

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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21 JANUARY 2024

**THIRD SUNDAY
OF THE YEAR**

*The Sunday of
the Word of God*

Jesus said to Simon and his brother Andrew who were casting a net in the lake, "Follow me and I will make you into fishers of folk" And at once they left their nets and followed him.

(Mark 1:16-18)

We continue to hold in our hearts those who are suffering – and all those who have lost their lives, or been held hostages – not only in Gaza and Israel but also in the war in Ukraine, and indeed in all the wars and conflicts in our world...

Today is the Sunday of the Word of God, a feast instituted by Pope Francis several years ago. We are giving out free to everybody who wishes a **copy of St Mark's Gospel**, the gospel we focus on at Mass this year – and, along with it, **an edited version of Professor James Edwards' introduction to the gospel** (taken from the course he gave at St Mary's Cathedral in October). Pope Francis encourages us to keep a copy of a gospel in our pocket, handbag etc...

There is also the annual **White Flower Appeal** – with a leaving Collection for SPUC (The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child). Our parish Pro-Life reps, **Maria Igoe and Aileen Hall**, write: 'The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children was founded on 11th January 1967, a few months before the Abortion Act was passed. At that time, it was believed that there would be a small number of abortions, mostly in emergency situations. Now in the UK there are over 200,000 abortions each year. SPUC is needed now more than ever. Its aims are i) To support human life from the moment of conception until natural death. ii) To assist mothers during pregnancy iii) To educate young people about abortion.

Abortion has claimed the lives of millions of babies in the UK since the passing of the Abortion Act in 1967. The people who work for SPUC do a very difficult job and by donating to the Charity, we can help them in what they do.'

This year's appeal calls for the Government to end the pills-by-post DIY abortion policy. Please take and send off the postcards available at the back of the church.'

A Women's Hostel for STEKA SKILLS

Our Fundraising Partnership in 2024 – we need you...

Gary Zoltie writes: 'Most of you will be aware that we have a longstanding relationship with the Malawian children's home STEKA and their residents Sandra, Abigail and Gift who all came to Edinburgh to study at Queen Margaret University and ultimately became St John's parishioners. In the past we at St Johns and St Mary Magdalene's have supported STEKA financially through fundraising and donations and indeed this led to STEKA building two vocational skills centres which are used both for teaching vocational skills to some of the older STEKA children but also to raise valuable income for STEKA from other students.

Following research, it has been identified that a limited number of female students can use the skills centres due to the long distances they have to travel to them and the need for childcare for their children. In the aftermath of Gift's farewell words at all our Masses, and in the light of his departure in October, it was agreed **to focus our fundraising in 2024 on the building of a women's hostel on the site of the vocational skills centres.**

In order to facilitate this, we need your help. We are initially planning to set up a specific fundraising group who will plan, organise and deliver several fundraising events throughout the year. If you are interested in helping with this, please contact either Father Jock or Gary Zoltie (07768 647923).'

A Date for the Diary – Thursday 1 February at 7.00pm in St John's Hall.... An Evening (for both our parishes) of **Reflection, Synodal-style**, on how as Catholic Christians we might respond to the atrocities and horrors happening in Ukraine, Gaza and Israel and elsewhere... more details next week. *(This is a follow-up, as agreed at the St John's Open Parish meeting in November, when it was felt that to rush such a discussion would be wrong....)*

THIS WEEK

Saturday 20 January - 6.30pm – St John's – Vigil Mass – livestreamed

Sunday 21 January – THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (THE SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD)

9.30am – St John's – **Mass – livestreamed**

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Mass – livestreamed**

Monday 22 January

10.00am – St John's – **Requiem Mass for Kathleen Brown – livestreamed**

4.00pm – Parish House – **Justice and Peace Group Meeting**

7.00pm – Zoom – **Gospel Sharing** – click [HERE](#) or type <https://bit.ly/48NV2NS>

