THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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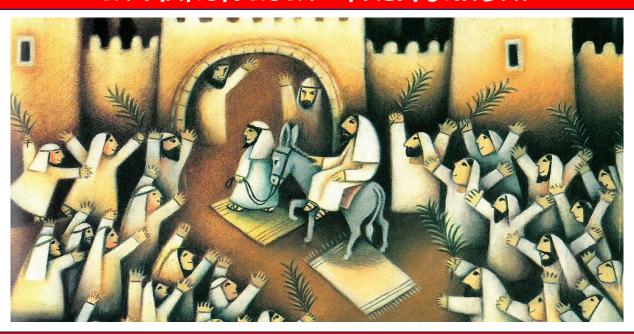
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24 MARCH 2024 - PALM SUNDAY



'Hosanna! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest heavens!'

(Mark 11:10)

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...

This Sunday is Palm Sunday ... and our Lenten journey culminates in the Services of Holy Week. We encourage you to join in all the services of the 'Triduum' (literally, the three great days' – from Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday - especially if you have not done so before), and also Monday's ecumenical stations, as by participating in these ceremonies we enter into the heart of God and understand how far God will go for his beloved creation....and please continue to pray for our RCIA catechumen and candidates – Matthew Dalziel, Rachel Berry, Tommaso Fertini, Danni and Evan Glass, Gillian Harvey, Rob Holden and Mary Renwick, who will be baptised/received, confirmed and make their first communion at the Easter Vigil.

'For the followers of Jesus to celebrate the passion and death of the Lord is a demonstration of heartfelt gratitude to, and joyful worship of, the incredible love of God, and a call to live like Jesus in solidarity with all crucified victims' – Jose Pagola

Living Faith, the Redemptorist magazine, with a reflection for each day for the next three months of the year, **continues to be available free at the back of both churches** (though if you would like to help us cover costs, a donation of £2 would do so...!).

Fr Jock is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation after morning Mass on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 25-27 March, and any time by appointment.

Flyers for Holy Week and Easter - Fr Jock writes: 'If you receive this newsletter by email, one of the attachments is a flyer for the Holy Week Services... please print off one or two and hand to friends who might be interested in coming along to one of our services. Alternatively, if you are at Mass this weekend, please pick up two or three hard copies and, again, share with your neighbours and friends. Thank you...'

NB One change to last week's final version – the Easter Vigil at St Mary Magdalene's is at 8.00pm not 8.30pm



Please remember to return your SCIAF 'Wee Boxes' during Holy Week – ideally before Holy Thursday to St John's – so they can be included in that evening's Offertory Procession.

Those attending the Ecumenical Stations of the Cross (on Monday night at 7.30pm) and the Easter Vigil are encouraged to bring small torches/mobile phones (on silent...!) in order to be able to participate while the Church is in darkness.

Holy Thursday — Mass of the Lord's Supper: those attending are asked to consider the possibility of participating in the footwashing that takes place after the Gospel, following the example of Jesus at the Last Supper, and his words — 'Blessed are you if you do likewise.'.... There'll also be the opportunity of handwashing, for those who prefer.

Watching with Jesus in Gethsemane (till 11.00pm) – The Altar of Repose will be in St John's Hall.

At the Good Friday Solemn Liturgy (3.00pm – St Mary Magdalene's), as you enter you will be offered a stone. Later in the service, when we process to venerate the Cross, we will have the opportunity of leaving 'our' stone in one of the baskets at the foot of the Cross – a symbolic way to leave our cares and worries at the feet of our Saviour, crucified out of love for us.

A Request for Child Readers at the Good Friday Children's Stations Friday 29 March: 9.30am: St John's Church

Katrin Ottersbach writes: 'The Good Friday Children's Service is a lovely take on the story of Good Friday but at the children's level. There are 14 Stations and 2 Readings for which we are looking for readers. They are simple and short - therefore we would welcome participation from children of any age. It may be of particular interest to the Sacramental children in P3, 4 and 7. The service should last no longer than 1 hour.

Should your child be available to read, please contact Katrin (katrin.ottersbach@ed.ac.uk).

