

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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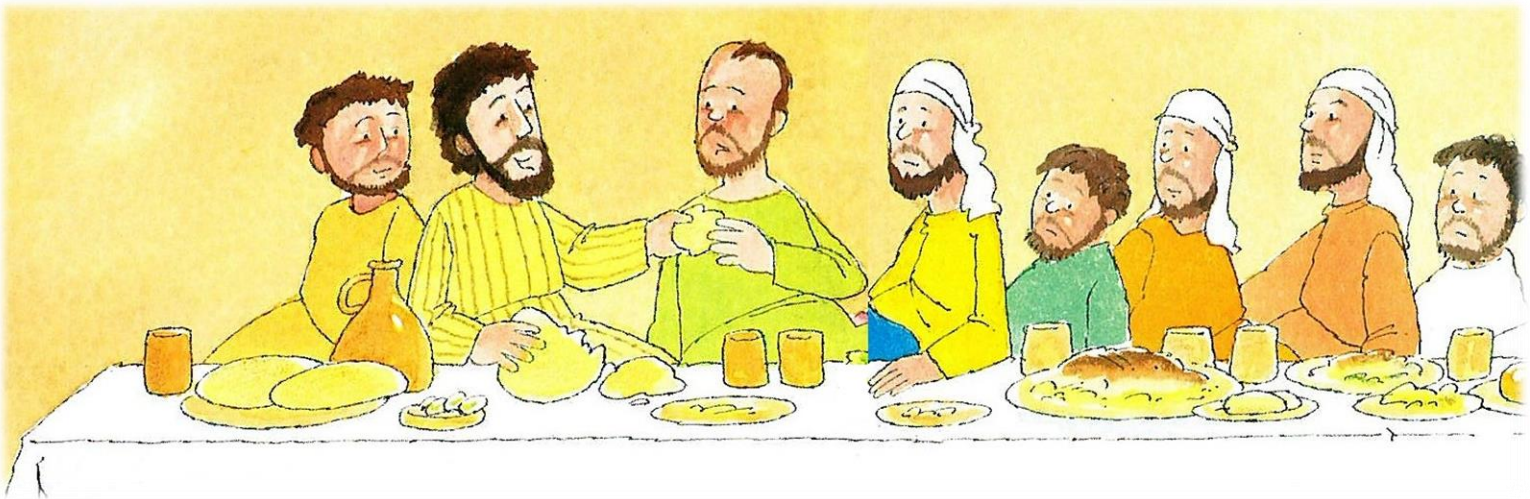
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7 MAY 2023 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.' (John 14:5-7)

We offer our prayers for King Charles on the weekend of his Coronation, and for him and Queen Camilla that the Holy Spirit might guide and support them in a life of service...

FUNDRAISING CONCERT FOR THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Love, Loss & Dating – St John's Church Hall - Saturday 13th May 2023, 8.00pm

Jeremy Thorp writes: 'Love, Loss & Dating had a highly successful run in the 2022 Edinburgh Fringe, and The Swells are delighted to bring their show to St John's church hall for a repeat performance.

Join The Swells – *Jeremy Thorp* (keyboard), *Malcolm Windsor* (vocals) and *Nick Gent* (guitar) – as they tell their stories of loss and recovery, through words and music.

Performed by three men of a certain age who prize the melodies, rhythms and poetry of the lyrics in the songs they use to tell their story. Some songs from long ago, some from only last year.

Malcolm and Jeremy have lost their wives. The show tells the story of love, loss, and the recovery of finding someone new. Nowadays this is by internet dating, and they have both found new partners but also run into some trouble on the way. What to do when you meet someone new? Well, the art of conversation is covered!

Almost everyone has known love, lost someone they loved and been on a date, so join them on this gentle humorous journey with some beautiful, moving and fun songs and lyrics.

This performance of the jazz cabaret will raise funds for the Society of St Vincent de Paul, a charity that supports local people who are marginalised and suffering in the current economic climate.