Tuesday 23 January

7.00pm – Parish House Prayer Room – **Mass – livestreamed**

7.45pm – Parish House – **RCIA (Catechumenate 6)**

Wednesday 24 January - 10.00am – St John's Hall – Mass – livestreamed

Thursday 25 January – FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL

10.00am – Mary Magdalene's – **Mass – livestreamed**

6.00pm - Parish House – **Preparation for Reconciliation for P3 'Parish Children'**

Friday 26 January - 10.00am – St John's Hall – Mass – livestreamed

Saturday 27 January - 12.30pm – St John's – Baptism of Kaolin Roberston

6.30pm – St John's – **Vigil Mass – livestreamed**

Sunday 28 January – FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9.30am – St John's – **Mass – livestreamed**

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Mass – livestreamed**



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

Janet Cunningham's Requiem Mass will be at 10am on Monday 29 January in St Mary Magdalene's.

From Archbishop Leo's Weekly 'Ad Clerum'

Job vacancy - The Archdiocese is looking to recruit a Finance Officer (full-time). The role holder should have accountancy experience with relevant qualifications and training. For details and how to apply visit <https://archedinburgh.org/vacancy-finance-officer/>. Closing date for applications is **Friday 26 January**.

Calling all singers and musicians! - The Archdiocesan Music Day is on Saturday 27 January at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. It is a free event for those who contribute to the liturgy in their parish through music and/or singing, as well as for anyone interested in finding out more about sacred music. Register at bit.ly/musicday2024

EVENT: Valentine's Retreat - The Archdiocesan Valentine's Retreat for married and engaged couples takes place at St Kentigern's Church, Parkgrove Avenue, Barnton, Edinburgh, on **Saturday 10 February 2024**, 2-5pm. It is an ideal way for couples to spend time together in quiet reflection and prayer, in thanksgiving to God for each other and all the positive things that spring from your relationship. Register at bit.ly/valretreat

EVENT: New Dawn Day - New Dawn in Scotland hosts a conference and parish healing service at Ss John Cantius & Nicholas Parish, West Main Street, Broxburn, EH52 5RJ on Saturday 3 February from 9:30am. Speakers are Fr Frankie Mulgrew, priest from the Diocese of Salford (and a former comedian), and Terry Quinn, an International Catholic Evangelist and bible scholar. Visit <https://newdawninscotland.com/>

World Day of the Sick – 11 February - The World Day for the Sick was introduced by St Pope John Paul II to help us remember to pray for all those who are ill and for their caregivers. He chose this day because it coincides with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Lourdes being a place of pilgrimage renowned for healing. Please pray for the sick of our parish and the family members, friends and professionals who help them.

EVENT: Stations of the Cross - Join people across the Archdiocese each Monday throughout Lent for our annual Stations of the Cross. It takes place on Zoom **each Monday at 7:45pm, beginning on Monday 19 February**, and lasts around 30 minutes. We will be praying for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. Register at bit.ly/lentstations

Event - The Bishops' Conference of Scotland Committee for **Interreligious Dialogue** hosts its Annual Colloquium Residential from **Friday 23 February to Saturday 24 February**. It takes place at the Conforti Centre in Coatbridge and this year's theme is *The Role Of Religious Experience In Interreligious Dialogue*. For details visit <https://www.interreligiousdialogue.org.uk/colloquium/>

Free places at SPUC annual conference! - SPUC's Youth Conference is a weekend which brings together 200 like-minded young pro-lifers to learn effective strategies and fuel your passion for defending the most vulnerable among us – unborn children and their mothers. The Conference runs **23 - 25 February** at Yarnfield Park Training Centre in Stone, Staffordshire, ST15 0NL. The Archdiocese has five fully funded places available, including travel. To apply: bit.ly/youthconference24 or contact the Pro-Life Office: prolife@staned.org.uk

Starting at school - A reminder for parents of children who will start school August 2024: If you intend for your child to go to a Catholic school, they should be baptised before registration takes place. If you have already registered them, it is not too late to have them baptised and to update your application by notifying the school. This will ensure they are given a place, as in cases where places are limited, children who are baptised Catholics will take priority. If your child is not baptised and you intend for them to go to a Catholic Secondary, this is also the case.