Please continue to pray for our Alpha Group... The Alpha Team writes: 'Five weeks ago a group of parishioners from both St John's and St Mary Magdalene's started their journey on the Alpha course. Each week we meet in the St John's Parish Hall to have a meal, watch a video on the topic for that week, and then to share our views and raise any burning questions. It is a special time for reflection on our faith and offers an opportunity to make good connections with fellow parishioners.

Please do keep the participants in your prayers over the coming weeks as we continue our journey and for the fruitfulness of the course for us all.'

The April Holy Hour is postponed – Deacon Eddie writes: 'It has been decided that the Holy Hour will not take place in April - partly as it would be due to occur just days after Easter Sunday and partly as we want the April Eucharistic focus to be on our Eastertide 40 hours Adoration/Quarant'ore ...more information to follow.'

Deep Sea Divers - Portobello Holiday Club 2024 – 15-19 July

Michelle Brown writes: 'Our seventh Portobello Holiday Club will take place on 15-19 July 2024 from 9am to 12:30pm at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church and at St Mark's Scottish Episcopal Church. Our theme is Deep Sea Divers and we will be diving into the Gospel of Matthew with several stories about Jesus. Six local churches are working together to bring a fun filled week of games, crafts, gardening, science, bible study, music, storytelling, baking and much more for children currently in P1-P7. We have a big team of youth volunteers as well.

We are looking for volunteers for group leaders, group helpers, arts and crafts, nature, snacks, team challenges, gardening and general help.

If you are interested in helping, please email <u>portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com</u> to be sent an online form to volunteer or chat with your church's holiday club representative (Michelle Brown or Lourens de Jager at PJPC, Heather Williams or Morven Wraight at PBC, Bridget Blackmore at St Mark's or Fr Jock Dalrymple for St John's and St Mary Magdalene's). New volunteers will also need two references and you need to complete a PVG safeguarding application with your home church for working with children. Youth helpers are also welcome!

Registration is now open for children currently in P1-P7. Email portobelloholidayclub@gmail.com to be sent an online form to register for holiday club. The cost to attend is £15 per child for the full week or £3 per day per child. If cost is prohibitive, please speak with Michelle Brown as some funded places are available. We would also love donations of home baking for the volunteers and donations of undersea themed decorations.'

....and a Parish Representative Needed

Lynda Kazimoglu writes - Following several years as the parish representative within the Portobello interchurch holiday club, I am now looking to stand down to focus on other things. The holiday club is for Primary age children across the area and runs for 5 consecutive morning sessions in July each year. Each of our local churches have representatives who attend just 2-3 short meetings a year (often online) to plan for this, and children from all churches are welcome.

We're looking for 1 or 2 people from the parish to take over this role. A bit of background... In the years I have been representative I have felt so privileged to work with the planning team and all of the hundred or so young people, volunteers and youth volunteers who are so committed to bringing about a really positive experience for our kids in God's love. The club runs activities in arts/craft, baking, hall games, gardening, quiet space, science-based tasks, celebrating God, working together and being part of a team. My *own* children have really loved going and always come home with the buzz of new friends, with stories to share. They are now looking to volunteer as youth members. If you'd be interested in helping to plan, or just taking part in the meetings to help our parish remain part of this incredible initiative, please do get in touch with Fr Jock or Enrico in the Parish Office. Or if you have any questions stop me any time at church and say hi. I'd love to share with you what a wonderful opportunity this is.'

THIS WEEK

Saturday 23 March - 6.30pm - Hall/St John's - Procession and Vigil Mass - livestreamed

Sunday 24 March – PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

9.30am – Brighton Park/ St John's – **Procession and Mass** – *livestreamed*

11.15am – Courtyard/St Mary Magdalene's – Procession and Children's Mass – livestreamed

7.00pm – St John's Hall – **Alpha Course** – Evening 5

Monday 25 March

10.00am - St John's Hall - Mass - livestreamed

7.30pm – St John's – **Ecumenical Stations of the Cross** – *livestreamed*

Tuesday 26 March

10.00am – St John's Hall - Mass – livestreamed

7.00pm – St Mary's Cathedral – **Chrism Mass**

Wednesday 27 March

10.00am – St John's Hall – **Mass** – *livestreamed*

10.45am – St John's – **Stations of the Cross** (led by the Legion of Mary)

6.45pm – Parish House – **RCIA Retreat**

Thursday 28 March – HOLY THURSDAY

9.45am - St John's - Requiem Mass for John Cregan - livestreamed

7.30pm – St John's – Mass of the Lord's Supper and Watching in Gethsemane – concluding with Night Prayer at 11.00pm in the Hall – livestreamed

Friday 29 March – GOOD FRIDAY

9.30am – St John's – Children's Stations of the Cross – livestreamed

10.45am – St John's – **Ecumenical Service** – *livestreamed* (followed by Hot Cross Buns!)