Tickets £10 from Jeremy Thorp, 07900278043, or Eventbrite (The Swells): <https://bit.ly/41C3Bri>

Eucharistic Ministers' Training Course in June

Fr Jock writes: 'We are hoping to have a eucharistic ministers' training course on the first three Mondays of June and will be approaching individuals in the coming month asking them if they might consider the possibility of participating in the course.'

We are also hoping that parishioners will suggest names of people they believe will be suitable for this wonderful ministry – whether it be giving communion out at Mass and/or in taking communion to the housebound – to me, to one of the Pastoral Team (Deacon Eddie, Chris Vinestock and Jennifer Morris) or to either of the eucharistic minister co-ordinators in our two parishes (Una Gallagher and Jim Roarty).'

THIS WEEK

Saturday 6 May

9.30am-1.30pm – St John's Hall – **Pamoja Fashion Sale**

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

Sunday 7 May – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

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

Monday 8 May

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

7.00pm – Zoom – **Gospel Sharing** – click [HERE](#), or type <https://bit.ly/3LQlugY> into your browser

Tuesday 9 May

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

No RCIA Meeting this week.

Wednesday 10 May - 10.00am – St John's – **Mass** – livestreamed

Thursday 11 May - 10.00am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Mass** - livestreamed

Friday 12 May

9.20am – 12.00 midday – St John's Hall – **Confirmation Retreat**

1.00pm – St John's – **Requiem Mass for Kitty Dykes** – livestreamed

Saturday 13 May

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

8.00pm – St John's Hall – **Fundraising SVdP concert** – 'Love, Loss and Dating' with the Swells.

Sunday 14 May – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Children's Mass with P3 and P4 First Reconciliation**

and First Communion children - livestreamed

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Tuesday 16 May – 10.00am – St John's - **Requiem Mass for Pat Dickin**

Wednesday 17 May – 7.00pm – St Teresa's, Craigmillar – **CONFIRMATIONS with Archbishop Cushley**

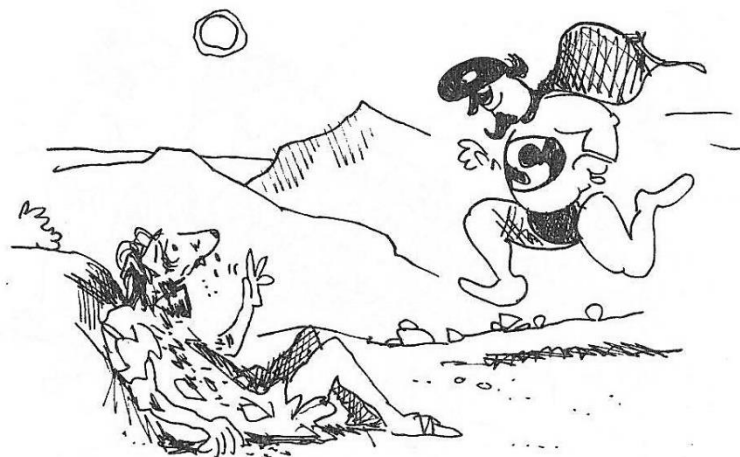
Friday 19 May – 10.00am – St John's - **Requiem Mass for Bob Kelly**

Sunday 21 May – 12.15pm – St Mary Magdalene's – **St Mary Magdalene's OPEN PARISH MEETING**

Thursday 25 May – 7.30pm – St John's Hall – **Pope Francis' film 'The Letter' (for Laudato Sii Week)**

Sunday 28 May – 7.00pm – St John's Hall – **St John's OPEN PARISH MEETING**

Another Take on One of Jesus' best-known parables.



'Thank God! Super Samaritan.'

