THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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Twenty Eighth Sunday of the Year (Cycle A) 12th October 2014

	MES	OF MASSES and MASS	S Intentions for the Week		
Saturday Vigil	6.30pm	St. John's	Special Intention		
Sunday	9.30am	St. John's	People of the Parish		
	11.15am	St. Mary Magdalene's	Special Intention		
Monday	2.30pm	St. John's	Special Intentions & Thanksgiving		
_	-		(Moira McDiarmid)		
Tuesday	7.oopm	St Mary Magdalene's	Paul Lynskey		
Wednesday	10.00am	St John's	Mary Laurie		
Thursday	10.00am	St John's	Mgr Tom Connolly		
Friday	10.00am	St. Mary Magdalene's	Special Intention		
Saturday	10.00am	St. John's	Anne Brennan		
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	On Days when there is no Mass at St John's there will be a Communion Service at 10.00am.				

THANKS!

Our heartfelt thanks to Fr Loreto Tabone for taking care of the sister parishes during Fr Jock's absence on annual leave. We wish you a safe journey home to Gozo on Friday and our prayers go with you.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY: Memorial of St Callistus

WEDNESDAY: Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus

THURSDAY: Memorial of St Hedwig

Memorial of St Margaret Mary Alacoque

FRIDAY: Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch

SATURDAY: Feast of St Luke

We look forward to welcoming Fr Jock back from holiday this week and send warm wishes for a Happy Birthday on Tuesday!

Sacramental Initiation Preparation

Next Sunday morning 19th October at 9.30am at St John's Church, there will be a special focus on those children from Primary 3 & 4 who are preparing to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. Letters welcoming the children to this Mass have been sent out to all candidates. Please contact Fr Jock or Pauline Connarty (669 5447) if you have not received an invitation and would like to be included.

NEXT SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER IS MISSION SUNDAY AND THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL COLLECTION AT ALL MASSES.

Offertory Collection - 28th September 2014
St Mary Magdalene's - £356.46 St John's - £716.08



Please pray for those who have died recently, including: Fr Tom Flynn (East Calder Parish).

<u>Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including:</u> Mgr Tom Connolly, Elizabeth Craigie, Lucy Boyd, David Hyde, Elizabeth Berry, Denis McKay, Leonard Reading, Anthony Reading, Norman Ritchie, Hugh Stone, Jean Deighan, Agnes Docherty, Joseph Bradley, Mary M Smith, Robert Nelson, The Collins Family, George Gilhooley, Catherine Jeffrey, Elizabeth Burns, Jack Roper, John Loftus, Mina Hanlon, Nan McCreadie, John Young, James Tait, Elizabeth & James Hoy, and Fr Jimmy Henry.

Please pray for the sick of our sister parishes, including:

<u>Sick Parishioners - St. John's:</u> Jimmy Gallagher, Kitty Dykes, Jimmy Duke, Jane McGuire, Jenny Wormald, Mary Florence & Bob Crabbe, Betty Diponio, Erin Corbett, Sheila Alexander, Michael & Mamie Richards, Fay Dignan, Veronica McLauchlan, Pat Kershaw, Joan Howie, Roz Byers, Helen Harrison, Fay Brown, Ann Ward, Cathy McGravie, Alf Macnamara, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Malachy Meehan, Jane Murray, Paul Bainbridge, Mona Scoular, Gerry Houston, Lorraine Syme and Monsignor James Rae.

<u>Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's:</u> Mary Robertson, Maria Juska, Dennis Walker, Isobel Phillips, baby Khalia Jabir, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Silvia Berry, Tony Matrundala, Mary and James Muir, Liz Davis, Rose McKay, Jude Ferguson, and Denis Davidson.

<u>Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including:</u> Dorothy Jamal, Christine Wilson, John Allan, Jane Morton, Tory Bekker, Christian Parham, Alfred Baird, Sue McDevitt, Conor Kerrigan, Rupert Ridge, Jerzy Gladziuk, Vera Hawkes, Marie Crolla, Margaret Rose, Maria St. Denis, and baby Ray Donovan Syme.

JUSTICE & PEACE. Linda Brown writes: 'The Mamma Mia Singalong Night raised £261 and the Justice & Peace fund added £39, so the total given to the "Aid of the Church in Need" charity is £300. Many thanks to all who came along on such a rainy night and to all who helped with donations for the tombola.'

SCIAF. SCIAF catalogues and gift forms will be given out on the 18th & 19th October at the back of the church after all Masses.



Readers for this Sunday: Mary McGovern & Bob Allan ... and for next Sunday: Children's Mass Bidding Prayers: Kate Neilson Bidding Prayers: Children's Mass

St Mary Magdalene's Parish Pastoral Council will next meet on <u>21st October at 7.30pm</u> in the Church Hall. Please contact Kate Neilson or Fr Jock if you have any items for the Agenda.

200 Club ... and the winner for September is Madge Moyes (No 28).

If you would like to join the 200 Club please contact Linda Brown (lindabrown@tesco.net).



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Monday from 7pm to 9pm, and **Divine Mercy Devotions** take place each Friday from 3 - 4pm. Everybody very welcome at both....

October Devotions: Rosary and Litany of Loretto will be said after Mass or Service from Monday to Friday during October.

