THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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19 February 2023

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Jesus said: 'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven [...] You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

(Matthew 5:38-48)

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and marks the beginning of Lent. There will be Masses at St John's at **10.00am** and St Mary Magdalene's at **7.00pm**, with the distribution of ashes at both – and also in each class at St John's Primary School.

Ash Wednesday is one of two days in the year – along with Good Friday - which all those between the ages of 18 and 59 are asked to observe as **Days of Fasting and Abstinence.** ('Fasting allows a person to eat one full meal, and two smaller meals - not to equal two full meals. Abstinence involves refraining from eating meat.')

Day of Prayer for Those who have Suffered Abuse - This day is marked each year on the Friday following Ash Wednesday (24 February). Archbishop Leo writes: 'We unite in prayer for those who have suffered abuse: Lord Jesus, we praise you for calling us to the service of others. We pray for a generosity of spirit to ensure the vulnerable are protected. We pray for a compassionate heart so that we will reach out to those who are wounded by abuse. We pray for courage and determination as we seek the safety of everyone in our parish communities. We dedicate ourselves to this work of service and pray that you will help us to do your will at all times and in all places. Amen.'

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St John's from 10.30am to Midday for all who seek a focus for their prayer for the victims and survivors of abuse.

Ecumenical Prayer Service for Peace in Ukraine – 'Archbishop Cushley will join other Christian faith leaders for an Ecumenical Prayer Service for Peace in Ukraine this Friday 24 February, at 7.00pm at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh. Let us join fellow Christians in praying for peace.'

Next Saturday, at 9.45am at St John's, we will be celebrating our three-monthly Bereavement Mass, for all who are grieving – everyone most welcome.....there will be a chance to light a candle in memory of loved ones who have died.

OUR LENTEN PARISH INITIATIVES

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SIGN UP FOR A LENTEN HOUSE GROUP?

These groups will meet in the host's house at the same time and on the same day each week, for about an hour and a half – and this year will follow a course by Stephen Binz entitled 'Being Disciples of Jesus'. The groups (ideally numbering between 6 and 10) will begin meeting week beginning 27 February. The provisional venues/hosts and leaders are as follows below (tbc)

HOSTS	VENUE	DATE	LEADER
Ros MacKay	21 Goff Avenue, EH7 6TS	Monday, 7.30pm	Bronagh Power
Pauline MacInnes	56/1 Moira Terrace, EH7 6RY	Tuesday, 2.30pm	Jim and Evelyn Roarty
Pat Robertson	5 Rosefield Street, EH15 1AY	Wednesday, 11.00am	Jennifer Morris
Danalana Maalallan	1C Croonfield Dark Muscalburgh	Thursday 7.00mm	Davis Cannautu
Penelope MacLellan Hawkes	16 Greenfield Park, Musselburgh EH21 6SX	Thursday, 7.00pm	Dave Connarty
	(lift will be offered if needed)		
Joyce Martin	38 Milton Road W, EH15 1LE	Thursday, 7.30pm	Sheila Tansey

We hope also to offer an online group via Zoom. If you are interested in participating, please contact Deacon Eddie via email (ewhite@outlook.com) or ring 07986 015772.

Author of Life, we come to you in repentance for the sins and abuses of the past, and beg your forgiveness for the destruction of communities and cultures and environments. Enable us to reach through our inertia and fear to feed your people wherever they are.

Give us courage in the face of political pressure.

Grant us the wisdom to use our resources to your will and to your glory.

Give us the spirit of Jesus. Amen

(Njongonkulu Ndungane, Archbishop Emeritus of Cape Town)

Be Still – Lenten Meditative Bead-Prayer Workshop Invitation

First Sunday of Lent 2023 - 26 February 7.00pm to 8.30pm

As we move into the weeks of Lent, would you like to:

- Take part in a small group (10 max) in the dining room in the Parish House
- · Take time for yourself to think about this Lent
- · Have an opportunity to think about the use of beads in prayer in daily life
- · Have the opportunity with a wide range of beads and other materials,

to choose and make a string of prayer beads for yourself.