*Keep us:
Firm in mind,
Wise in heart,
Indomitable in spirit.
(Matt Lamont)*

From Archbishop Leo's Weekly 'Ad Clerum'

African & Caribbean Mass - The monthly African & Caribbean Mass takes place at 2pm this Sunday (7 May) at St Cuthbert's Church, 104 Slateford Road, Edinburgh, EH14 1PT. All welcome.

Meet persecuted Christians from across the world and hear their stories first-hand. This ecumenical event from Open Doors takes place from 10:00am-2:30pm on **Saturday 13 May** at St Paul's and St George's Church, Broughton Street, Edinburgh. Details and registration at www.opendoorsuk.org/news/standing-strong/

Called & Gifted Workshop - Identify your charisms (spiritual gifts) and discern God's call through the Called and Gifted Workshop. It is hosted by the Archdiocese in collaboration with the St Catherine of Siena Institute and takes place on Saturday 20 May from 9:00am to 3:30pm. Cost is £25 and includes materials, online access, and lunch. Details and registration at bit.ly/calledgifted2023

Vocation Mission - Vocation Mission takes place at St Mary, Star of the Sea, 106 Constitution Street, Leith, EH6 6AW, on **Sunday 21 May**. The event begins with Mass at 10:30am followed by a talk from Sr Immaculada Perez, OMI. The event is to help promote a culture of vocations in homes and families. All welcome.

Laudato Si' Week 2023 - Laudato Si' Week **takes place from May 21-28**. This global celebration marks the eighth anniversary of Pope Francis' landmark encyclical on care for creation. There are a range of global events taking place that you can take part in. Visit <https://laudatosiweek.org/>. You can watch the Pope Francis film 'The Letter' for free online at <https://www.theletterfilm.org/watch/>

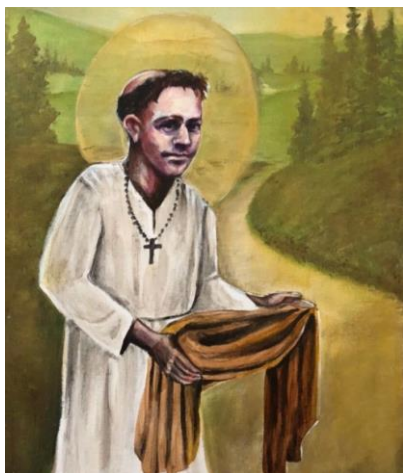
Retreat - Journeying Onward is a four week retreat beginning on **Saturday 27 May**, offered by the Edinburgh Jesuit Centre and The Epiphany Group Scotland. It is open to all and can be taken online or in-person, with the option of individual meetings. For more information or to book, email rdljourney@epiphanygroup.org.uk or ejcretreats@jesuit.org.uk

Mass for Married & Engaged Couples - Archbishop Leo Cushley will celebrate Mass for Married and Engaged Couples at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh at 7:15pm on **Wednesday 31 May**. Reception in Coffee Saints afterwards. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, or know couples who are, please email Fr Jeremy Milne so an invitation can be sent. Submit names, address and number of years being celebrated to vemarriage@staned.org.uk, or phone 0131 334 1693.

‘SAINT’ OF THE WEEK 1 – BROTHER JUNIPER

Franciscan Lay Brother (d.1258) - Feast Day: 14 May

"My dear man, I have nothing to give you except my habit-and my superior has told me under obedience not to give it or part of it away to anyone. But if you pull it off my back, I certainly will not prevent you."



Brother Juniper was one of the original companions of St. Francis and *"a man of such unshakable humility, patience, and self-contempt that the rising waves of temptation and tribulation could not move him."* Brother Juniper evidently attained such a degree of holiness that he was quite indifferent to the opinion or regard of others. This was fortunate, since *"he was considered stupid and foolish by those who did not know how perfect he was."*

Apart from the stories in his brief **"Life,"** little is known of the biography of Brother Juniper. In these stories, Brother Juniper appears to function among the early Franciscans as a kind of living parable. Francis and his followers were regarded, by the world, as *"fools for Christ."* Just so, the exasperating foolishness of Juniper served among the friars as a standard by which to test their own degree of compromise with the wisdom of the world.