3.00pm – St Mary Magdalene's – Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – livestreamed

7.30pm – St John's – **Stations of the Cross** – *livestreamed*

Saturday 30 March – HOLY SATURDAY

10.00am – St John's – Morning Prayer and Office of Reading

11.00am – St Mary Magdalene's – Easter Vigil Rehearsal for RCIA candidates

8.00pm – St Mary Magdalene's – **Easter Vigil Mass with Baptism, Receptions, Confirmations** and First Communions – *livestreamed*

Sunday 31 March – EASTER SUNDAY

7.00am – Beach at Joppa – **Ecumenical Service**

9.30am – St John's – Easter Morning Children's Mass – livestreamed

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Easter Morning Children's Mass** – *livestreamed*

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

FROM ARCHBISHOP LEO'S "AD CLERUM"

Funding support to Study Theology - The Archdiocese can confirm that SAAS funding is available from April for all Scottish students taking the MA in Applied Catholic Theology course 2024/25. The course is offered by St Mary's University in partnership with the Archdiocese at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh. To register/enquire visit https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/applied-catholic-theology. A webinar will be hosted by the Archdiocese on Wednesday 29 May (6-7pm) for prospective students. Details to follow shortly.

Holy Week Webinar - Join Monsignor Patrick Burke, from St Mary's Cathedral, to meditate on the Passion of Christ as written in the Gospel of St John. This Zoom event takes place at 6:00pm on Palm Sunday (24 March) on Zoom. The event is a good way to start Holy Week in a spirit of reflection and to discover insights into Christ's Passion. Register at <a href="https://doi.org/10.108/john.1

Pro-Life Stations of the Cross - This Monday (25 March) at 7:45pm, praying for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. Includes a reflection from Archbishop Leo Cushley. Register at https://bit.ly/lentstations

Chrism Mass - The Chrism Mass takes place at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh at **7:00pm on Tuesday 26 March**. Archbishop Cushley will consecrate/bless the holy oils that will be given to parishes and priests from across the Archdiocese will renew their priestly promises to serve God & His people.

Conversion Practices - The Scottish Government is consulting on a proposal to end 'conversion practices' in Scotland. The Catholic Church unequivocally condemns violent, abusive, coercive practices. The proposals, however, risk criminalising the mainstream pastoral work of churches and parental guidance given lovingly and in good faith. Respond to the consultation using the guidance at https://bit.ly/guidancescot. The closing date for responses is **Tuesday 2 April**.

Mass with African & Caribbean community - The monthly Mass for the African & Caribbean community takes place at St Cuthbert's, 104 Slateford Road, Edinburgh, EH14 1PT, on Sunday 7 April at 2.00pm. All welcome.

Assisted Suicide warning - What will be the impact if assisted suicide is legalised in Scotland? Watch the Archdiocesan webinar 'Euthanasia: A Warning from Canada' on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel (30 mins). Sign the online petition at www.carenotkilling.scot

Events in the Archdiocese - For a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese visit https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/

Start being brave about everything, driving out darkness and spreading light as well.

Don't look at your weakness, but realise that in Christ crucified you can do everything.

St Catherine of Siena (1347-1380)

SAINT OF THE WEEK – St Margaret Clitherow (d.1586)

English Martyr – Feast Day: 25 March

"Jesu, have mercy on me."



