

# THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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## 28 JANUARY 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR



In the synagogue in Capernaum there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit...it shouted, "What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God." But Jesus said sharply, "Be quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. (Mk 1.23-5)

*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...*

***A Meeting for our Two Parishes to Reflect on How We might Respond to Recent Horrors in Israel and Gaza, Ukraine and Russia - and elsewhere...***

***Thursday 1 February - 7.00pm - St John's Hall***

**Donald Scott writes:** 'Is there a way for us as Catholic Christians to deal with the extreme international horrors of recent years? The wars in Ukraine and Gaza confront us with images and stories that we recoil from. But if we feel powerless to do anything, we also know that everyone else seems to feel the same.

Are there commitments and 'ways of being' that we are called to as Christians in this context? Perhaps the call of Pope Francis for us to 'walk together' in synodality invites us to explore a faith response to the content on TV, radio, or social media - whether that be news or strongly expressed opinions.

It was agreed at the recent Open Meeting in St John's Hall in November to come together around this question that we know is one that many people share. **All most welcome.**

**A warm welcome to Mary Morrison from the South East Edinburgh Cluster of Parishes** (St John Vianney's, St Gregory's and St Catherine's). Mary will be speaking at all our Masses this weekend about her experience of **ALPHA** (their cluster has run several courses) ... our own Alpha will be one of our focuses in Lent – and will begin on Sunday 25 February.... there will be a chance to sign up for it from next weekend onward...(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 a warm welcome (and our thanks) to our two Safeguarding Co-Ordinators, Peter Gillam (St John's) and Alison Connelly (St Mary Magdalene's)** who will read out this week – as is required each year – the Safeguarding Statement.

*One of our other Lenten initiatives will focus on **The Chosen*** - we hope to organise **two or three house groups** that will meet to look at different episodes and then discuss them...if anyone is willing to **host or lead a group (brief 'training' and questions provided)**, please let Fr Jock know.

**Bernardette Campbell writes:** 'THE CHOSEN is an historical drama based on the life of Jesus Christ (played by Jonathan Roumie), seen through the eyes of those who knew him. Set against the backdrop of Roman oppression in first-century Israel, the seven-season show shares an authentic and intimate look at Jesus' life and teachings. The Chosen is based on the Gospels. Some locations and timelines have been combined or condensed. Backstories and some characters or dialogue have been added. However, all the bible and historical context and any artistic imagination are designed to support the intention of the Scriptures. Viewers are encouraged to read the scriptures alongside'.

There are many ways to watch. First, you can view all episodes for free in 'The Chosen' app—available for Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, iOS, and Android. Search 'The Chosen' wherever you download apps or channels for your streaming player or device. One or more seasons are also currently available on Amazon Prime, Netflix, Peacock, Apple TV, and more. You can watch on our website, <https://watch.thechosen.tv/> – ...but we hope you will watch as part of a Lenten house group!

## THIS WEEK

### **Saturday 27 January**

12.30pm – St John's – **Baptism of Kaelin 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*

### **Monday 29 January**

10.00am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Requiem Mass for Janet Cunningham** – *livestreamed*

12.45pm – Parish House – **Lunch for priests of the Cluster**

7.00pm – St John's Hall – **Reflection Evening for P4 'Do This in memory of Me' parents**

8.15pm – Zoom – **Gospel Sharing** – click [HERE](#) or type <https://bit.ly/3SfFVpw>

### **Tuesday 30 January**

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

7.45pm – Parish House – **RCIA (Catechumenate 8)**

### **Wednesday 31 January**

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

1.15pm – Piersfield Cemetery – **Burial Service for Mary Tait**

### **Thursday 1 February**

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

11.00am – Mount Vernon - **Burial of Ashes of Allan Guthrie**

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

7.00pm – St John's Hall – **An Evening of Reflection on the Christian Response to Gaza and Israel, Ukraine and Russia** (open to all)

### **Friday 2 February – FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

12.15pm – St John's – **Requiem Mass for Peter Hancock** – *livestreamed*

7.00pm – Parish House – **Pizza Evening for the Holy Rood Caritas Pupils (tbc)**

### **Saturday 3 February**

9.30am-1.00pm – St John's Hall – **Pamoja Fashion Sale**

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

### **Sunday 4 February – FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

9.30am – St John's – **P4 'Do This in Memory of Me' Mass** – *livestreamed*

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **P3 Children's Mass** – *livestreamed*