There is no cost for the workshop. As places are limited, you do need to book. If you would like to attend or for more information email tburgess@blueyonder.co.uk or text her on 07939662962 or contact Fr. Jock.

An Invitation to knit a Prayer Shawl during Lent.

Tracy Burgess writes: 'A prayer shawl is a gift we can give each other when we can give nothing else - Knitted by hand and usually (but not always) created with the recipient in mind. Woven into each shawl are healing thoughts/prayers/love. If you would be interested in knitting a prayer shawl during Lent (Wednesday evenings) then please come along. We will start on **Wednesday 1 March** between 7 and 8 in the parish house. Suitable for beginners...support offered. If you are making it for someone specific think of the colour and type of wool. Supplies to bring along: you will need approximately 6-10 balls, again depending on the size of shawl and yardage of the wool you choose- and needles to match.

Any questions please feel free to message me (07939662962) or Fr. Jock.'

THIS WEEK

Saturday 18 February - 6.30pm - St John's - Vigil Mass - livestreamed

Sunday 19 February - 7TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9.30am – St John's – Mass with baptism of Danny, Grant and Ozil Okorie - livestreamed

11.15am – St John's – **Baptism of Arlo Christopher Perth (Deacon Eddie)**

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

Monday 20 February

10.00am - St John's - Mass - livestreamed

7.00pm – Zoom - Gospel Sharing

Tuesday 21 February

10.00am-12midday - St John's Hall - Warm Spaces

10.00am – St Mary Magdalene's – Mass - livestreamed

12.00pm – St Patrick's, Lochgelly – Requiem Mass for Mike Cook (Fr Jock)

4.30pm – Parish House – Pastoral Team Meeting

7.00pm – Parish House – RCIA Mass and Celebration at the end of the Catechumenate

Wednesday 22 February – ASH WEDNESDAY

8.50am – Holyrood HS – Mass with distribution of Ashes (Fr Jock)

10.00am - St John's - Mass - livestreamed

11.15am -12.45pm - St John's Primary School - **Distribution of Ashes**

7.00pm – St Mary Magdalene's – **Mass** – livestreamed

8.00pm – Parish House – **Meeting of Lenten House Group Leaders**

Thursday 23 February

10.00am - St John's - Mass - livestreamed

10.30am – Mortonhall Crematorium – Funeral Service for Ann Carruthers

7.30pm – 10 Pittville St - Synodal Group Meeting

(as part of continuing our Synodal journey, and in the light of the call for a more equal participation for women within our Church, there is a further meeting of the group who are discussing this topic - with the intention of arranging an open meeting in our parishes to look at practical steps we might take)

Friday 24 February -

10.00am - St John's - Mass - livestreamed

10.30am- 12.00 midday - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

(as part of the Day of Prayer for those who have suffered abuse)

Saturday 25 February

9.45am - St John's - Bereavement Mass - livestreamed

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

Sunday 26 February – 1st SUNDAY OF LENT

9.30am - St John's - Mass - livestreamed

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

12.00pm – St Mary's Cathedral – Mass with Rite of Election for RCIA catechumens and candidates

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Friday 3 March – 11.00am - Duddingston Kirk – Service for the World Day of Prayer

Sunday 12 March – 12.15pm – St Mary Magdalene's – Open Parish Meeting

'SAINTS' OF THE WEEK 1 - Hans and Sophie Scholl Martyrs of the White Rose (d. 1943) – 22 February

"We will not be silent. We are your bad conscience."

In the summer and autumn of 1942, the citizens of Munich were astonished by a series of leaflets that began to circulate throughout the city. Slipped into mailboxes by unknown hands, left in empty bus stops or on park benches, the leaflets contained a sweeping indictment of the Nazi regime and enjoined readers to work for the defeat of their own nation. At a time when the merest hint of private dissent was a treasonable offense, the audacity of this open call to resistance threw the Gestapo into a rage.

