

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross (Cycle A) 14th September 2014

TIMES OF MASSES and MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Vigil	6.30pm	St. John's	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.30am	St. John's	Phyllis Doherty
	11.15am	St. Mary Magdalene's	Fr Joseph Logue
Monday	2.30pm	St. John's	Jim Martin
Tuesday	10.00am	St Mary Magdalene's	Linda Wisbach
Wednesday	10.00am	St John's	Sam Kershaw
Thursday	7.00pm	St. Mary Magdalene's	Special Intention
Friday	10.00am	St. John's	Primary School 'New Beginnings'
			Mary Quigley
Saturday	10.00am	St. John's	Bob Renolio
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	11.15am	St. Mary Magdalene's	People of the Parish

On Days when there is no Mass at St John's there will be a Communion Service at 10.00am.

WELCOME!

If you're visiting, are new to the area, or just live here, you are most **welcome** in our sister parishes. We are delighted you have joined us.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

MONDAY:	Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows
TUESDAY	Feast of St Ninian
FRIDAY	Feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary
SATURDAY	Memorial of St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon and Companions

THERE WILL BE A **SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND AT ALL MASSES FOR SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS.**

SCOTLAND'S REFERENDUM. There will be **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on both Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th September** as we discern our country's future. This will take place on Wednesday from 10.30 - 11.30 am in St John's Church and on Thursday from 10.15 to 11.30 in St John's and from 7.30 to 8.30 (following the evening Mass) at St Mary Magdalene's Church.

Would you like to join the RCIA ENQUIRY GROUP (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)?

'What does it mean to be a Catholic?' Do you know of anyone who would like to know more about what it means to be a Catholic? Do you know anyone who feels they have lost touch with the Church and would like to find a way of making contact again? All would be warmly welcome at our informal gatherings on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm starting on Tuesday 16th September, in the Parish House, 3 Sandford Gardens, Portobello. For further details please speak to Fr Jock or Alice Codling (0131 657 1862) or email alicecodling@btinternet.com.

Offertory Collection - 7th September 2014

St Mary Magdalene's - £333.30 St John's - £983.84

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PARISH INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those who have died recently, including: Bob Renolio

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: Phyllis Doherty, Margaret Huntly, Neil Griffin, Annie Mouat, Margaret Hartnett, Thomas McDonough, James Jones, Janet Gilroy, Agnes Devlin, John Smith, Joseph Waugh, Veronica Haller, Bridget Meehan, John West, Alessio Lanni, Marian Craik, Kitty Demarco, Agnes Cassidy, Margaret Griffin, William Brown, Charles Tunley, Alexander Nicholson, Elizabeth Gilmartin, Mary Reading, Robert Harrop, Norrie Lamb, Annie Hanlon, John Adair, Nicola Domenico Di Biasi, James Robertson, Leonardo Politi, Sarah Jane Reading, John & Rena Quigley, Williamina Brockman, Mary Elizabeth Bryant, Catherine Tesoro, Charles Wilson, Sam Cunningham, Sophia Gologly, Robert Forbes, Andrew (Joe) Davies, Margaret (Greta) Davies, Thomas D'Arcy, Thomas Walker, Peter McDonald, Charles Doherty and John McCue.

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

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

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

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: Freddie Cooper, Jane Morton, Christian Parham, Tory Bekker, Alfred Baird, Sue McDevitt, Conor Kerrigan, Rupert Ridge, Jerzy Gladziuk, Margaret Rose, Maria St. Denis, Vera Hawkes, Marie Crolla, and baby Ray Donovan Syme.

Historical Safeguarding review: An Invitation from the McLellan Commission

At the beginning of Advent, the Bishops of Scotland announced an historical safeguarding review, known as the 'McLellan Commission.' Until 30 September 2014, the Commission welcomes submissions from all the faithful who have a view or experience of the Church's safeguarding procedures, whether positive or negative. This can be done securely and confidentially on the McLellan Commission website www.mclellancommission.co.uk or by writing to: The Secretary, The McLellan Commission, Centrum House, 38 Queen Street, GLASGOW, G1 3DX. Submissions can also be emailed to info@mclellancommission.co.uk.

Archbishop Leo Cushley writes: '... As part of its work, the Commission is keen to hear from those who have a view or experience of the Church's safeguarding protocols, whether positive or negative. The experience of survivors of abuse is of particular importance ... The Commission would like to take submissions from across the Church and at all levels of involvement and responsibility'.

MEDJUGORJE: Maria Igoe writes: 'There will be a Group going to Medjugorje in May 2015 between 12th & 26th May. It is possible to go for 7, 10, 11, or 14 days. If you are interested, please contact me for more information. Easyjet flights, at present, are costing £110 return from Edinburgh. Our excellent accommodation costs 15 euros (sharing) or 20 euros (single) per night for bed and breakfast. It will cost approx £50 return coach fare from Dubrovnik to Medjugorje. Please arrange your own insurance. The total cost for a 7day stay would be approx £250 plus insurance.'