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



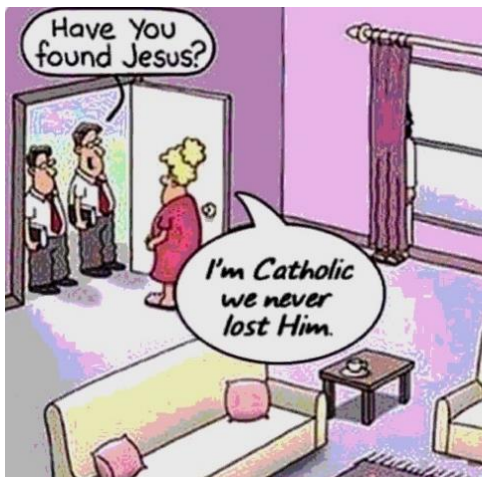
## **....and in the Coming Weeks**

Monday 12 February - 2.30pm – St John's – **Healing Mass**

Tuesday 13 February – 10.00am – St John's – **Requiem Mass for Linda Fuller**

**Wednesday 14 February – ASH WEDNESDAY**

Thursday 15 February – 10.00am – St John's – **Requiem Mass for Norah Bruce**



A Cartoon for the end of The Week of Prayer  
for Christian Unity

(something we are actually going to celebrate in the week  
beginning 19 February)

[The Old-Style Catholic Approach to Christian  
Unity!?!]

## **From Archbishop Leo's Weekly 'Ad Clerum'**

**Jubilee 2025** - The Holy Father has announced that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee. The theme is *Pilgrims of Hope*. For more information, visit the official website <https://www.giubileo-2025.it/en>. A Facebook page has been set up that will highlight resources and events in Scotland - search 'Holy Year Scotland 2025'. To help us prepare, the Holy Father has established 2024 as a Year of Prayer dedicated "to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world". Resources will be available soon.

**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](https://bit.ly/valretreat)

**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 (Ps & Gs) to Sunday 24 March 2024 (EJC)

*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](mailto:ejcretreats@jesuit.org.uk) and you will receive an application form.



## SAINT OF THE WEEK – St Paul (d. about 64)

*Feast Day (Conversion): 25 January*

*Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. " (Acts 9:3-6)*



What we know of Paul comes from his own Epistles and from the Acts of the Apostles, neither of which is designed to be in any way "biographical" in a modern sense: the letters are theological in purpose and only incidentally autobiographical, while the author of Acts (Luke) presents the story of Paul as the second part of his Gospel. Furthermore, the later letters are now generally taken to be attributed to Paul rather than written by him, which makes them less useful as a source of information about the later part of his life.

He is at pains to stress the exemplary and zealously Jewish nature of his upbringing. He writes in Greek but is clearly at home in Hebrew. He is generally thought to have been born about 4 BC in Tarsus (in what is now southern Turkey) and to have been educated in Jerusalem: Acts speaks of him sitting at the feet of the distinguished Rabbinic teacher Gamaliel. It then refers to his conversion in the context of the stoning of the first martyr, St Stephen, of

which he (still named Saul) approved. The famous story of the "*road to Damascus*" appears only in Acts, where it is repeated in three differing versions, whereas Paul himself refers to it only indirectly. Whatever happened, its consequences were seen as crucial for the development of the early Church. Stephen's death can be dated with some certainty to the year 36. The descriptions of the event in Acts may well be based on earlier stories, and the writer's concern is with calling rather than with conversion.

After his conversion, Paul withdrew to Arabia to pray - for three years, he says, though the "three" may be symbolic rather than accurate. He then went to Jerusalem and spent time with Peter, after which he began to travel and preach the message that Jesus was "*the Messiah and the Son of God*." This message aroused such hostility among the Jews (for whom calling Jesus "Son of God" was blasphemy) that Paul retired to his hometown of Tarsus for safety. His own account indicates a long period of fourteen years before he went to Jerusalem again. What then took place has come to be referred to as the Council of Jerusalem and is generally placed in the year 49. Essentially, Paul persuaded Peter that Gentiles should be admitted to the Church without previously being converted to Judaism and without having to comply with Jewish dietary and other laws. He thus opened up the missionary effort to the Gentile world and brought in what has been called the "*second age*" of the Church, which was that of the continuation of his mission in the cultures descended from classical Greece and Rome. This was to last until the "*true universalization*" of the Church's mission at the Second Vatican Council of 1962-5.