Contrary to the suspicions of the authorities, the authors of these leaflets, who called themselves simply "The White Rose," were not members of any sophisticated organization. They were in fact a few



dozen university students who had been inspired by Christian faith and the uncorrupted idealism of youth to challenge the edifice of tyranny. At the centre of the group were a brother and sister, Hans and Sophie Scholl, only twenty-four and twenty-one years old. Hans was a medical student who had served on the Russian front. Sophie studied philosophy. Discerning with uncommon clarity the depth of Nazi depravity, they had decided to wage a spiritual war against the system, armed with no other weapons than courage, the power of truth, and an illegal duplicating machine.

Their strategy was simple. At the very least they hoped to shatter the illusion of unanimous consent and to defy the Nazis' claim to omnipotence. Beyond that, they dared hope that by proclaiming the truth they might break the spell in which all Germany was enthralled and inspire those with doubts to move toward active resistance.

Hans and Sophie were devout Christians. They believed that the struggle against Hitler was a battle for the soul of Germany, and thus a duty for all Christians. As one of their leaflets read, "Everywhere and at all times of greatest trial people have appeared, prophets and saints who cherished their freedom, who preached the One God and who with His help brought the people to a reversal of their downward course. Human beings are free, to be sure, but without the true God he is defenceless against the principle of evil.... We must attack evil where it is strongest, and it is strongest in the power of Hitler.... We will not be silent. We are your bad conscience. The White Rose will not leave you in peace."

Emboldened by the furore caused by their leaflets, members of the White Rose began to make other dangerous gestures, such as writing "*Down with Hitler*" on street signs and the walls of buildings. It was perhaps inevitable that the circle of amateurs would be discovered. The end began on February 18, 1943, when Hans and Sophie were caught distributing leaflets outside a lecture hall in the university. Under arrest and realizing that their fates were sealed, they proceeded to confess to all the actions of the White Rose, thus hoping to spare other conspirators from discovery. Despite their efforts, however, the Gestapo quickly rounded up the rest of the circle, both in Munich and in Hamburg, where an allied cell had formed.

Hans and Sophie Scholl along with their fellow conspirator ,Christoph Probst, a twenty-three-year-old medical student, were quickly convicted of treason and sentenced to death. All witnesses attest to the extraordinary poise with which Hans and Sophie met their fate. Their bravery was based not just on a confidence in the verdict of history, but on a deep faith that the executioner's block was the entryway to freedom and eternal life. They were beheaded on February 22.

See: Inge Scholl, The White Rose: Munich 1942-43 (Middletown, Conn.: Wesleyan University Press, 1983).

2. St John Henry Newman - Theologian (1801-1890) – 21 February

"Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom."

John Henry Newman, born on February 21, 1801, was one of the most eminent and attractive figures of the Victorian era. As a priest, a theologian, and a writer, he affirmed the value of tradition while engaging in dialogue with the modern world. Though often scorned by the church he loved, he was vindicated in his own lifetime when, at the age of seventy-eight, he was named a cardinal. He chose as his motto: "Heart speaks to heart."

The first half of Newman's life is identified with Oxford, where he studied and taught, and which ever remained a kind of spiritual home. After ordination as an Anglican priest, he assumed the prestigious post of Vicar of the University Church of St. Mary. During the 1830s he achieved wide fame as one of the leaders of the Tractarian, or Oxford, movement, a conservative effort to restore the Church of England to holiness and catholicity. In 1841 Newman published Tract 90, which seemed to offer a Catholic interpretation of the Anglican 39 Articles.