Margaret Clitherow was the first woman martyr for the Catholic faith in England during the reign of Queen Elizabeth. The daughter of a wealthy merchant of York, she married John Clitherow, a prosperous butcher, at the age of sixteen. Though raised as a Protestant, Margaret converted to the Catholic faith some years after her marriage, apparently inspired by the sufferings of so many Catholics under the repressive penal laws of the time. John Clitherow did not share his wife's new faith, but he placed no obstacles in her way, even when her public reputation as a Catholic incurred fines and other penalties. At one point Margaret was imprisoned for almost two years. She welcomed this as a period of retreat and put her time to good use by learning to read.

Despite the proven risks, Margaret offered a safe haven in her home for fugitive priests, housing them in a specially hidden room where she and other underground Catholics could attend Mass. Her husband turned a blind eye to these goings-on, though she made little secret of her faith. Often she was seen praying at the site of the

gallows where many priests had offered their lives. On March 10, 1586, she was arrested. A search of her house uncovered the secret room along with vestments and other vessels and books obviously intended for Mass. Charged with sponsoring illegal religious services, she refused to enter a plea, hoping thus to spare her family and friends the risks of testifying in a trial. She knew, however, that this would automatically incur a judgment against her and the terrible penalty of death by pressing.

In vain the judge urged her to seek the mercy of the court, entreating her to consider her obligations to her husband and children. "I do honour my husband and love my children, according as duty and nature bindeth me," she replied with stalwart conviction, "but I am so far from seeking to help them by yielding unto your desires as that I wish both husband and children might suffer death with me in this good cause." While she was imprisoned, she was not permitted to see her children, and only once saw her husband in the presence of the jailer. When he heard of her sentencing, John Clitherow "was like a man distracted, crying out that they would murder the best wife within the kingdom and the best Catholic."

She spent the last night of her life in prayer, accompanied by the jailer's wife, whose company she had requested ("Not that I fear death, for that is comfort; but the flesh is frail"). The next morning, March 25, she was taken to the site of her execution. Aside from her executioners there were a number of persons present, including several women. The sentence required that she be stripped naked for execution. The sheriff refused her request to forego this humiliation, but he and the men agreed to avert their eyes while the women undressed her.

Urged to beg the queen's forgiveness and also that of her husband, she replied, "If ever I have offended him, I do ask him for forgiveness from the bottom of my heart." Then she was placed on a sharp stone with a board laid over her on which steadily increasing weights were applied. She endured this punishment for only fifteen minutes before her ribs were shattered.

Her last words were "Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, have mercy on me." She was canonized in 1970 by Pope Paul VI. Her feast is celebrated on October 25 among the "Forty Martyrs of England and Wales."

See: Father John Mush, "Bl. Margaret Clitherow," in Donald Attwater, ed., Martyrs: From St. Stephen to John Tung (New York: Sheed & Ward, 1957).

NOTICEBOARD

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

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

Our next Baptismal Preparation Course will take place on Thursday 11 April and Thursday 18 April at 7.30pm in the Parish House at 7.30pm. If you would like to participate, please make contact with Fr Jock.

St Mary Magdalene's Gift Aiders

Jean McInally, St Mary Magdalene's Treasurer, writes: 'Please note that the new gift aid envelopes for financial year 2024/2025 are available for uplift from the church porch; numbered boxed set will have your name on it.

If you are a Taxpayer but not currently signed up to the Gift Aid Scheme you might like to consider doing so. It does not cost you anything, you just complete a declaration form which would allow the Parish to claim a further 25p from HMRC for every £1 you donate to the church. Gift Aid Declaration forms are also available in the porch. If you would like more information please speak to any member of the Parish Finance Council namely, Jean McInally, Jennifer Morris, Aileen Hall or Fr Jock.

Many Thanks to all who support this scheme, it makes a significant financial difference towards the upkeep of our Parish.'

PS **St John's new Gift Aid envelopes** will be ready end of next week, as they have just been ordered. Thank you.

A message from the J&P Group - Drivers Wanted for the Bethany Care Van

'Are you under 70 with a clean driving licence? Can you spare 3 hours one Sunday every two months? The Bethany Care Van provides sandwiches and hot drinks to homeless people in Edinburgh. Volunteers from our two parishes – a driver and two servers – provide this service every second Sunday, meeting at Jane St, Leith at 11.45am and getting back there usually shortly before 3pm. The van makes four scheduled stops to dispense the food and drink as well as a bit of chat and friendly welcome.