His famous journeys - including being let down in a basket from the prison walls in Damascus and being shipwrecked on Malta - around the eastern and central Mediterranean are split into three in Acts, but this may be less historical than to press home a point: that Paul was three times rejected by the Jews, three times turned to the Gentiles, and three times claimed that this fulfilled the prophecies of the Old Testament. He is said to have done this first at Antioch in Asia Minor, then at Corinth in Greece, and finally in Rome itself. His missionary activity in fact finished in Jerusalem, where Roman soldiers took him into protective custody when a hostile crowd was threatening. He appealed to the emperor on the grounds that he was a Roman citizen and was taken to be tried in Rome. This enabled Luke to provide a satisfying end to the story of how the gospel spread from Jerusalem to the capital of the great empire.

Paul's call to be an apostle and his subsequent teaching shifted Christianity from a Jewish sect to a world religion. This is a huge claim, and to exaggerate it by saying that he "*invented*" Christianity, as some have done, would be going too far. Paul's whole teaching is rooted in the experience of Jesus Christ crucified and raised from the dead, and what he expresses with unique vividness is rooted in the primitive Church. His great themes are the Kingdom of God, conversion, revelation, the centrality of the cross, the universal application of Jesus' message, justification through grace, and love as fulfilment of the Law. These have provided the basic material for virtually all subsequent Christian theology.

Exactly how and when he died in Rome is uncertain. He seems to have been kept under a fairly mild regime of house arrest, which allowed him to communicate with the Jewish community in Rome. He was then released for a time and re-arrested. He was executed at Tre Fontane, in the year 64 or 65. As a Roman citizen, he would have had the privilege of being beheaded instead of suffering one of the more barbarous forms of judicial execution used on non-citizens.

The belief that he died on the same day as St Peter probably arose from their shared feast-day. His body was buried where the basilica of St Paul without (outside) the Walls was built in the fourth and fifth centuries. The original stood until it was destroyed by fire in 1823; it was rebuilt to the same plan and reopened in 1854. Paul is the patron saint of Greece and Malta, as well as of the Cursillo movement and, by implication, of all forms of Catholic action.

*(The feast of the Conversion of St Paul on 25 January normal marks the closing day of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.)*

## NOTICEBOARD

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

By phone or text: 07752682213 - email: [svpedineast@gmail.com](mailto:svpedineast@gmail.com)



Society of  
St. Vincent de Paul  
Scotland

### 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).'*

**"Roving Mad", a jazz cabaret by The Swell Jeremy Thorp (keyboard), Malcolm Windsor (vocals) and Nick Gent (guitar) to raise funds for a STEKAskills women's hostel in Malawi will be held in St John's Hall on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2024, 8.00pm.** Tickets £12 from Jeremy Thorp: 07900278043, [jdt121@btinternet.com](mailto:jdt121@btinternet.com) or Eventbrite (The Swells): <https://bit.ly/3vNYaLd> - **More info next week.....**

**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'.

**Pamoja Sale Team** would like to thank our communities as they raised **£146.00** from the sale of hand knitted garments over the last weekends. All proceeds are towards this charity.

**Job Vacancy: Cook...** The Jesuit Community at Sacred Heart Church, Lauriston, is seeking to employ a cook for 2-hours a day Monday to Thursday and Sunday, 11.00am to 1.00pm. Could be split as a job share. Begins 26 February 2024. More information from [ejc@jesuit.org.uk](mailto:ejc@jesuit.org.uk)

**Justice and Peace Scotland Job opportunity:** Vacancy for Campaigns, Communications and Events Coordinator - 24 hours per week and will require a degree of flexibility as some travel, evening and weekend work is required. Salary: £21,000. Closing date: Monday 5 February 2024.