It was denounced by the church and the university, causing Newman to resign from his post. Retiring to a religious community outside of Oxford, he laboured over a massive study of the development of Christian doctrine. His aim was to show that the Anglican church had maintained the authentic deposit of faith in contrast to the distortions in the



Catholic church. But his studies led him to the opposite conclusion. He came to believe that the development of doctrine in the Roman church was not a distortion of the faith but an unfolding of its potentiality in response to new questions. Thus, convinced that the Roman Catholic church was faithful to its primitive origins, he accepted the inevitable conclusion that he should become a Catholic.

His conversion in 1845 was greeted with horror by his Anglican confreres. And yet among the conservative and basically anti-intellectual leadership of the Roman church in England, his conversion was not entirely a cause for celebration. The very reason for his conversion, rooted as it was in an appreciation for the "development of doctrine," contradicted the church's conviction that its teachings were what "everyone, everywhere, and at all times had always believed." Nevertheless, Newman was allowed to pursue ordination as a Catholic priest. To this end he was sent for a term of study in Rome. There, meekly, he sat on a bench with little boys applying himself to the rigors of scholastic method. He did not find

it congenial. Later he would write *A Grammar of Assent*, arguing against the idea that Christian faith can be proved through logic.

With his ordination in 1847 Newman became a priest of the Oratory of St. Philip Neri. Returning to England he established an Oratory in working-class Birmingham. In 1851 he was invited to Dublin to establish a Catholic university. His views on "liberal education" were presented in his classic work *The Idea of a University*. Through his publications, preaching, and a number of public disputes with hostile critics of the church, Newman emerged as the most distinguished Catholic churchman of his day. For a wave of converts he was an inspiration. And yet Newman continued to evoke suspicions on the part of his own church leadership. It was his misfortune to live in a time when the English church was deeply rent between liberal and extreme papalist (Ultramontane) factions. Despite his innately conservative nature, Newman was associated with the liberals through his basic independence of mind and his distaste for the authoritarian and triumphalistic tone that prevailed among the hierarchy.

In 1859 his article "On Consulting the Laity in Matters of Faith" was delated to Rome, casting a shadow over his name that would endure for decades. Similar disapproval attended his criticism of papal claims to temporal power and his apologetic efforts to soften the reactionary reputation of the church. "Are they not doing the Holy See a grave disservice," he asked, "who will not let a zealous man defend it in his own way, but insist on his doing it their way or not at all?"

Newman was grieved by the increasing factionalism within the church. His own cautious temperament resisted confrontation. After 1864 when Pius IX issued his Syllabus of Errors, Newman hoped for no more than to moderate the most extreme claims of the Ultramontanes and to hold open the door for future dialogue. He regarded the definition of papal infallibility at Vatican I as inopportune. And yet he mounted a spirited defence of the church against critics in England who charged that now a Catholic could not be a loyal subject. He argued that no obedience due to papal authority could rob the individual of his or her own moral responsibility.

In his own time Newman was recognized for his critical role in the reestablishment of Catholicism in England. Today he is remembered as one who struggled to keep the mind of the church open to what was good and valuable in the modern world. His understanding of the historicity of doctrine, his defence of the laity, his non-scholastic approach to theology, his spirit of tolerance, his belief in separation of church and state, his appreciation for the spiritual integrity of the intellectual life, and his celebration of the rights of conscience - all these values are consonant with the modern Catholic sensibility. They were not so in the nineteenth century.

When Newman was named a cardinal - the first such appointment by Pope Leo XIII - it was said that this only showed how Rome had not read any of his writings. And yet he was not a "liberal Catholic" in the factional sense of the time. What was and remains interesting about Newman was his effort to stand in two worlds, modern and traditional. This accounts both for his courage and the tension in his life. Because what passed for conservatism in his age was so often intemperate, close-minded, and extreme, it appeared to many that Newman was a liberal. According to his own sense, he was a conservative, committed to preserving the old truth while remaining open to new questions. If he was anything he was a realist. Thus, he preserved his optimism by counting on the long run. One of his favourite mottoes was "Everything in its time." Pope Paul VI must have recognized the truth of this saying when he called Vatican II "Newman's Council." And he was canonised by Pope Francis in October 2019.