Once when a sick brother expressed his longing to eat a pig's foot, Brother Juniper exclaimed, *"Leave that to me!"* Immediately he went out and found a pig. He cut off its foot and promptly cooked and *"served it with great kindness to the sick friar."* This led to an altercation with the irate owner of the pig and caused great embarrassment to the rest of the brothers. But in the end Brother Juniper's guilelessness won the day; even the pig's owner was moved to acknowledge the edifying power of the simple friar's charity.

At the sight of the poor, Brother Juniper was filled with such compassion that he would immediately hand them his garments, or even rip off a sleeve or a cowl to give them. Not content with giving away his own habit, he would freely dispense with books, altar vestments, or anything else at hand. As a result, *"when poor people came to Brother Juniper to beg, the friars used to take and hide the things they wanted to keep."*

Over and over again Juniper tested the patience of his brothers. And not infrequently, after one of his escapades, *"the friars were very much shocked and scandalized, and they rebuked him forcefully, calling him a lunatic and a fool and a disgrace to the order of St. Francis, and declaring that he should be put in chains as a madman."* But in each case his foolishness ultimately bore a lesson in charity, faith, or humility, so that Francis himself was moved to observe on one occasion, *"My Brothers, if only I had a great forest of such junipers!"*

Brother Juniper was sent by Francis to found friaries in Viterbo and Gualdo Tadino. He was present at the death of St. Clare in 1253 and died in Rome in 1258.

See: "The Life of Brother Juniper," in The Little Flowers of St. Francis, Raphael Brown (Garden City, N.Y.: Image, 1958).

SAINT OF THE WEEK 2 – ST MATTHIAS

Apostle (first century) - Feast Day: 15 May

Matthias was the one chosen to replace Judas to make up the number of apostles to twelve once more. This is described in the first chapter of the **Acts of the Apostles**, taking place *"in those days"* after the eleven had witnessed Christ's Ascension on Mount of Olives and before the Spirit came down on the new twelve at Pentecost.

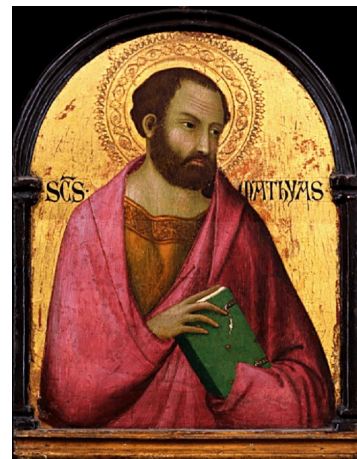
Peter stands up *"to the brothers "* and describes Judas' death as fulfilling scripture, and sets out the criterion that is to govern the choice of a replacement: *"So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day he was taken up from us — one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection"* (1:21-22).

Two candidates are then proposed, and a vote is taken: So, 'they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, *"Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his proper place."* And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles' (1:23-26). (This prompt and democratic election has been criticized by some charismatically inclined theologians,

who would have preferred the apostles to have waited for the promised coming of the Spirit—which seems somewhat churlish, as the apostles invoked the authority of the risen Lord and were presumably not to know how soon the Spirit would come.)

With this brief but important appearance in the New Testament, definite information about Matthias begins and ends. Early tradition places him preaching in Judaea, and somewhat later Greek accounts claim that he preached in Cappadocia (southern Turkey) and near the Caspian Sea.

Another tradition links him with Ethiopia, and a fictitious Acts of Andrew and Matthias became very popular, though in some versions he is replaced by Matthew. Clement of Alexandria makes him one of the seventy-two disciples sent out in Luke's gospel to preach throughout the known world. How, when, or where he died is not known. Some legends state that he was crucified, but the tradition that became incorporated in his emblem is that he was beheaded: this shows an axe superimposed over an open book on which appear the words *super Matthiam*, "upon Matthias," from Acts 1:26. His claimed relics were taken to Jerusalem and at least some of them were later sent to Rome by the empress Helena when she went to the Holy Land to find the true cross.