Soprano and bass wanted - St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh is seeking a soprano and a bass to sing in its Schola Cantorum octet. The choir sings weekly at the 12 noon Mass in the Cathedral, and at other services and concerts throughout the year. Alongside its core liturgical singing, recent highlights for the group have included singing as part of the Cathedral's pilgrimage to Rome in 2023, "Light from Light" candlelit concerts in the Archdiocese in 2022 and singing at the Festival Mass of the Cumnock Tryst in 2023. To apply or for more information, please contact Michael Ferguson, Director of Music, by 29 January: DirectorOfMusic@stmaryscathedral.co.uk

‘SAINT’ OF THE WEEK – Mary Ward (1586-1645)

Foundress of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Feast Day: 23 January

"I think, dear child, the trouble and the long loneliness you hear me speak of is not far from me, which whensoever it is, happy success will follow.... The pain is great, but very endurable, because He who lays on the burden also carries it."



In the lives of the great founders and reformers of religious orders there is ample record of the obstacles, calumnies, and persecution they endured as the price for charting new waters. Many of these stories end on a seemingly inevitable note of triumph. The story of Mary Ward, however, reminds us of the many others whose lonely struggles failed to surmount the obstacles in their path and whose dreams had to be entrusted to future generations.

Mary Ward's life began against the background of Elizabethan England and the intense persecution of the Catholic religion. Her family was among the landed gentry whose wealth and title allowed some private space to resist the severe anti-Catholic decrees. Her childhood was marked by secret visits from priests - often Jesuits - who had been quickly ordained overseas, smuggled into the country, and secretly passed from house to house, to celebrate their

forbidden Masses. This illicit practice of the Catholic religion was an act of treason, which could mean death not only for the priest but for the sheltering family.

Mary was beautiful and clever, and her family urged her to accept one of the marriage proposals that were readily available. But Mary would have none of it. She insisted instead that she was called to become a nun. This was a somewhat fantastic ambition, given that at the time there was not a single convent in England. Nevertheless, with the grudging support of a confessor, she won her family's approval, and so was smuggled out of the country to Catholic Belgium.

When she presented herself there to a bishop, she was disappointed when he instructed her to accept a position as a lay Sister - essentially a servant - to a community of Poor Clares. Though she found this assignment abhorrent, she nevertheless complied obediently, until a visiting superior of the order recognized her special qualities and set her free to pursue her true vocation.

Unfortunately, Mary had difficulty finding such a vocation among the opportunities at hand. Her search led her through a number of false starts and dead ends. She had come to believe that she was not called to conventional enclosed religious life. Instead, inspired by the example of the Jesuits, she conceived of an institute of women living in a non-enclosed community, free of episcopal authority, who could carry out apostolic work in the world. To say the least, it was an idea ahead of its time.

Nevertheless, Mary was able to convince a number of influential church authorities, including a good Jesuit confessor, of the value of her plan. There followed the first of a number of clandestine visits to England to seek recruits for her community. If she did not have to resort to the subterfuge of the underground priests, she still had to be wary of the constant threat of spies. In the disguise of a travelling gentlewoman, she made her rounds of the Catholic households, exhorting the faithful, assisting priests in preparing people for baptism and the other sacraments, visiting and comforting priests in prison, and inspiring a half dozen women to take the leap with her into the unknown.