See: Louis Bouyer, Newman: His Life and Spirituality (New York: P. J. Kenedy & Sons, 1958); Brian Martin, John Henry Newman: His Life and Work (New York: Oxford University Press, 1982).

From Archbishop Leo's Weekly 'Ad Clerum'

Message from Archbishop Leo – 'Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, and it is a day of fasting and abstinence to acknowledge our mortality and begin preparing ourselves spiritually for Easter. Lent is a time of prayer and penance and I encourage you to take the opportunity to go to Confession if you have not been for a while. It is there that we experience the loving mercy of God, who forgives our sins and offers us His grace as we look with hope to experiencing the joy of Easter when Jesus was resurrected from the dead. The Friday after Ash Wednesday is the Day of Prayer for Those who have Suffered Abuse, and we hold in prayer all those who have experienced abuse. I wish you all a prayerful and peaceful Lent.'

Synod - What happened at the recent Continental Assembly of the Synod in Prague? And what happens next? Find out in a series of feedback videos on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel. See bit.ly/synodplaylist

Remembering Service - A service for those who have suffered the loss of a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, takes place **today Sunday 19 February**, 5:00pm at St John the Baptist RC Church, St Ninian's Road, Corstorphine, Edinburgh. The service is ecumenical and open to all.

Lent talks - Discover Jesus Christ in the Servant Songs of Isaiah with four online talks from the Archdiocese. They are hosted by Fr Jamie McMorrin of St Margaret's, Davidson's Mains, and Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM and take place at 7:30pm on **Wednesday 1, 8, 15, 22 March**. Register at bit.ly/lenttalks2023

Retreat - Save the date: A retreat takes place at St Kentigern's Church, Parkgrove Avenue, Barnton, Edinburgh, from **Friday 24 to Sunday 26 March.** It is led by Fr Bart Parys, A Divine Word Missionary based in Ireland. The retreat is open to all to find time in Lent to draw closer to Jesus. No registration required. Details to follow soon.

Vacancy - The Justice & Peace Commission of The Bishops' Conference of Scotland is looking for a Catholic Social Teaching Engagement Officer. The position is full time and the salary is £32-36k, dependent upon experience. To express interest and for full job description email to jill.kent@justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk. **Closing date for applications is Friday 24 February.**

Vocations Mass - The Archdiocesan Mass for Vocations is a chance to pray that more young people answer God's call to the priesthood and religious life. The next one takes place at 5:15pm on **Monday 6 March** at St Albert's chaplaincy, 24 George Square, Edinburgh. Refreshments served after Mass.

NOTICEBOARD

Fairtrade Fortnight - Monday 27 February to Sunday 12 March - 'Climate change is making crops like coffee, bananas and chocolate harder and harder to grow. Combined with deeply unfair trade, communities growing these crops are being pushed to the brink. More of us choosing Fairtrade means extra income, power, and support for those communities.

Care for Creation - 'This month LOOK OUT FOR first bulbs appearing in parks and gardens - SNOWDROPS and then CROCUS. Marvel at their fragility and beauty and reflect how GOD RENEWS the natural world each year, without creating piles of polluting rubbish. When plants die, everything is NATURALLY RE-CYCLED - dead leaves and flowers are acted on by insects and bacteria in the soil MARVELLOUSLY to produce nutrients for the following year. On the other hand, as HUMANS we produce millions of tons of WASTE, some of it polluting and dangerous to our own health. (Listen to "Buried" on BBC Sounds to hear how some of it is being illegally dumped in the UK by criminal gangs.) So, when you REDUCE what you buy, REUSE as much as possible and RE-CYCLE your paper, plastic, cans, bottles and food waste- in doing so you are helping the health of the PLANET and HUMAN health, as well as enabling the EARTH better to give GLORY to God.'