St. Mary Magdalene's

Readers for this Sunday: John Cunningham & Anne Jabir
... and for next Sunday: Sam Henry & Jennifer Morris

Bidding Prayers: Jean Douglas
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COMING SOON... St Mary Magdalene's Church Stall will be opening for business soon with the promise of a fine assortment of Christmas cards amongst other things.

St. John's

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

The monthly Mass with Anointing of the Sick will be held on Monday 15th September at 2.30pm, with Rosary at 2.15pm. There will be tea and home-baking in the Hall afterwards. If you require a lift, please contact Maria Igoe on 07981333219.

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

This Week

- SUNDAY 14th September:** 11.15am: St Mary Magdalene's: Mass with Baptism of Sophia O'Brien
1.15pm: St John's: Baptisms of Drew Calder, Samuel Eriyagama, and Joshua Bold.
- MONDAY 15th September:** 2.30pm: St John's: Mass with Anointing of the Sick
7.30pm: St John's Church Hall: Eucharistic Ministers' Training Night (3)
- TUESDAY 16th September:** 7.00pm: St Mary Magdalene's Church: Meeting with parents of P4 children who are ready to commence the First Eucharist & Confirmation Programme.

THE BEGINNING OF OUR FIRST EUCHARIST & CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME FOR 2014/2015.

Fr Jock writes: 'Parents and guardians of children in Primary 4 are invited to an Introductory Meeting to hear an outline of our new Programme - 'Do This in Memory of Me' - which will lead up to the celebration of the Sacraments in May and June 2015. This meeting will be held at **St Mary Magdalene's Church** on Tuesday 16th September at 7.00pm.

Letters of invitation to the meeting have been sent out to parents and guardians of children in P4 at St John's Primary School. If you would like your child to be included in the Programme and are not part of this cohort please take this as an invitation to come along to the meeting anyway. For further information please contact the Parish Office (669 5447) or Brid O'Brien, Co-ordinator of the Children's Sacramental Preparation Team (657 1773).'

- 7.30pm: Parish House: RCIA Enquiry Group Commences
- WEDNESDAY 17th September:** 8.00pm: Parish House: Meeting of the Sacramental Preparation Team of the sister parishes.
- FRIDAY 19th September:** 10.00am: St John's: Mass - 'New Beginnings' - with St John's Primary School.

In the Coming Weeks

- SUNDAY 21st September:** 7.30pm: St John's Church Hall: PACT Meeting (Portobello Churches Acting Together)
- SUNDAY 21st September:** 1.30pm: **CYSS 1st National Youth Pilgrimage: St Margaret's, Dunfermline.**
(CYSS - Catholic Youth Services Scotland) A bus will be arranged if there are sufficient numbers known in advance. For more information and to sign up for the day, please contact: anne.mcevoy@staned.org.uk or call 0131 623 8917.

'COME & JOIN US!' The Singing Group at Craigentenny for People with Dementia and their Carers

Starting on **Monday 22nd September**, 2 to 4pm (2nd & 4th Mondays of the month) at St Christopher's Church Hall, 77-79 Craigentenny Road, Edinburgh. Volunteers warmly welcomed, particularly to lead the singing and to play music. A training course for volunteers will be held on Monday, 1 September, 2 to 4pm at the venue. Leaflets giving details can be found at the back of both churches. If you can help please contact Sheila Hardie (551 1229), Kate Walker (554 4940) or speak to Una Gallagher.

LEGHO: 30 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP: A CELEBRATION WEEKEND: 26-28th September

Friday 26 September 7.30pm **A Tanzanian Evening** in St John's Church Hall from 7.30pm.

There will be Tanzanian snacks, a short film (30 Years in 30 Minutes), and music. BYOB.

Saturday 27 September 11.00am **'From Kilimanajro to Mount Everest'**.

A 60 minute documentary of Wilfred Moshi's climb at 11.00am in St John's Church Hall.

Sunday 28 September 9.30am **An African Liturgy** in St John's Church.

Celebrating in spirit with our sister parish of Legho and in thanksgiving for all that has happened.

'BEGINNING EXPERIENCE'

Conforti Centre, Coatbridge: 10 - 12th October

'What is the Beginning Experience? The Beginning Experience is a specially designed Weekend Programme which seeks to help separated, divorced and widowed persons to make a new beginning in life. For further details contact Ros 0131 669 0003 or email rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk.'

'WEDNESDAY WORD' : Feel free to pick up a copy as you leave either church.

AND FINALLY ... VOTE FOR CARE FOR CARERS! 'Care for Carers' has been shortlisted for a Bank of Scotland Community Fund Award and could receive a grant of up to £3,000 if you add your support. Please text 'VOTE HHJ' to 82332.



