

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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24 SEPTEMBER 2023 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR



Fr Jock set off on a late summer holiday last week, bike as ever on top of his car (and occasionally coming off it). **Fr Jim Smith** has very kindly been covering for him at our weekday and Sunday Masses and will do so until this Tuesday, 26 September, when **Fr Loreto Tabone** arrives from Gozo. Fr Tabone will be with us till Sunday 8 October, overlapping with Fr Jock for a few days.

Living Faith, the Redemptorist magazine, with a reflection for each day of the last three months of the year, is available free at the back of both churches (though if you would like to help us cover costs, a donation of £2 would do so...!). The theme of this edition is 'And the Word became flesh...' (John 1:14)

SCIAF Emergency Appeal for Morocco and Libya – The leaving collection last weekend in the two Parishes raised a total of **£905.37.-** many, many thanks. If anyone would like to contribute online, the link is <https://bit.ly/3PvI3rM>

The next Baptismal Preparation Course will take place on Thursday 12 and Thursday 19 October at 7.30pm in the Parish House... if you would like to participate, please contact Fr Jock or Enrico Fertini, our administrator, to enrol for the course.

Enquiry Group for the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) - Would you like to discover more about the Catholic Faith or possibly even be received or baptised into the Catholic Church? Were you baptised Catholic but were never confirmed or made your first communion? Or do you wish to return to the practise of the faith? You would be most welcome to come along to our informal gatherings on Tuesday evenings at 7.45pm in the Parish House – **the first enquiry evening will take place on Tuesday 9 October**... For more information, contact Fr Jock or Enrico in the Parish Office, or Colette Dempsey (07864 670151) and Bronagh Power (07902 607936), our catechists.

God, Lord of all creation,
*lover of life and of everything, please help us to love in our very small way
what You love infinitely and everywhere.*
*We thank You that we can offer just this one prayer
and that will be more than enough, because in reality every thing
and every one is connected, and nothing stands alone.*
To pray for one part is really to pray for the whole, and so we do.
*Help us each day to stand for love, for healing, for the good,
for the diverse unity of the Body of Christ and all creation,
because we know this is what you desire:*
as Jesus prayed, that all may be one.
*We offer our prayer together with all the holy names of God,
we offer our prayer together with Christ, our Lord.*
Amen.

Richard Rohr OFM - Daily Meditations

THIS WEEK

Saturday 23 September - 6.30pm – St John’s – **Vigil Mass** - livestreamed

Sunday 24 September (25th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR)

9.30am - St John’s - **Mass** - livestreamed

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Mass** – livestreamed

Monday 25 September

10.00am – St John’s – **Mass** – livestreamed

7.00pm – Zoom – **Gospel Sharing** – please click [HERE](#) (or type <https://bit.ly/46chfDX> in your browser)

Tuesday 26 September - 10.00am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Mass** – livestreamed

Wednesday 27 September

9.15am-9.50am – St John’s – **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

10.00am – St John’s – **Mass** – livestreamed

Thursday 28 September - 10.00am – St John’s – **Requiem Mass for Lorraine Syme** – livestreamed

Friday 29 September – *Feast of SS Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael*

9.15am-9.50am – St John’s – **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

10.00am – St John’s – **Mass** – livestreamed

Saturday 30 September - 6.30pm – St John’s – **Vigil Mass** - livestreamed

Sunday 1 October (26th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR)

9.30am - St John’s - **Mass** - livestreamed

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Mass** – livestreamed

View the **links for the Masses** by visiting our webpage:

<http://bit.ly/2023Mass> - or by scanning the QR code → → → →



IN THE COMING WEEKS ...

Saturday 7 October – 9.45am – St John’s – **Requiem Mass for Allan Guthrie**

From Archbishop Leo's Weekly 'Ad Clerum'

SCIAF event - Mark Booker from SCIAF hosts the second evening of a two-part workshop this Thursday 28 September, 7-9pm at Sacred Heart Church, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ. It is titled '**Catholic Social Teaching in Action: The SCIAF Approach**'. It will highlight the charity's work and how Catholic Social Teaching can be put into action in the light of the Gospel. Register at ejcyoungadults@jesuit.org.uk.