During one of her visits, she was finally discovered and thrust into prison. Sentenced to death, she fully expected to meet her end. But as a result of external political factors of the time, she was spared the ultimate punishment and was instead permitted to accept exile. Back in Europe Mary went about forming her band of followers into a religious community as she simultaneously engaged in the labyrinthine pursuit of official approval for her Institute. She travelled to Rome and won an audience with the pope, who gave her tentative permission to develop her project. The formal recognition she sought, however, was not forthcoming.

As she discovered, her enemies were not only in Protestant England. Her devotion to the spiritual vision of St. Ignatius fed the distrust of secular clergy, who were rivals of the glamorous Society of Jesus. Her Institute was mocked as a house of "Lady Jesuits." But beyond the territorial jealousies of English Catholics,

there was the wider resistance, in principle, to the radical program that Mary outlined. While elements of her program were admired - especially her proposal for free schools for Catholic girls - her adamant insistence that the Institute be non-enclosed and that it remain free of episcopal jurisdiction, ran head on against the prescribed place of women in the church. While some bishops offered polite approval for her plans, most ultimately shared the opinion of one priest who, while admiring the Sisters' fervour, noted, "*When all is done they are but women!*"

After she had established houses in a number of cities and had won wide admiration for her exemplary schools, notification came from Rome in January 1631 that the Institute was to be suppressed. Within days messengers arrived to take Mary into custody on the charge of being a "*heretic, schismatic, and rebel to the Holy Church.*" Though her imprisonment in a convent was brief, the suppression of the Institute continued in effect, and she remained under a cloud of ecclesial disapprobation.

In broken health she returned to England. The penal laws against Catholics were still in effect, and once again she faced surveillance and the possibility of arrest. She died in York at the age of sixty on January 23, 1645. In 1703 the rule of her Institute was finally confirmed by Pope Clement XI.

See Mary Oliver, L.B.V.M., Mary Ward (New York: Sheed & Ward, 1959).

NOTICEBOARD

Contact details for the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP):

By phone or text: 07752682213 - email: svpedineast@gmail.com



Fr Jock is away from Tuesday to Friday an attempt - after a two and a half year 'rest' - to get back into the book on his priest uncle Jock that he began to work on in 2010 (!), and which he hopes (against hope) might be finished this year – involving cutting from 450,000 words to 370, 000....please pray for a fruitful few days....and, as so often, **Fr Jim Smith** will very kindly be covering for him...

If you are coming to Mass in St John's, please WRAP UP WARM – particularly this arctic w/e... we are doing our best to ensure the Church is as warm as possible (aided by our industrial heater) and to continue to try to find ways to increase that warmth! The St John's Pastoral Council met last Monday and considered whether to move the Vigil and 9.30am Masses to St Mary Magdalene's but came to a consensus that those who wanted a 'warmer' Mass already had the option of going to the 11.15am Mass at St MM's and that for the moment both Masses would remain at St John's.

For the moment the St John's weekday Masses will be celebrated in the (warm) Hall

This Sunday we are giving a copy of Mark's gospel – in either a small or large version – out FREE to everybody as it is the Word of God Sunday... however, inevitably that involves a considerable outlay...**if anyone would like to help fund this gift**, please hand in a donation to the parish house – or leave it in the basket at the back of either Church.

If anyone would be interested being part of the parishes' new ALPHA TEAM, could they please make contact with Fr Jock or Bronagh Power 07902 607936). There are various different roles, including that of hospitality... training will be offered at the beginning of February, and **we hope to offer out first course week beginning 25 February**.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is normally celebrated from 18 to 25 January...the Holy Huddle (the group of Portobello ministers and priests) met this week and decided that this year we would have our week of lunchtime gatherings for prayer and a shared lunch as part of our Lenten journey – from Monday 19 to Friday 23 February.

Phyllis McLeay writes: 'A request for washable nappies, baby and toddler clothes continues – in aid of a local maternity hospital in Africa. Donations can be handed in to the Parish House. Thank you to those who have already given so generously'.