Matthias' feast was moved from 24 February to 15 May in the calendar reform of 1969.

See: "Butler's Saint of the Day", Paul Burns, Liturgical Press (Collegeville, MN, 2003,2007).

NOTICEBOARD

A Warm Welcome to Fr Jim Smith, kindly celebrating Mass from Monday to Thursday this week, while Fr Jock disappears off to a log cabin in Perthshire (in the Strathardle Glen) for his annual May break with three members of his priests' support group – though sadly without Mgr Gerry Hand, recovering well from his recent serious operation.

Date		St John's Eucharistic Ministers		
May	6	Tracy Burgess	Bozena Tansey	Chris Vinestock
	7		Linda Moran	TBC
	13	Patrick Shannon	Pauline MacInnes	Jim Roarty
	14		Tanya White	Theresa Spence

Maria Igoe writes: 'A group of 11 people 3 men and 8 women, will leave Edinburgh to travel to **Medjugorje**, in Bosnia & Herzegovina, on **Tuesday 9 May**. There are 3 from St John's and the others are from different Parishes in the Diocese. All are expecting to have a wonderful spiritual experience. They have all been before and love this special village and its people.'

Christian Aid Book Sale – 13 May, 15 to 19 May

christian aid 2023 **BOOK SALE**

at St Andrew's and St George's West Church
13 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2PA

Saturday - 13 May - 10am - 4pm
Monday - 15 May to Friday 19 May - 10am - 3.30pm
Thursday - 18 May - late opening until 7pm

2023 PATRON: Dr James Robertson FRSE
Scots Poet and Novelist

- Books • Antiques & Collectables
- Pictures • Stamps & Postcards
- Sheet Music • Toys • Games • Jigsaws

Donations welcome at the church:

Monday - 8 May - 9am - 8pm
Tuesday - 9 May - 9am - 8pm
Wednesday - 10 May - 9am - 8pm

HOME-BAKING AND PRESERVES ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE SALE

Church Office: 0131 225 3847 for enquiries
email: admin@stagw.org.uk

Undercroft Café open as usual

This sale has been held at this George Street church since 1973. In the ten years prior to the pandemic over £1 million was raised for Christian Aid.

Christian Aid gives relief to the poorest people of the world, wherever there is suffering, disaster or famine, and helps to rebuild shattered lives.

This sale is one of the biggest charity book sales in the world. For many years it has been the largest volunteer-led fund-raising event for Christian Aid in the United Kingdom.

For further information see: www.stagw.org.uk

Justice & Peace Group Finances 2022-2023

Jim Roarty, J and P treasurer, writes: 'Here is a brief summary of our accounts for this last financial year:

Balance Brought Forward	£777		
Receipts		Expenditure	
Hunger for Justice Fund	£1,364	Afghanistan Appeal	£250
HMRC Tax Refund	£768	Pakistan Floods Appeal	£1,000
General Donations	£67	Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal	£3,000
Donations to Bethany (inc Buy a Bed)	£849	STEKASkills Malawi Cyclone Appeal	£500
SCIAF Real Gift sales	£3,975	SCIAF Real Gifts	£3,975
Charity Concert donations	£1,518	Bethany (inc Buy a Bed)	£849
Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal	£1,678	Wilson Memorial Foodbank	£1,250
Fairtrade commission	£7	Other	£167
	£10,226		£10991
		Balance Carried Forward	£12