Retreat in Daily Life - Fr David Stewart SJ leads a four-week Retreat in Daily Life from next Sunday, 1 October, to 5 November. You can make this individually guided retreat without leaving your home, just attend the welcome gathering at the start, and a similar shared closing at the end at Sacred Heart Church, Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ. For an application pack and more details email ejcretreats@jesuit.org.uk

Free2Pray - The Scottish Parliament is considering a proposed Bill to ban peaceful prayers and offers of help near abortion clinics in Scotland. Join a webinar titled '**Free2Pray**' to find out what you can do to make your voice heard. It takes place on **Tuesday 3 October** at 7:45pm and is organised by the Scottish Catholic Parliamentary Office. Register at bit.ly/free2pray

A View from Within - Those with experience of what life is like inside Scotland's prisons – including prison chaplains – share their stories at this free event to mark Prisoners' Week. It takes place on **Saturday 7 October** from 10:00am- 3:30pm at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Details and registration at bit.ly/aviewfromwithin

Safeguarding Event - The National Safeguarding Conference takes place on **Saturday 18 November** in Glasgow. The event is for anyone who has a safeguarding responsibility in a parish. Register at bit.ly/3Z93und.

Teams of Our Lady - Teams is a worldwide lay movement within the Catholic Church that aims to help married couples grow in their love of Christ and each other, recognising that Christian marriage is a precious gift that we need to nurture. Teams consist of four to six couples and a spiritual counsellor, often a priest, who meet roughly once a month in each other's homes becoming, over time, a strong supportive group. An open information evening takes place on **Tuesday 10 October**, 6:30pm - 7:30pm in Ss John Cantius & Nicholas Church Hall, Broxburn, EH52 5RJ.

Searching for Jesus in the Gospel of Mark - St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh hosts five evenings of special talks with US theologian Professor James Edwards. Begins **23 October**. Tickets/details at bit.ly/Jesus-in-GospelofMark

Mass for Young Adults - A Mass for Young Adults takes place **each Sunday at 7.00pm** at Sacred Heart Church in Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ. The new Young Adults Ministry programme for 2023-24 is available at the Church or via ejcyoungadults@jesuit.org.uk

NOTICEBOARD

A Farewell Party for Gift - Sunday 8 October 2023, 7.00pm in St John's Hall

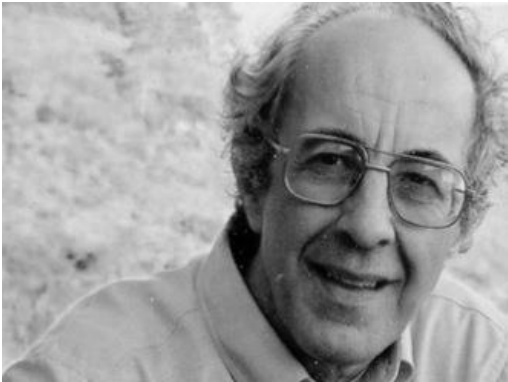
Chris Jones writes: 'Gift Thomson has been part of our community of St. John's and St Mary Magdalene's for over five years and has made a huge contribution to our life. He will be greatly missed when he returns to Malawi in the second week of October. There will be a Farewell Party in St John's Hall on Sunday 8 October, to which parishioners and friends are warmly invited. To help with catering, please let me know - if you can - by Sunday 1 October. Thank you. (BYOB) Chris (AKA *The Godfather* – or, at least, Gift's!) chrisjones442@hotmail.com'.

Date		*** St John's Eucharistic Ministers rota ***		
September	23	John Lawler	Pauline MacInnes	Tracy Burgess
	24		Anne Dixon	Marie Sinclair
	30	Matt Gorrie	Bozena Tansey	Jesus Miguel Pena
October	1		Bernie Gallagher	Caroline Gibson

‘SAINT’ OF THE WEEK 1

September 20 - Henri Nouwen, Priest and Spiritual Guide (1932-1996)

"Dear Lord, I will remain restless, tense, and dissatisfied until I can be totally at peace in your house.... There is no certainty that my life will be any easier in the years ahead, or that my heart will be any calmer. But there is the certainty that you are waiting for me and will welcome me home when I have persevered in my long journey to your house."