Lord, let's celebrate –
*for you never see us as Muslim or straight, poor or Sikh, gay or rich, Christian or black,
but as persons created in love and bearing your image.*
(Peter Miller)

Knock Pilgrimage 2024 – Natali (from the tour operator) writes: 'Escorted Tour to Knock & Co Mayo, 10 March 2024. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport, with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.'

*There is much organised hate in the world
but there is also much organised love.*
(Albie Sachs)

A NEW INITIATIVE – AN ORAL HISTORY PROJECT ... initially in St John's (and then, hopefully in St Mary Magdalene's)

Ann Chan, who arrived in Scotland from Hong Kong in 2022, and who has a background in media work, has been keen to find out more about the history of her new parish of St John's, and has suggested an Oral History of the parish which she is willing to co-ordinate. She writes below...

Volunteers Needed...

Subject: 📖 Join the Adventure: Seeking Storytellers for Our Parish Chronicles! 📖

Dear Parishioners,

Do you have a passion for stories, a curiosity about the unique journeys of our fellow parishioners, and a flair for bringing tales to life? And if you already have some basic interviewing skills, even better! If so, we need YOU to join our team of interview volunteers for an Oral History Project!

What's the scoop?


We're embarking on a quest to capture the vibrant narratives of our diverse parish community. We want to hear the tales of first confessions, the mysteries of bake sale triumphs, the epic adventures of finding the perfect pew, and everything in between!

Your Mission, Should You Choose to Accept:

Become a Parish Historian! Engage in riveting conversations with your fellow parishioners. Unearth the gems of their faith journey, the amusing anecdotes, and the heartwarming tales that make our parish a unique tapestry of stories.

How to Join the Adventure:

Say YES to God, reply "I'm In!" with an email to Enrico, our administrator, on the parish email – stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com – or give your name to Fr Jock

 **Deadline for Sign-Ups** - Detailed plans for starting up the project is to be discussed as soon as a working team is formed....

PATHWAYS THROUGH THE DESERT

A 5-week guided Retreat-in-Daily-Life during Lent

The Edinburgh Jesuit Church of the Sacred Heart joins with Ps & Gs Episcopal Church, York Place
Sunday 18 February to Sunday 24 March 2024

*Get closer to God, find new ways of praying,
find prayerful ways to make a decision, discover how sacred you really are.*

If this is something for you, apply for this Retreat-in-Daily-Life by sending an email by 1 February to EJC: ejcretreats@jesuit.org.uk and you will receive an application form.

A REFLECTION ON THE READINGS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - 1 Cor 7: 29-31 Mark 1: 14-20

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

One of the clients who regularly comes to Adrian's Pilates classes seems to spend most of the time 'wafting' through life. I'll call her 'H'. 'Wafting' is not a word that would have immediately sprung to my mind – it was first used by a much more elderly class visitor – but it sums up 'H'. I was in Hexham yesterday, having set myself a challenge of walking with shopping bags from shops to car with no walking aid – just my new knee joint for support. It was bitterly cold but my spirits were lifted as I saw H wafting towards me, ivory coloured beanie hat complementing her mocha Puffa jacket, and contrasting leggings (as you can tell, this was just a momentary glance). She was wearing sunglasses to protect her eyes from the glare of the winter sun. I could have done with those same glasses to protect me from her beaming smile. When anyone meets her, they are met with the same smile. She is tall, blond, drives a black, top of the range 4x4. The car, like her, is always immaculate – not due to any effort on her part – but down entirely to her husband who would be the first to admit that when it comes to cars, he is obsessive. She is invariably a couple of minutes late for her Pilates class and climbs out of the car accompanied by a cloud of something subtle and expensive. I haven't a clue what it is, but it trails in her wake and is complimented by her 'lululemon' or 'Sweaty Betty' outfits perfectly. Just as she wafts in and out of the class, so she wafts effortlessly through the most strenuous of routines.