Liturgy Readers' Meeting: Siobhan Sellar writes: 'All liturgy readers from weekday, Vigil and Sunday Masses are warmly invited to a meeting in the Parish House on <u>Thursday 23rd October at 7.30pm.</u>

<u>Rota for Bidding Prayers</u>: Following on from the discussions at the Parish Open Meeting, anyone interested in offering themselves to read at either Mass is warmly invited to speak to Fr Jock, Siobhan Sellar (657 3805) or David Connarty (669 1408). Full training and ongoing support will be provided.

Maria Igoe writes: 'The **Charity Coffee Morning** raised £91 for the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society. The members are very grateful to all who donated so generously.'

A VISIT TO NUNRAW

Maria Igoe writes: 'There will be a minibus going to Nunraw on <u>Sunday 26th October</u>, leaving St John's at 1pm and returning by 7.30pm. If you want to go, please contact Maria Igoe (669 2960). Tea will be provided but bring a snack. The cost is £7.

This Week

MONDAY 13th October: 2.30pm: St John's: Mass with Anointing (Healing Mass) - followed by the sacrament of reconciliation for those who wish. The Rosary will be recited at 2.15pm. All are invited to the Hall for teas and cakes after Mass. <u>Please come forward</u> ... if you are available to provide transport for housebound parishioners who would otherwise be unable to attend this Mass. If you are able to help, please contact Maria Igoe (669 2960).

TUESDAY 14th October: 7.30pm: Parish House: RCIA Enquiry Group. For further details please speak to Fr Jock or Alice Codling (0131 657 1862) or email alicecodling@btinternet.com.

FRIDAY 17th October: 10.00pm St Catherine's Convent: Legion of Mary All-Night Vigil

Maria Igoe writes: 'The Legion of Mary are having an All-Night Vigil in St Catherine's Convent on Friday 17th October to pray for vocations to the Priesthhod and the Religious life. The event will start with Benediction at 10pm and conclude with Mass on Saturday at 8am. Canon McMullan will officiate. Rest rooms and tea and coffee will be provided throughout the night. It is not nearly as daunting as it seems. For more information, contact Maria Igoe (669 2960).' (Please note the change in start time from 8pm to 10pm.)

SATURDAY 18th October: 2.00pm St John's: Baptisms of Oscar and Georgie Currie



SUNDAY 19th October: 9.30am: St John's: Mass with 'Do This in Memory' (P4) and the Rite of the Signing of the Cross (for P3 Reconciliation Candidates) and the Baptism of Luca Maiello.

7.00pm: St Francis Xavier's Parish, Falkirk.

MASS FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

Sally McElroy, the diocesan Marriage and Family Life Co-Ordinator, writes: 'On Sunday 19th October 2014, Archbish-op Cushley will celebrate Mass in St Francis Xavier's Parish, Falkirk, at 7pm and launch the Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation programme, a new pastoral initiative to support couples who plan to marry in the Catholic Church. Information about the new Archdiocesan counselling organisation *Archways* will be available. During the Mass, married couples will have the opportunity to renew their vows and engaged couples will be invited forward for a blessing.

Sunday the 19th marks the final day of the Third Extraordinary Synod of Bishops which has been convened by Pope Francis on the theme of *The Pastoral Challenges of the Family in the Context of Evangelisation*. Many parishes and individuals in our Archdiocese took part in the preparation for this Synod by responding to the Vatican consultation at the end of 2013. Everyone throughout the Archdiocese is now warmly invited to join the Archdishop at this celebration, to pray for the Church's ministry to married people and families and to pray for those in our Archdiocese who have a specific role in supporting marriages and families.

Further details are available from Sally McElroy at 0131 663 8945 or email Sally.mcelroy@staned.org.uk.

MONDAY 20th October: 7.30pm: Open Night of Portobello & Joppa Parish Church Guild

We have received an invitation from PACT to an event at which Erica Wishart will be speaking on the topic of 'Gender & Violence', touching on issues such as gender stereotypes and domestic abuse. This is a free event and all are welcome to attend. For further details please contact Morag Donaldson, Secretary, PACT, at morag.donaldson1@btinternet.com.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY 25th/26th October: Commissioning of New Eucharistic Ministers at all Masses.

LEGHO ... The Miracle of the Visas

Mike Knox writes: 'Our visitors from Tanzania were not granted visas last week. However after an appeal the applications were reviewed and the decision changed. Thanks to everyone in the side chapel on Thursday morning who prayed for a miracle! They will all arrive this week and will be around to meet everyone next weekend. They will be staying in the parish and spending time in the schools. Sr Conjesta will leave on 10 November and the others will leave a week earlier on Monday 3 November. Triphonia, Sr Conjesta, Martina and Boniface all come from Legho. Mary and David are from the next village.'

Twinning arrangements are as follows:

Triphonia Kisanga St John's (Portobello) PS Sr Conjesta Mbuya St Peter's PS Martina Meney St Mary's (ELS) PS Mary Moshi St Francis PS

Seraphin Matay St Cuthbert's PS Boniface Kyara Holy Rood High School

AND FINALLY ... Further to Fr Tabone's sermon last Sunday in which he mentioned a testimony that he heard in Medjugorje, Keith Young suggests that this can be viewed on https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Byf5kNRFI7M.