- The Hunger for Justice Fund comprises regular monthly donations of a few pounds per month by standing order/direct debit from a number of our parishioners, most of which is "Gift Aided". Thanks to them for their generosity. (If anyone else would like to join, please contact Jim Roarty, Group Treasurer, who will be happy to supply the form!)
- We registered as a charity some years ago which allows us to claim back tax under the Gift Aid scheme, hence the kind donation from HM Revenue & Customs. Because of your generosity towards the various appeals in 2022/23, we have been able to claim an even larger amount - £2204.
- A highlight of the year was our St Andrew's Day concert starring the St John's Primary School choir - a wonderful evening which raised a wonderful £1678 which the J&P Group topped up so that we donated £1000 each to the Pakistan Floods appeal (the school's chosen charity) and our local foodbank in the Wilson Memorial church
- The figure of £3975 for sales of SCIAF Real Gifts included the parishes' appeal for £1088 for Water for a Village, to which there was a great response. The balance of roughly £2800 was down to individual sales and it is pleasing that so many see SCIAF's Real Gifts as a solution to some of their Christmas present buying.
- Thanks are also due for the continued support of Bethany's Buy a Bed scheme. The role of the overnight centre has changed – as well as providing accommodation and a hot meal for homeless people, Bethany, in conjunction with the City Council, aims to find longer term arrangements for its users, hence the new title Rapid Re-Accommodation Centre.

And finally – **thanks** to you all for supporting and enabling the work of the Justice & Peace Group, and if there are any particular campaigns or causes you feel we should be supporting, please let us know.'

A reflection by a Parishioner in one of our six Lenten House Groups (following the course by Stephen Binz entitled 'Being Disciples of Jesus'):

'I joined the Lenten House Group for the first time and was excited to learn more about being a Disciple of Jesus. Sometimes it can be hard to motivate yourself to read a passage from the Bible as some of them are difficult to understand. The course work provided a discussion section that helped me to understand the readings more and deepen my knowledge. I enjoyed meeting with the group to share our own experiences that make us Disciples of Jesus. We also reflected on our own lives and tried to find to think what else we can do to demonstrate that.'

If anyone else would like a copy of the wonderful book 'How to Survive Being Married to a Catholic' (£7), please make contact with Fr Jock....

A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – JOHN 14:1-10

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

I went away to study at seminary in 1969, the first time I had been away from home. Although I was seventeen, I had never even been on an overnight school trip away. I can still remember the date – September 13th, 1969. I arrived at the appointed time – 6 pm – and the first evening was filled with being busy, so I didn't have time to focus too much on the strangeness of it all. It was the next morning when reality hit. I was awake long before the sound of a solitary bell tolling ceaselessly. The whole building seemed to shake – clang – bong – clang – bong. The noise eventually stopped, and the clapper could be heard swinging but without hitting the lip of the bell: A strange eerie gallows-like sound – matching my mood perfectly. Indeed, it was as if, instead of the clapper hitting the lip of the bell, it was now hammering my solar plexus. Thump, thump, thump. I felt sick to the core. Doors slammed, footsteps on corridors, more door slamming, shouting. I found the washroom and made my way to an unoccupied sink. The plumbing was something else. I longed for the security of the cramped council house in Sunderland with its sibling open warfare as the daily battle for access to the bathroom commenced. What had I let myself in for? Should I just go home? Needless to say, by the time the Christmas holiday arrived there was a tinge of sadness that I would be leaving my new friends to go back to the family home, and January saw me looking forward eagerly to a new term and meeting up once more. I had been exposed to living in Christian fellowship and love. Lumpy mattresses, draughty windows, iced condensation and skin on the custard thick enough to make shoes could not weaken the power of living in God's way. Looking back, I experienced my first state of community living – and it felt good. My understanding of security and home was changing.