(With gratitude to the newsletter of St Ninian's, Restalrig)

A REFLECTION ON THE READINGS FOR THE GOSPEL FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – MATTHEW 5: 38-48

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

When I was fourteen years old or so, I had a Saturday job working as a 'van boy' for Wonderloaf. Some of you might remember the name. The vans in the North-East of England had a blue and cream livery, a cream upper with a blue skirt and blue lettering against the cream. Wonderloaf's advertising strapline was: *Same price as ordinary bread*. The slogan, in blue, stood out against the cream background. As a slogan it fell foul of the advertising regulator, the forerunner to the Advertising Standards Authority. The implication being that this was not ordinary bread – yet available at no extra cost. The order was issued to hide the offending slogan. The Depot Manager in Sunderland was either colour blind or lazy. With no eye whatsoever for colour matching, he painted white gloss paint over the blue lettering. The contrast with the cream was made worse by the fact that after a few days, the blue lettering started to peep through his attempts at being a modern-day Raphael.

Advertisers love a strap line. Nowadays we have statements such as: *These are no ordinary Christmas Pies - these are M &S buttery, flaky, mince pies.* Some strap lines have a strained relationship with honesty and accuracy. So, we are told that L'Oreal (because you're worth it!) proudly announces that 7 out of 10 users agree that Revitalift reduces **the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles.** (My bold letters!) Then the small print, print which stays on the screen for less than a second, helpfully lets us know that 27 people took part in the survey. The same company also offers Telescopic Lift Mascara for longer-looking lashes. Note. They won't **be** longer they will just look longer – like wrinkles that look as if they are not there.

In today's Gospel, Jesus delivers his own strap line for this week. In some ways, the Gospels are full of individual strap lines, all part of the one message. So today we have: *Turn the other cheek*. The strap-line is about showing respect to each other. It's important to understand what Jesus is NOT talking about. He is not for one minute suggesting that Ukraine should roll over and let Russia go where it wills. What he is suggesting is that, when we stand as witnesses to him, that we turn the other cheek when such a stance reduces us to ridicule or persecution. Our argument and stance is strengthened by a peaceful response, and weakened by aggression. Last night I watched an excellent programme on C4. It dealt with assisted dying - a very emotive subject. Dame Pru Leith and her son, Danny Kruger, co-presented. She is up there with Dame Judi Dench as a favourite of the nation, he is an MP whose name suggests he might be a wrestler on the WWF Circuit. She is pro assisted dying, he against. Being mother and son, a grown-up exchange of ideas was more or less guaranteed. More or less. There were several moments when Danny, in particular resorted to aggressive language. Yet, in everything Jesus is urging that we show respect to one another, and never resort to violence – either spoken or physical.

Apparently scientists have developed a drug that prevents the male seed from swimming, and are promoting it by claiming that this will mean that controlling the size and timing of families will no longer be the exclusive responsibility of women. Interference takes place right at the start of life. It seems increasingly likely that we will be pressured to interfere at the end. We have succeeded in making morality complicated. Last week, I pointed out the importance of silence in the search for quake survivors in Syria and Turkey. Silence in our own lives is equally if not more important as we plot our moral route. Legislation is coming. The UK is no longer a Christian country. Jesus relies on our voice to make his message heard. Lent is looming on the horizon. Might I suggest that you promise yourself and God 15 minutes each day of quality total silence. No words, no readings, no Gregorian chant – just silence. Listen. And let him help you find a way through the mire.