*To express interest in the post and for a full job description please email their Chairperson, Jill Kent, on: [jill.kent@justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk](mailto:jill.kent@justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk)*

## 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](mailto:stjohnsandstmarymagdalenes@gmail.com) – or approach Fr Jock

🕒 **Deadline for Sign-Ups – 1 February** - Detailed plans for starting up the project is to be discussed as soon as a working team is formed....

## A REFLECTION BY COLIN DAVEY FOR INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY – 27 January

*JUSTICE AND FORGIVENESS: TIGHT KNOTS AND FRAYED ENDS*

*Unlike justice, forgiveness would logically seem to have its limits. How true is that in practice though? Let's consider an extreme case: how could anyone ever forgive the Nazis for what they did to millions of 'ethnically and politically undesirables?'. I think especially of the star-branded children, brothers and sisters, cheeky pals jostling for the cinecamera. These lives were not for anyone to take; we may create life but not take it, whether mass murderer or state, or in this case both. The vast majority of staunch Nazis of all ranks and responsibilities escaped retribution, whether by guile or collusion or the luck of the devil, leaving generations of decent Germans to shoulder the guilt. Perhaps they forfeited all possibility of forgiveness, were never even concerned about being forgiven. In medieval terms, justice says may they burn in hell for what they did.*

*Recently, 97-year-old Irmgard Furchner was put on trial and convicted (a suspended sentence) of complicity to murder for her secretarial role at Stutthof Concentration Camp in northern Poland. She's clearly guilty – that she tried to do a runner speaks to that – but I don't hate Irmgard Furchner. A small administrative cog in a giant Nazi killing machine. We can understand how that might happen and perhaps can find forgiveness for this elderly lady with a deeply tainted youth, whatever her knowledge of the horrific crimes perpetrated there and her contribution to their fastidious bureaucracy. The trial had to take place, of course, but I'm not convinced much has been resolved or reconciled by her conviction. Perhaps it was a last chance to make up for the serious criminals who got away during that post-war period when everyone simply wanted to forget how awful it all was.*

*Crucially, in thinking through this issue, I realise that it's not for us to forgive the Nazis for what they did in the camps and elsewhere. That would be meaningless, grandiose even. No, it's for the few remaining survivors, their families and descendants. I suspect that forgiveness, rather than hard justice, is the greatest weapon that they have left, whether as individuals, groups or nations, and one that no committed Nazi could ever stomach. The last thing some people give up is their hatred, whereas for others it's their humanity: may they conquer evil with good and find peace.*

# A REFLECTION ON THE READINGS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - Deuteronomy 18: 1-20; Mark 1: 21-28

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

I first encountered Harry a few months back. He was struggling with the ridiculously small print on the back of a packet of 'Dried pasta in a rich mushroom and cream sauce'. Initially, I was attracted by his expletive laden cry – 'This is xxxxx ridiculous!' My eyesight is not brilliant, but I offered to help. I became his eyes for the duration. He didn't appear to be an allergy sufferer, he just preferred to know what he was eating. 'Good luck with that one' replied I. The only way you'll know is if you take complete control and cook from scratch. And then, with all the assurance of Mother Teresa holding court in a brothel, I informed him that a few years back we resolved to never eat a ready meal, never use tinned sauces nor anything containing colourings or artificial preservatives. However, identifying products and gleaned the required information presents a challenge of Herculean proportions. I sensed Harry would be an easy convert to my stance on food purity. We have become acquaintances rather than friends. Sometimes we share a coffee in what passes as the Tesco Café, a space, that has had more face-lifts than Barry Manilow, and is more akin to the school canteen at my old Primary School. We share our culinary successes and swap secrets such as the best places to buy fish and vegetables that are relatively free from human manipulation or interference. We mused that had we been teenagers, we would be experts in countering social media manipulation. His wife died in late 2021 and he had found himself in the deep end, trying to stay afloat in a sea of domesticity and self-preservation. He's older than me – but at our age, this particular metric is irrelevant. Age has given us both a confidence. We speak our mind, for we can see through the rhetoric of those who claim to be looking after our best interests. They're not! I shared with him my limited knowledge of the 'E' numbers to be avoided, he shared with me stories of a wife who was his best friend and heroine. She was his guardian angel. We were two old men, sat in a Tesco Café like bookends: they might look decorative and attractive but are limited in their usefulness, save for those occasions when a doorstep is urgently called for. 'It's the contempt in which we're held, that gets me', Harry confided one day. 'They're not really bothered about our well-being- they just want to be seen to conform to regulations. They're not bothered if we can read or understand the rules – that's why they make the print so small. We're irrelevant when compared to their profit margins.' His conviction shone through. The message was safe in our care.