At the time of his death in 1996, Henri Nouwen was one of the most popular and influential spiritual writers of his time. Through dozens of books, he invited countless persons to enter more deeply into the spiritual life - intimacy with Jesus and solidarity with a wounded world. Much of his impact came from his frank willingness to confide his own woundedness. This confessional honesty was a central feature of his message. The spiritual life, he insisted, was not simply intended for saints or "perfect people." Instead, the call of Jesus was addressed to the lame and halt, ordinary people, all of us in our brokenness and humanity: *"We have been chosen to make our own limited and very conditional love the*

gateway for the unlimited and unconditional love of God." It was a call to conversion, to healing, a call to come home.

The search for his true home was a constant motif of Nouwen's life and writings. Born in Holland where he was ordained a priest, Nouwen spent the better part of his life in the United States. He taught at a number of prestigious American universities, including Notre Dame and Yale Divinity School. It was during these years in the 1970s that he began to emerge as the popular author of such books as *Reaching Out, Intimacy, and The Wounded Healer*. Though he quickly won a devoted following, Nouwen experienced a constant restlessness and anxiety about his place in the world. He was afflicted by an inordinate need for affection and affirmation; there was a depth within, it seemed, that God alone could fill.

In 1974 Nouwen took a year off to live in the Trappist Abbey of the Genesee. It was not enough simply to teach spirituality; he felt he must cultivate some deeper spiritual centre of his own. His subsequent *Genesee Diary* offered a moving account of this monastic retreat, while at the same time opening a window on his spiritual struggles: *"What was driving me from one book to another, one place to another, one project to another?"* He returned to Yale. But in 1981 he left for a different kind of retreat, this time among the poor of Latin America. Living with missionaries in the poor barrios of Bolivia and Peru, he wondered whether God was calling him to some kind of ministry in Latin America. Ultimately, he returned to the United States, convinced that his vocation was to help serve as a bridge between the oppressed but faithful people of Latin America and Christians in the North.

In 1982 he accepted an invitation to teach at Harvard Divinity School. His lectures attracted enormous crowds. But this only underlined his abiding sense of loneliness and isolation. Later he wrote with feeling about the temptations that Christ suffered in the desert: to be *"relevant, powerful, and spectacular."* He was no longer satisfied with the glittering stimulation of university life. But neither monastic solitude nor Third World mission seemed to answer his heart's desire. At this point there came a great turning point in his life.

Over the years Nouwen had visited a number of L'Arche communities in France and Canada. In these communities people with learning difficulties lived in community with able helpers. In 1986 Daybreak, the L'Arche community in Toronto, formally invited Nouwen to join them as their pastor. As he later observed, it was the first time in his life that he had received such a formal call. Having lived for many years among the *"best and brightest,"* he wondered whether it might be among the "poor in spirit" that he would finally find what he was seeking. With trepidation, he accepted the call and Daybreak became his home for the rest of his life.

It was a different life than what he had known before. Aside from his pastoral duties, Nouwen lived like all other members of the community in a house. He was assigned to care for the most severely disabled adult in the community, a young man named Adam, who could not talk or move by himself. Nouwen spent hours each morning simply bathing, dressing, and feeding Adam. He found it an occasion of deep inner conversion. Adam was not impressed by Nouwen's books or his fame or his genius as a public speaker. But through this mute and helpless man, Nouwen began to experience a sense of what it means to be *"Beloved"* of God.

