THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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2nd Sunday of Easter – 23 April 2017

This Sunday, the second Sunday of Easter, is the Feast of Divine Mercy. There is a pastoral letter from Bishop Keenan available in both church porches. At St Mary's Cathedral, there are Devotions at 3pm – including the Chaplet, Adoration, Reconciliation/Confession in 5 languages (! – French, Polish, Italian, Spanish and English), and veneration of the relic of St Faustina. (The fourth national Divine Mercy Conference will take place in St Augustine's Church, Coatbridge on 21 October – to register see the poster at the back of the Church).

After a successful trial period, St John's Church will continue to remain open each day from 9.30am-7pm (nb new time) - for quiet time and prayer...for parishioners of both parishes but also for passers-by and anyone who would like to pop in. If anybody is willing to go on the closing up rota (once a fortnight), please contact Chris Vinestock or Fr Jock (669 5447).

THIS WEEK

Sunday 23 April -6-7.30pm - St Mark's - Ecumenical Youth Group (for P7 to S5). All welcome. For more information, see Fr Jock.

Monday 24 April - 7pm - St John's Hall - Confirmation meeting for P4 'Do this in Memory of Me' Confirmation Group.

Wednesday 26 April – 6.30pm – Parish House – Fabric Meeting

Saturday 29 April – 11.30am – Parish House – Mass for the Lectio Divina group.

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Sunday 30 April

9.30am - St John's - Mass with P4 'Do This in Memory' children

1pm - Trip to Nunraw

1pm - St John's - Baptism of Reuben D'Huillier

Monday 1 May – 2.30pm – St John's – Healing Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing.

Tuesday 2 May – 7pm – St Mary Magdalene's Hall – St Mary Magdalene's Pastoral Council and AGM.

Thursday 4 May – 7.15pm – St John's Hall – Get-together for Lenten house groups.

Sunday 7 May – 7pm – St John's Hall – St John's Open Parish Meeting.

Monday 8 May - 10.45am - St John's Hall – **Charity Coffee Morning 7.30pm** – St Joseph's, Gilmour Place – **Mass for Vocations.**

Saturday 13 May - 10am-4pm. - Cockenzie House, Cockenzie, Port Seton – 'Caring for ourselves in troubled times: A day to rest, reflect and refresh with God and others'- with Miriam McHardy.

Sunday 14 May – Fr Jock preaches at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church – and Saturday 21 May – Revd Dr Stewart Weaver, the minister of PJPC preaches at St John's and St Mary Magdalene's

14-20 May - Christian Aid Week

Sunday 28 May – Carfin Grotto, Motherwell, Legion of Mary Thanksgiving Day

NOTICEBOARD

Fr Jock will be away for a post-Easter midweek break from Tuesday to Friday this week. **Canon Andrew Monaghan** will kindly be covering the morning Masses on those days.

Please remember to return your SCIAF 'wee boxes' as soon as possible.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14 – 20 May 2017. Are you interested in volunteering as a Door-2-Door collector for this annual fundraising effort to support Christian Aid's work to eradicate to poverty? If so, please contact Grant Sellar (gcsellar@gmail.com or 657 3805) as soon as possible for further details. Donation envelopes will also be available at the back of both churches.

'Caring for ourselves in troubled times: A day to rest, reflect and refresh with God and others'- Saturday 13 May, 2017, 10am-4pm. Cockenzie House, Cockenzie, Port Seton EH32 0HY - led by Miriam McHardy of Just Folk, and former Justice and Peace Co-ordinator for the Archdiocese.

Miriam writes: 'Action in the world, motivated by faith and care for others, takes energy and commitment. It also requires time to look after ourselves: To reconnect with what motivates us, and to rest and refresh ourselves so that we can continue that involvement. The day will be of particular interest to people involved in work for justice & peace, social action, education or health and social care, or anyone who needs space and time to rest and refresh. £25/£20 (conc.) Limited places available. Price includes refreshments and light lunch. Advance bookings only please.