With the number of volunteers we have at present, each volunteer is only scheduled once every two months. Unfortunately, we are losing one of our drivers, hence the appeal for new blood.

This is a service very much appreciated by people on the street and is enjoyed by the volunteers. If you can help, please contact Jim Roarty <u>jimroarty4@gmail.com</u> tel 07719952472'.

The fundraising 'Soup and Pudding' lunch, 'which was held at Clifton Mews on Monday 18 March, raised £874.00 for Mary's Meals. That money will be sent immediately to the Charity to enable them to feed children in schools in Ethiopia, where war and drought have led to malnutrition on a huge scale. The situation is desperate.

The event was very well attended and was greatly enjoyed. Many thanks to the parishioners from St John's and St Mary Magdalene's who worked together to provide and serve the food. Thanks to Jenny Morris, who had the technical expertise to play the film "Love Reaches Everywhere", which gives a moving picture of the work of Mary's Meals. The feedback was that we had created a friendly atmosphere, which allowed people to mix and enjoy each other's company.

The organisers worked really hard, but it was very worthwhile. We are all proud of this wonderful Scottish Charity'.

The Newman Association - Edinburgh Circle Meetings - *Promoting open discussion and greater understanding in today's Church. Mayfield Salisbury Church, 18 West Mayfield, Edinburgh, EH9 1TQ*

Monday 15 April - 7.30-9.30pm - "The Bible: a Mosaic", with Rev Dr Scott McKenna, Parish Minister for thirty years serving in Uddingston, Edinburgh and Ayr and the Spiritual Lead at the Ayrshire Hospice.

A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL FOR PALM SUNDAY

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

The BBC had their bubble well and truly burst last evening, Wednesday 20 March 2024. Remember this date. They had been invited into a majestic golden room; the same room formerly used as the Coronation Chamber for the Czars of Russia. Vladimir Putin was addressing the great and the wealthy of Russian society following his successful Presidential campaign. The BBC reporter, Steve Rosenberg, went on walkabout. He had been given a privileged ticket and a free rein. One of the individuals interviewed was a formidable woman in a beautiful emerald-green coat contrasting perfectly with the opulent gold leaf of the surrounding décor. She was asked if she was uneasy that there had been no viable opposition in the recent election. "Why do we need a viable opposition? Why is it that you think that the way you do things is the only way they can be done? What makes you think you can criticise us?" Then, she added: "We don't like you anyway" (The UK rather than Mr Rosenberg). It did make me chuckle. He was deflated, but it wasn't personal. The UK status in the world is much diminished. I was reminded of the mess that is present day Libya after our political leaders of the day proudly announced that they were going to liberate the peoples from Colonel Gaddafi's oppressive rule and impose 'Western-Style Democracy' on that country. That one went well, didn't it? My emerald-green clad Russian lady will be aware of what is going on, here in the UK. She possibly owns a £58 million house in Grosvenor.

Of course, British Democracy is the finest in the world. We know this because the 'establishment' reminds us. Where else could a ruling Government be elected in 2019 with only 43.6% of the vote (meaning that 56.4% did not support), and whose leader was found by his fellow MPs to have lied to Parliament and to the late Queen Elizabeth. Figures for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland are even less favourable. The President of Rwanda won his election with an even greater share of the vote than Vladimir Putin. Putin is the baddy, whereas Paul Kagame is the UK's best friend. Democracy is not an exact science. Corruption is insidious.

The same dilemma faced the people that Jesus rubbed shoulders with. The Jewish people considered themselves as God's chosen ones. Descended from Abraham, led by Moses and King David, guided by Solomon and Isaiah, they were secure. Had there ever been a god as great as their god? If their status amongst humanity was one of elevation and superiority, imagine for just a moment the levels of arrogance and self-assuredness amongst their religious leaders. The word 'narcissism' had almost been invented for them. And then from nowhere, an upstart appears. A carpenter's son, conceived out of wedlock who obviously couldn't even make a go of his trade. At the age of 30 he gave up his job and became nothing more than a scrounger, living off the hospitality of *others*. People started following him, and there were rumours of signs and miracles, but these were clearly the work of Satan – weren't they? The synagogues and Temple were emptying as people flocked to hear him and listen to what he had to say. They would gather on the hills, congregate by the lakeside. The talk started; *you must make a point of finding him and listening to him. He speaks with real authority and right from the heart. He lives as he talks. He's not at all like our own Scribes and Pharisees*. One even added: Do you know, I heard him addressing a group of Scribes, Elders and Pharisees. He told them they were just like a brood of vipers. They weren't best pleased, I can tell you.