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Paul Igo

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

Margaret Cheyne John Newall Una O'Reilly Gerry Power snr Mary Robertson Peter Hanlon Archie Fitzpatrick

Please pray for those Paríshioners who are sick:

St. John's:

Una Laing, Harry Allan, baby Damon McDonald, May Thomson, Bob Kelly, Carol Simpson, Pat Dickin, Charlotte and Fred McGregor, John Freeman, Kitty Dykes, Kenny O'Connor, Gerry Gallagher, John Cregan, Kim O'Neill, Rose Thornton, Kathleen Brown, Mike Noonan, John Whyte, Maria Pacitti, Fiona Connel, Ann Dobie, Sheelagh Dobson, Chloe Sutherland, Norah Bruce, Mike and Patricia Lawler, 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:

Sara Alkahtari, John McLaughlin, Isobel Philipps, Mary McGovern (jnr), Carolynne McCann, Tom Bauld, Sam Burns, Jacqueline Marinello, Sandra Watt, Mary Cole, Chris English, Andrew Farmer, Margaret Duffy, Maria Scott Jnr, Louise Gorman, Bridget Malone, Charles Malcolm, Margaret Ryan, Jacqueline Hannan, Julie Keegan, Rose McKay, Annie Watson, David O'Donnell, Jude Ferguson and Mary and James Muir.

Anniversaries:

St John's:

Feb.18: Molly Carr (1997); Sarah Taylor (1965); James J Stone (1954); Gordon Bartek; Feb.19: John Newall (2022); James Hughes (1998); Theresa Bannon (1991); Feb.20: Margaret Wood (2001); Catherine McGovern (1970); John McCann (1915); Helen Mackersey; Feb.21: John Meagher (1999); Michael McCreadie (1997); Feb.22: Viola Bodeasiak (2021); Wanda Kosok (2015); John Dunn (2014); John Walsh (1993); Feb.23: Patricia Walker (2021); John Hughes (1990); Feb.24: Josephine Broadley (2006); Mary McPartlin (1989); Luisa Iannarelli (1978); Richard Rooney; Charles Wynne; Feb.25: Agnes Watters (1999); Thomas Robb (1997); Mary Young (1903); James Hanlon; James Keegan; Feb.26: Betty Rope (2009); Mary Green (2006); Helen Molloy (1968); Bridget Meehan (1958); Edward Magee (missing 1944); Filomena Perilla;

St Mary Magdalene's:

Feb.18: Alex. Cummings (2003); Barbara Rourke (1991); **Feb.19:** Margaret Cheyne (2014); **Feb.20:** Anne Wallace (2008); **Feb.21:** Elizabeth Mulvanny (1996); Sarah O'Neill (1993); **Feb.22:** Mary Robertson (2016); **Feb.24:** Margaret Gordon (2021); Mary Coll (2004);

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:

Sophie Robinson, Louise Young, Kevin O'Connell, Emma Blackman, Anthony Kramers, Tricia Scott, Harriet Wingfield Digby (aged 9), Baby Laurie Martin, Alan Proudlock, Evelyn Walsh, Sr Elizabeth Mackie, Kate Mackay, Grace Stuart, Stephen Norwood, Bill and Audrey Jones, Richard Johnson, John Miller, Lydia Reid, Douglas Edington, Agnes Clarke, David Fenwick, Maurice McAllister, Rita Noonan, baby Lucas McCourt, Ava Simpkin (aged 12), Ellen Dow, Chris White, members of the McGrath Family, Maureen Hutchinson, Hans Zaunbrecher, Judith Franklin, Clare Johnston, Mary and Derek Lamarque, Anne Morris, Baby Josh Simpson, Keiran Smart (aged 15), Michael Doherty, Carol Turnbull, Jean Wylie, Mary Conefrey, Angela Khan, George and Ann McDermott, Suzanne O'Callaghan, 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, Colin Raasch, Annabelle Cervantes, 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, Ellen Green, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Joan Brooks, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.

Offertory 12 February 2023

St Mary Magdalene's, £305.27 total, including £109.27 Offertory and £196.00 Gift Aid

St John's, £1457.62 total, including £465.22 Offertory, £238.40 Gift Aid and £754.00 online donations

Special Collection for Syrian/Turkish earthquake St Mary Magdalene's: £331.45 – St John's: £1347.00