Bethany Night Shelters

Jim Roarty writes: 'You may recall the appeal last year for volunteers to provide meals for homeless people sleeping overnight in church halls organised by the Bethany Christian Trust. We got a tremendous response - 50 volunteers from our two parishes! We have now completed the five nights allocated to us and the feedback from all the teams has been the same. Each evening was successful in that we provided a good meal that the "customers" enjoyed and each team found the experience satisfying and enriching. Thank you to all who volunteered - our parishes are undoubtedly the richer for your contribution.'

Holy Rood RC High News:

Joan Daly writes: 'Here is this week's update of recent events/news from Holy Rood, your Cluster Secondary School.

- As we return from the Easter break, our senior pupils are still working hard to prepare for the forthcoming SQA examinations and we are pleased to say that large numbers of pupils took advantage of the Easter Holidays Supported Study Programme. The SQA exams start on Tuesday 2nd May, please remember these pupils in your prayers.
- We are delighted to report that our pupils raised £4000 in Lenten fundraising. The money raised will go to the Teenage Cancer Trust.
- Holy Rood pupils Rosa Bell, Olga Pypno, Ben Falconer, Rubina Azad and Patrycja Szywala will have their work included as part of the exhibition launch of "Film as Art, Art on Film: Myself" at The Scottish National Gallery, The Mound on 26th April. This art exhibition with accompanying films brings together the work of Into Film Scotland and the National Galleries of Scotland who have offered young people the opportunity to create and exhibit digital art. This is a wonderful accolade to the work of these very talented pupils and a superb Expressive Arts Faculty. To attend, you can request a free ticket online via the link below:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/film-as-art-art-on-film-myself-tickets-33239563429 '

Please use the link to have a look at our website http://www.holyroodrchighschool.co.uk and follow us on twitter @HolyRoodRCHigh'

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time

St John's:

Apr.22:- Mary Quigley (2014); Helen Dignan (1998); Kathleen Dykes Main (1991); Apr.23:- James McMillan (2010); Margaret Gilhooley (2005); Charles McLauchlan (1972); Frank Irvine; Apr.24:- Harry McGroarty (2005); Helen Loftus (1972); John Bell; Apr.25:- Beatrice Lawler (1993); Alice Ashburner; Peggie Desmond; Apr.26:- Margaret Connelly

(2003); **Apr.27:-** Mary Robertson (1983); James Passmore (1978); William Corrigan; Hans Janik; **Apr.28:-** Margot Tweedie (2013); Christopher Rourke (1995);

St. Mary Magdalene's:

Apr.28:- Stan Brown (2000)

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

<u>Sick Parishioners - St. John's:</u> David Igoe, Bill Hunter, Pat Hunter, Mary Philipps, Ina McNama, Josie Martin, Joan Howie, Gerry Wynne, James Sangster, Mary Glancy, Patricia Crawford, Guilio Crolla, Bob Crabbe, Mary Phair, Alf Macnamara, Patrick McCafferty, Tricia Davies, Stan McKay, Hugh Shannon, David Thom, John Cregan, Maureen Lawrie, Mary Grady, Jane McGuire, Kathy Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Sheila Alexander, Michael & Maimie Richards, Cathy McGravie, Marie Angela Crolla, Dolores Jones, Ann Ward, Gerry Houston, and Lorraine Syme.

<u>Sick Parishioners - St. Mary Magdalene's:</u> Ella Ayers, Pat Marin, Margaret Ryan, Jacqueline Hannan, Chris English, Julie Keegan, Rose McKay, Denis Davidson, Laurie Wallace, Elizabeth Mackail, Betty McEwing, Annie Watson, Isobel Phillips, David O'Donnell, Andrew Banks, Jude Ferguson, Mary & James Muir.

