mulvenna, Edward and Francisca Chan, Coralie Isherwood, Peter Hughes, Alasdair Mackay, Phyllis Oliver, Sandy Reid, Eileen Ryan, David Miller, Tom Cullimore, David Paterson, Kay Leslie, Mary Ferguson, Vincent McCann, Peter Higgins, Anne Claveirole, Sr Helen McLaughlin, Revd Peter Millar, Ewa Kiersztejn, Veronica Monbieni, Revd Bill Wishart, Amparo Serrano, James Shepherd, Alison St Clair Ford, Caitriona Stark, Pat O'Kelly, Jean Cooper, Kirsty McCrimmon, Noel Power, Mary McCormack, Helen Bird, Sheila Laughlin, Helen Campbell, Mr Mega, young Zachary Cowie, King Charles, Elizabeth McKenzie, Marna Clarke, Eugene Feehan, Mag Farnon, Ann Currie, Jacob Green (aged 14), Pat Campanile, Jill Harvey, Mireille McNab (aged 14), Michelle Lee, Roger Bromley, Peter Hanley, Helen Robertson, young Josh Simpson, Tish Deacon, Elizabeth McGrath and Granny Elizabeth, John and Anne Havard, Ellen Green, Sophie Robinson, Harriet Wingfield Digby (aged 12), Alan Proudlock, Evelyn Walsh, Eunice McDonald, Grace Stuart, David Fenwick, Judith Franklin, Clare Johnston, Mary and Derek Lamarque, Michael Doherty, Jean Wylie, Angela Khan, Charlotte O'Brien, young Martha Moyes (aged 7), Kazim Kazimoglu, Jan Meise, Tony Rigg, Elizabeth and Gordon Marron, John Kellagher, Betty Blyth, James O'Rourke, Andrew Franklin, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.

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