The die was cast. You ruffle the feathers of the establishment at your own peril. The establishment, faced with an existential crisis, had to fight fire with fire. This troublemaker would have to be dealt with. WE cannot have people questioning our very identity and status. Where would it all end if we did nothing to snuff out this upstart. We know he is of the House of David because of Jospeh his father: we cannot claim he's an outsider, that he's not one of us. It's precisely because he IS one of us that he must be dealt with. We need two things – Herod and the Roman Authorities. They're corrupt and can be bought but we also need to whip up public opinion against him. That should be easy enough. Society – any society – likes nothing better than a scapegoat. The fact that you're reading this is proof that they couldn't *snuff out this upstart* but also serves as a reminder that we must never fall into the seductive power that accompanies the creation of a scapegoat.

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Pat Barrett
Francis Soba (father of Fr Emmanuel
Chorbe, formerly of St Teresa's,
Craigmillar)

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

Bridie McGlinchey - Elizabeth McEwing Helen Budge - David Jude Joseph Cahill Denis Critchley Salmonson -Alf McNamara - Stan Mackay Helen Hanlon - George Rush Mary Ann McGovern Alison Thomson

Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:

St. John's:

Benny Small, Aoife O'Hanlon, Robert Clark, Eddie Clark, Ian Thompson, John Lawler, Christina Wilson, Jimmy Curnyn, 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, 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 17 March 2024

St Mary Magdalene's, £352.57 total, including £151.57 Offertory and £201.00 Gift Aid.

St John's, £1277.34 total, including £200.34 Offertory, £333.00 Gift Aid, and £743.00 online donations.

Anniversaries:

St John's:

Mar.23: Bridie McGlinchey (2021); Nigel Tosney (2014); James White (2013); Patricia Durkin (2008); Cecilia McLaughlin (2000); Thomas Thomson (1997); John Berry (1977); Helen McCann (1974); William Clarke (1964); Mar.24: Alf McNamara (2022); Stanley Mackay (2021); Sarah Waugh (2010); Barbara Conlon (2009); Margaret Phair (2007); Alexander Sharp (1997); Bernard Coll (1965); Mar.25: Margaret McCartney (2012); Frank Connelly (1992); John Allen (1964); Maurice Brosnan; Natalie Valente; Mar.26: Mary Brown Fusco (2005); Angelo Young (1995); Mar.27: Eileen McCann (2017); James Lacey Jun (1991); Alice Baron (1970); Dorothy K Lynch (1964); Sarah Ferrier; Mar.28: Helen Hanlon (2019); Bridie Hughes (1994); Charles Marrins; Edward Baxter (Killed in action) (1943); Mar.29: Constance Miller (2013); Robert Duffy (2011); Charles Herriott (1998); John Ogilvie;

St Mary Magdalene's:

Mar.23: James Owens (1968); Mar.24: Mary Ann McGovern (2019); Mar.25: Stephen Archibald (1998); James Donoghue (1983); Kathleen Edwards (1981); Mar.26: Elizabeth McEwing (2019); Helen Budge (2002); Mar.28: Irene Valentine (2013);

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:

Silvestro Demontis, Brian McGhee, Hal Hoare, Jennifer Lackie, Rita Molloy, Monique Kopp, Mary Lyons, Mark McCann, Lochie Murray, Canon Andrew Monaghan, Elizabeth McKenzie, Jim Gray, Michael McKean, Steven Thornton, Ann Fleming, Marna Clarke, Raymond McCabe, Eugene Feehan, Mag Farnon, Ann Currie, 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, Shirley Robertson, Miranda McDonnel, Mary Madden, John Wiggins, Lucy Pagett, John Curran, Saramma Samuel, Peter Robinson, Peter Hanley, Kate Titterington, Helen Robertson, baby Josh Simpson, Shona Killin, Tom Heeney, 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 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.