Anyone encountering her for the first time might be forgiven for thinking 'airhead' as an immediate adjective. More than two encounters, however, reveal an intelligent, thoughtful, and kind individual who, no matter how full the room, focusses on you as though you are the only person present. By her own admission she is on the autistic spectrum – and she must work at social interaction. But work she does, as she does on her fitness and exercise, and always looking her best. She wasn't always like this. A few years back her younger sister was tragically and suddenly killed in a car crash. Her world was turned upside down. Her younger sister had been the confident, bubbly one who had enough love in her life to make room for everyone. 'H' was the withdrawn one, whereas her sister was the outgoing one. Her sister's death changed all that and it fell to H, or so she thought, to take her sister's love to everyone. It was down to 'H' to seize the day. She learned to be confident and to have the confidence to take her own love to everyone. It would be her tribute to her sister. To use her own words, from the desolation of a sudden and shattering death came the desire to live life fully and be as good and kindly as possible. Where once there had been a withdrawn person, uncertain, unsure, there blossomed someone able to be happy and bring happiness and thrive on that same happiness. I'm no longer sure that waft is a worthy verb to describe H's journey through life. I think 'glide' is much more apt. 'H' glides through life, and being the old romantic that I am, for me she scatters fairy dust wherever she goes. We encounter love incarnate and the aroma is dizzyingly heady.

Occasionally, we all meet people who make a deep impression. We may have married them, or they may be someone we met when we were doing some voluntary work. They glide into our lives, touch us with their witness and make us and the world around them richer for their touch. In today's Gospel we read: "*Follow me, and I will make you into fishers of men*". And ***at once*** they left their nets and followed him. The immediacy has always struck me about this whole episode. Jesus calls and we can dawdle but I suspect he is looking for something more immediate. The reality is that we don't have a lot of time at our disposal. All that Jesus asks is that we show the power of his love, and more importantly the urgency of his message. The task is huge. Each week I spend time drawing these thoughts together. I can never empirically measure their effectiveness. I take the example of the Sower, knowing that I will meet stony ground as readily as he did, fertile ground if I am lucky, all the while running the dual gauntlet of birds and weeds. The size of the task facing us was brought to mind vividly to life this week. We learned of Bronson Battersby, the two-year-old who starved to death, taking his last breaths wrapped around his dead father's legs and we learned of a king's prostate gland and abdominal surgery carried out on a princess. The following day, most of the papers focused on the latter not the former. This is the size of the task we face.

Brothers our time is growing short.... the world as we know it is passing away (! Cor 7:31)

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently:

*Cormac McHenry - Susan Lenahy -
Eric Poncet - David Mitchell -
Peter Hancock*

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

*Joe McGlade- Mary Service
baby Connall Tierney - Marie Ross -
Michael Wynn - Mary Greenan -
Barbara Devlin - Liz Saddler -
Mollie Lugton*

Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:

St. John's:

Eddie and Robert Clark, John Lawler, Donna Buchan, Christina Wilson, Jimmy Curnyn, Jimi Boyle, Sheila Tansey, John Cregan, Pat Gilmartin, Charlotte and Fred McGregor, Baby Grayson McNally, Irene Flynn, Mike and Patricia Lawler, Anne Thomson, David Reid, Ann O'Brien, Kathie Gallagher, Diane McCarthy, Raymond Walker, Margaret Duffy, Mike Burns, Harry Allan, May Thomson, Carol Simpson, Kenny O'Connor, Rose Thornton, Mike Noonan, John Whyte, Maria Pacitti, Ann Dobie, Sheelagh Dobson, Chloe Sutherland, Nora Bruce, Ruth Vizor, Mary Grady, Pauli Walker, May Flynn, Vincent Knowles, young Saoirse Golden, Frances Cunningham, Betty Dougal, Sarah McManus, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Maureen Low, Mary Slight, Norman Telfer, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers and Marie Angela Crolla.