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of parishioners, including: Sr May Lewis, Thomas Welsh, Stuart Falconer, Fr John Robinson, Jonty Savage, Julia Jared, Anne-Marie Bevan, Ellen Green, Mario Chianto, Caroline Narrie, Kathleen McConnell, Jake Jorden (aged 17) Marguerite Marlatt, Poppy Smith (aged 6), George Collins, Margaret Robb, Sr Anne Doherty SND, Ena McCann, John Donnelly, Noel Flanagan, Catherine Leslie, Austen Tod, Peter Kent, Isabel Bolus, John Allan, Isabel McInrue, Anne Gallagher, Denise O'Donnell, Jane Morton, Christopher Browne, Marie Crolla, Margaret Rose, Vera Hawkes, Christian Parham, Conor Kerrigan, Maria St. Denis, baby Ray Donovan Syme.

Offertory Collections for 16th April	ST MARY MAGDALENE	ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST		
	£523.69 (inc £229.00 gift aid)	£2615.99 (inc £ 1470.65 gift aid)		
Thank you for your generosity				

ST MARY MAGDALENE		
	Readers for Sunday	Bidding Prayers
23 April	Sam Henry and Tessa Haring	Kate Neilson
30 April	Laura Tweedie and Robert Moyes	Aileen Hall

The Healing Mass will be on Monday 1st May at 2.30pm. The Rosary will be said at 2.15pm and there will be an opportunity for Reconciliation after Mass. Please feel very welcome to come to the Hall afterwards for tea and cakes.

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Vigil 29 April C Vinestock, V Paterson, J Plews Sunday 23 April T Burgess, MacLellan Hawkes, P Glancy, C Volpe, A Dixon

Jim Roarty writes - 'Eucharistic Ministers....the new rota is available for collection from the back of the church'.

St John's Open Parish Meeting

The Pastoral Council secretary, **Frances McDevitt writes:** 'St John's next Open Parish Meeting will on Sunday 07 May 2017 at 7pm in the church hall. All parishioners are warmly invited to attend this important meeting. It was wonderful to have such a splendid turn out for our meeting last November, helping to reinforce our sense of community and mutual support. The very many excellent contributions to discussions and debates that evening continue to be a rich source for the Parish Pastoral Council. During the next meeting, the PPC needs YOUR presence, ideas and thoughts. Please try to come along - you will be most welcome!'

Maria Igoe writes:

'The Charity Coffee Morning will be on Monday 8th May after 10m mass and donations will be shared between the Apostleship of the Sea and Lifeboats. The April Coffee Morning raised £300 for 'Let the Children Live'. Thank you for your generosity.

A group will be going to Nunraw on Sunday 30th April, leaving St John's at 1pm and returning by 7.30pm. Please let me know if you wish to go - 669 0247.

Legion of Mary Thanksgiving Day will take place at Carfin Grotto, Motherwell, on Sunday 28th May. We will leave St John's at 12 noon and return by 7pm. If you wish to go, please contact me - 669 0247.'

Masses, Devotions and Services				
	St John the Evangelist	St Mary Magdalene		
Saturday 22 April SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	10am:- Mass – Anne-Louise Dalrymple 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – People of the Parish			
Sunday 23 April SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Feast of Divine Mercy	9.30am:- Mass – Barnie Quinn	11.15am: - Helen Budge		
Monday 24 April	10.00am: – Mass - SI birthday 7pm – 8pm: - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament			
Tuesday 25 April Feast of St Mark	10.00am: - Eucharistic Service	9.25-55am: - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am:- Mass – Joseph Ragusin		
Wednesday 26 April	10.00am: - Mass – Mary Keegan			
Thursday 27 April	10.00am:- Eucharistic Service	10.00am:- Mass – SI		
Friday 28 April	9.25-55am: - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10am: Mass – Barnie Quinn			
Saturday 29 April Feast of St Catherine of Siena	10am:- Mass – Donald McLeod 10.30am – Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30pm:- Mass – SI – sick person			
Sunday 30 April THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.30am:- Mass – SI (new baby)	11.15am: - People of the Parish		

The Open Heart

Sometimes when people knock on my door I ask them in and we talk, but I make it clear to them in a thousand small ways that I am busy, that I have other things to do. The door of my office is open, but the door to my heart is closed. If we have other things to do that can't wait, we should say so – but open our heart all the same.

Jean Vanier, Community and Growth p. 267