I thought about Harry as I watched News at Ten last night. Rohit Kachroo, ITV's Global Security expert and his incredibly brave ITN camera crew had embedded themselves among a band of Houthi warriors. Where you and I would not venture out without house keys and wallet or purse, their must have accessory is a Kalashnikov rifle worn on the shoulder. One of the warrior companions, stood on sparrow thin legs, wearing a fetching, multi-colored sarong, (Be careful not to let him see you laughing!) had a weathered leathery face – the sort of face that would make Keith Richards of the Rolling Stones appear as the new poster boy of L'Oreal'. His eyes burned with conviction as he spoke, through an interpreter. He was not ranting nor screaming inanely. He would most definitely be out of place in a Trump rally, (even apart from his Sarong) where, in my opinion, the intellectually challenged meet and become incoherent with hysterical fervour. It set me thinking about what it means to be someone of conviction. The civilized 'West' wants you and I to believe that the God of righteousness shines on our cause and that the followers of violence in any other part of the world are savages and terrorists, animals and beneath contempt. But then again, they also want us to believe the small print on the back of a pasta and cream mushroom sauce mix just as they expected everyone to believe that the Post Office and Horizon could do no wrong. Yet we both know, things are much more complicated and nuanced than that.

This weekend, both Deuteronomy and Mark's gospel speak of the power of conviction. *Moses said, 'Your God will raise up a prophet, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. We listen – because he is one of us and one like us. His experiences are our experiences. Moses goes on to explain that God had instructed him: I will put my words into his mouth, and he shall tell them all I command him. Mark tells us that Jesus' teaching made a deep impression on them because unlike the scribes he taught them with authority. We are invited by God to become people of conviction with the inherent authority that is rooted on that same conviction. We don't need to worry about finding the right words because (he) will put his words into our mouths. Our side of the bargain? To be people of conviction. With conviction comes authority.*



# PARISH REGISTER

*Please pray for those who have died recently:*

*Nora Bruce*

*Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:*

*Phil Ewing - Nora Miller*

*Betty Blaney - Paul Bainbridge*

*Ann Carruthers - Patsy McAnenny*

*Edward Grady - Mike Cook*

*Angela Appleby - Maureen Brown*

*Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:*

**St. John's:**

Ian Thompson, 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, Ruth Vizer, 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

***Offertory 21 January 2024***

**St Mary Magdalene's, £302.61 total, including £161.61 Offertory and £141.00 Gift Aid.**

**St John's, £1211.90 total, including £294.50 Offertory, £137.40 Gift Aid, and £780.00 online donations.**

**SPUC Special Collection**

**£440.72 between the 2 Parishes**

***Anniversaries:***

**St John's:**

**Jan.27:** Betty Blaney (2021); Alexander Notman (2018); Paul Bainbridge (2015); Andrew Gilhooly (2000); Graham Scott;

**Jan.28:** Edward Grady (2011); Catherine M Gray (2007);

**Jan.29:** Patrick J Bannon (1992); Peter Kelly (1948);

**Jan.30:** James McGuire (1991); Elizabeth Keogh (1986); Bridget Meldrum (1986); Edward Stone (1975); Alice Boyle; **Jan.31:** Rita Roberts (2021); Maureen Brown (2015); Beryl Donegan (2010); Jamesina Laidlaw (2006); Alex. Begg (1974); John Ward (1920);

**Feb.1:** Umberto Tesoro (2013); Fr Daniel McGuinness (1997);

**Feb.2:** Margaret Malcolm (1998);

**St Mary Magdalene's:**

**Jan.27:** Ann Carruthers (2023); William Skey (2009); **Jan.28:** William McCarteney (2004); Charlotte Foggo (2002); **Feb.1:** Isabella Connor (1999); Frank Risi (1972); **Feb.2:** Michael

Edward Kempton (1991)

***Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:***

Michael McKean, 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.

**THANK YOU!**