We search for somewhere to call home, like a fish seeking the open sea or the eagle soaring above mountain peaks. Home. It's what makes us. The ex-Serviceman, forgotten by his country, struggling to cope with life after war, perhaps suffering from PTSD, still seeks his own doorway, his own parcel of land underneath the railway arch, jealously guarding this patch against those who would encroach on his space. During a summer placement I acted as a residential outreach worker in Sheffield, working among the homeless. It turned out, I was among angels, sent my way. I saw the fellowship that blossoms when unencumbered by unnecessary possessions and the distraction afforded. I witnessed alcoholism and addiction at its most raw. I saw the destructive power of its vice-like grip. I had already convinced myself I did not have a drink problem. In fact, I was stone deaf. I couldn't hear God screaming in my ear through these dirty, scruffy, unkempt, and occasionally very smelly angels. (Not all angels have flowing white poplin gowns and huge feathery wings!!) I was so deaf that a couple decades later I eventually ended in alcohol rehabilitation centres – not once but twice. In both centres, I found myself back in community. I learned to live a different way without alcohol as a prop. The Christian fellowship, the ordered structure to the day, brought calmness and serenity. They brought peace. I left the first centre too hastily. My foundations were not deep enough or strong enough. I came away with a suitcase full of clothes and a brief case crammed full of petty resentments and vituperative anger. I was warned. My deafness had returned, I ignored the warnings. I convinced myself that I knew best! I didn't.

In the blink of an eye I was in rehab for the second time – and another cohort of angels sent my way. This community was a much different kettle of fish. Men and women, young and old, self-harming, heroin addicts, anger issues and alcohol abuse. Shared hurts became shared growth, tears of anger and rage giving way to cries of joy, but everyone eventually rebuilt through honesty and acceptance. Many would not use the word 'Christian' but this was love in action, living as He intended us to live because, as John told us: '*God is Love*'

My most treasured angels I have saved to the end. Fate dealt them a comfortable life with a grand house too big for their needs. Too many bedrooms, too many drawing rooms, too many bathrooms - just too big. They did not need it. The size of the house equalled the size of their hearts. They did, what was for them, the only logical thing – they gave it away, to a religious order who would be able to put it to good use. They moved somewhere smaller and supported the community from 'just along the path!' They taught me so much. Their lives and hearts were open to anyone and everyone. Whenever I visited, I always experienced warmth and acceptance. They always focussed on me – rather than my baggage, (of which I had plenty!). They were the same with every visitor. Their life was testimony to Churchill's famous saying: *We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give.*

Trust in God still and trust in me..... there are many rooms in my Father's house. I am going now to prepare a place for you, so that where I am, you may be too. He wants us to go home with him. That is our calling and privilege, and so we focus on what we can give rather than what we can get.

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently:

*Peter Greenhill - Mary Boyle
Tommy Clarke*

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

*John Prior snr - Angus McIsaac
John Norman - John Rennie
Jamie Clark - Bridget McTighe
Kevin Ketchum - Martin Gaughan
Barbara Blackburn - Sandra Elgey*

Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:

St. John's:

Violet Paterson, Diane Devlin, Raymond Walker, Margaret Duffy, Valentino Raviele, Una Laing, Kim O'Neill, Mike and Patricia Lawler, Harry Allan, May Thomson, Carol Simpson, Charlotte and Fred McGregor, Kenny O'Connor, Gerry Gallagher, John Cregan, Rose Thornton, Kathleen Brown, Mike Noonan, John Whyte, Maria Pacitti, Fiona Connel, Ann Dobie, Sheelagh Dobson, Chloe Sutherland, Norah Bruce, Ruth Vizor, Mary Grady, Pauli Walker, Anna Butler, May Flynn, Vincent Knowles, young Saoirse Golden, Frances Cunningham, David Reid, Betty Dougal, Anne Thomson, Sarah McManus, Mike Burns, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Maureen Low, Mary Slight, Norman Telfer, Kathie Gallagher, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers, Marie Angela Crolla and Lorraine Syme.

St Mary Magdalene's:

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

Offertory 30 April 2023

St Mary Magdalene's, £212.30 total, including £111.30 Offertory and £101.00 Gift Aid.