St Mary Magdalene's:

Monica Gorman, Sam Burns, Aisha Montgomery, Eleanor Campanile, John McLaughlin, Mary McGovern (jnr), Carolynne McCann, Tom Bauld, Jacqueline Marinello, Sandra Watt, Chris English, Andrew Farmer, Maria Scott Jnr, Louise Gorman, Bridget Malone, Charles Malcolm, Margaret Ryan, Julie Keegan, Annie Watson, David O'Donnell, Jude Ferguson and James Muir.

Offertory 14 January 2024

St Mary Magdalene's, £260.40 total, including £200.35 Offertory and £97.00 Gift Aid.

St John's, £1214.50 total, including £304.70 Offertory, £129.80 Gift Aid, and £780.00 online donations.

Justice and Peace Special Collection

£524.61 between the 2 Parishes

Anniversaries:

St John's:

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); **Jan.23:** Margaret MacKenzie (2022) Liz Saddler (2016); Irene C C Wheatley (1999); Catherine Gilroy (1997); **Jan.24:** Mary Conner (1997); Adolf Haller (1974); Thomas & Mary Kyle; **Jan.25:** Elizabeth Hooper (2007); Patrick Murray (2000); Margaret Kelly (1991); Winifred Roper (1985); Annie Brown (1972); Helen Dykes (1959); Teresa Gaffney; **Jan.26:** Mollie Lugton (2021); Elizabeth Gillies (2004); Veronica Wallace (2002); Teresa Fusco (1998); James Halpenny (1982); Mollie Walsh (1979);

St Mary Magdalene's:

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:

Steven Thornton, Ann Fleming, Marna Clarke, Jennifer Lackie, Raymond McCabe, Eugene Feehan, Mag Farnon, Canon Andrew Monaghan, Jim Gray, Ann Currie, Baby Thomas Hayward, Jacob Green (aged 13), Pat Campanile, Jill Harvey, Barbara Duff, Stephen Hirt, Mireille McNab (aged 13), Michelle Lee, Fiona and George McDermott, Michael Daly, Roger Bromley, Richard Reid, Douglas Edington, Anne Morris, Dr Grier Gordon, Nessa Campbell, Mike Fox, Rose May Mattison, Brian Gurney, Alec Robb, Dave Cook, Shirley Robertson, Miranda McDonnell, Mary Madden, John Wiggins, Lucy Pagett, John Curran, Saramma Samuel, Margaret Troupe, Peter Robinson, Peter Hanley, Kate Titterington, Helen Robertson, baby Josh Simpson, Shona Killin, Tom Heaney, Mary Whyte, Tish Deacon, Elizabeth McGrath and Granny Elizabeth, Andrew Muldoon, John Havard, Mary Wallace, Ellen Green, Sophie Robinson, Louise Young, Tricia Scott, Harriet Wingfield Digby (aged 10), Alan Proudlock, Evelyn Walsh, Grace Stuart, Stephen Norwood, Agnes Clarke, David Fenwick, Maurice McAllister, Rita Noonan, members of the McGrath Family, Hans Zaunbrecher, Judith Franklin, Clare Johnston, Mary and Derek Lamarque, Keiran Smart (aged 16), Michael Doherty, Carol Turnbull, Jean Wylie, Angela Khan, Tara Kuppinger, Charlotte O'Brien, young Martha Moyes (aged 6), Jennifer Kay, Seval and Kazim Kazimoglu, Ann Watt (Mgr Rae's sister), Jan Meise, Tony Rigg, Stuart Falconer, Elizabeth, Elizabeth and Gordon Marron, Katie McAnenny, John Kellagher, Ann Thorp, Dani Miniette, Peter Millar, Joan Murray Hamilton, Sr Margaret Mary, Betty Blyth, Lauren Fitzpatrick, Michael Igoe, Clare Richardson, James O'Rourke, Tommy Muir, James Shepherd, Andrew Franklin, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.