St John's, £1452.70 total, including £556.00 Offertory, £140.70 Gift Aid and £756.00 online donations.

**Second Collection for the
Ecclesiastical Students' Fund:
£365.00**

Anniversaries:

St John's:

May 7: Jamie Clark (2020); William Hobb (2020); Veronica Mackenzie (2015); Lorna Demarco (1971); James H McGrory (1957); Mary Macnamara; Bridget Murray; **May 8:** Bridget McTighe (2018); John Rennie (2011); Jim Ponton (1986); John Kane (1949); Mary Taylor; **May 9:** Rosanna O'Neill (1970); Bruno Nicora (1932); **May 10:** Kevin Ketchum (2022); Michael McGovern (2004); William Cunningham (1984); **May 11:** Veronica Ginnelly (2001); **May 12:** Cathie Young (2020); Ian J Berry (2013); Helen McGuire (1991); Kathleen Ogilvie (1970); Ninian Connolly; **May 13:** John Bonar (2005); Sr. Marie McAllister (2001); Rena Tow (1992); Edward Black Sen. (1985); **May 14:** Frank Bell (2022); Cecelia McKenzie (2009); John Gordon Kerr (1994); Sr. Mary Tait (1994); James Waugh (1979); Ann (McCann) Murphy (1956);

St Mary Magdalene's:

May 7: William McPhillips (1998); Margaret Hanlon (1994); **May 8:** Martin Gaughan (1998); Thomas Murphy (1968); **May 10:** Samuel Tosney (1999); Patrick Walker (1991); **May 12:** Dorothy McEwan (1995);

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:

Ann Currie, Sandy Ferguson, Audrey Brown, Peter Robinson, Chris White, Douglas Edington, Helen Robertson, Bernard Traynor, baby Josh Simpson, Desire Bascon, Janet Haring, Shona Killin, Tom Heaney, Mary Whyte, Jim Gray, Lydia Reid, Mgr Gerry Hand, Tish Deacon, Elizabeth McGrath and Granny Elizabeth, Andrew Muldoon, John Havard, Mary Wallace, Allan Crombie, Ellen Green, Sophie Robinson, Louise Young, Emma Blackman, Tricia Scott, Harriet Wingfield Digby (aged 9), Alan Proudlock, Evelyn Walsh, Kate Mackay, Grace Stuart, Stephen Norwood, Bill and Audrey Jones, John Miller Agnes Clarke, David Fenwick, Maurice McAllister, Rita Noonan, baby Lucas McCourt, Ellen Dow., members of the McGrath Family, Maureen Hutchinson, Hans Zaunbrecher, Judith Franklin, Clare Johnston, Mary and Derek Lamarque, Anne Morris, Keiran Smart (aged 15), Michael Doherty, Carol Turnbull, Jean Wylie, Mary Conefrey, Angela Khan, George and Ann McDermott, Lucille McFadden, Tara Kuppinger, Jessica Haggerty, Charlotte O'Brien, Gwen Cullimore, young Martha Moyes (aged 5), Jennifer Kay, Margaret Troupe, Seval and Kazim Kazimoglu, Ann Watt (Mgr Rae's sister), Jan Meise, Melanie Ford, Mary Taygarth, Roger Bromley, Tony Rigg, Henrietta Fraser, Stuart Falconer, Elizabeth, Colin Sandham, Elizabeth and Gordon Marron, Dawn Clarke, Katie McAnenny, John Kellagher, Emily Buchanan, Ann Thorp, Dani Miniette, Peter Millar, Joan Murray Hamilton, Sr Margaret Mary, Betty Blyth, Lauren Fitzpatrick, Michael Igoe, Clare Richardson, Laura Anderson, Richard Reid, James O'Rourke, Tommy Muir, James Shepherd, Peter Hanley, Andrew Franklin, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Joan Brooks, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.

THANK YOU!