This was not, however, the end of his struggles. After his first year at Daybreak, he underwent a complete emotional breakdown - doubtless the culmination of long suppressed tensions. For months he could barely talk or leave his room. Now he was the helpless one, mutely crying out to God for some affirmation of his existence. With the support and prayers of his friends he was able to break through, to emerge more at peace with himself. To this trauma there was added a nearly fatal accident that impressed him further with a sense of his own mortality and a deeper appreciation for the preciousness of life. These insights were expressed in his subsequent books. He described a sense of *"being sent: sent to make the all-embracing love of the Father known to people who hunger and thirst for love."* Increasingly, his writings reflected a sense of urgency, as if he sensed how little time there was to share all he wanted to say.

In a series of books, he reflected on the challenge of befriending our death as an event that gives ultimate meaning to our lives. *"The main question is not, how much will we still be able to do during the few years we have left to live? But rather, how can we prepare ourselves for our death in such a way that our dying will be a new way for us to send our own and God's spirit to those whom we loved and who have loved us?"*

In the summer of 1996 Nouwen worked hard, completing five books. To many friends he seemed happier and more at peace than they had ever seen him - talking with great enthusiasm of his coming sixty-fifth birthday. Thus, it came as a great shock when he suddenly died of a heart attack on September 21. Death came as he was passing through his native Holland, on his way to Russia to work on a film about his favourite painting, Rembrandt's *Return of the Prodigal Son*. His body was returned for burial among his Daybreak family and friends.

He left many books in production. One of them, published on the day he died, concluded with these words: *"Many friends and family members have died during the past eight years and my own death is not so far away. But I have heard the inner voice of love, deeper and stronger than ever. I want to keep trusting in that voice and be led by it beyond the boundaries of my short life, to where Christ is all in all."*

See: Henri Nouwen, *The Return of the Prodigal Son* (New York: Doubleday, 1992); *The Road to Daybreak: A Spiritual Journey* (New York: Doubleday, 1988).

SAINT OF THE WEEK 2

September 28 - St. Lioba - Nun and Missionary (c. 700-780)

"I send you this little gift, not because it is worth your consideration but simply so that you may have something to remind you of my humble self, and so not to forget me when you are so far away; may it draw tighter the bond of true love between us forever." - St. Lioba to St. Boniface



The chronicles of early Christian mission tend to focus on the adventures of monks and priests, with less attention paid to the holy women who often accompanied them. One of these early pioneers was St. Lioba, the friend and companion of St. Boniface. Lioba was an English nun in the abbey of Wimborne in Dorset and a distant relative of Boniface. When word travelled back to England about his exploits as a missionary in Germany, she made bold to initiate a correspondence. She began her charming letter,

To the most Reverend Boniface, bearer of the highest dignity and well-beloved in Christ, Liobgetha [Lioba], to whom he is related by blood, the least of Christ's handmaids, sends greetings for eternal salvation.

From this beginning there bloomed a devoted friendship. After corresponding for a full twenty years, Boniface requested of the abbess of Wimborne that Lioba and a group of other nuns be sent to join him in his mission and to establish monastic centres for women in Germany. Lioba was delighted to answer this invitation. With a group of thirty nuns she made her way to Germany, there meeting for the first time her friend and mentor. He provided them with a monastery in Mainz, where he was now the bishop. With Lioba in charge, this community prospered and soon established sister communities throughout Germany.

Lioba was renowned for her wisdom and piety, as well as for her pleasant disposition. Many well-born persons, including the wife of the emperor, sought her out for spiritual counsel and learned conversation.

In 754 Boniface resigned his see and undertook his final perilous mission to non-Christian Frisia. In parting from Lioba he expressed his respect and affection and noted his desire that after her death she might be buried with him

"so that their bodies might wait the resurrection and be raised together in glory to meet the Lord and be forever united in the kingdom of His love." It was their last meeting. Soon after, Boniface fell a martyr.

In years to come Lioba made frequent trips to his grave at the abbey of Fulda. She lived on for more than twenty years, and with her monastery she continued to serve the steady Christianizing of Germany that Boniface had started. When she died in 780 her body was indeed buried in the abbey-church of Fulda, according to their common wishes, a short distance from the bones of Boniface.

See: Rudolf, Monk of Fulda, "The Life of St. Lioba," in *The Anglo-Saxon Missionaries in Germany*, ed. D. H. Talbot (New York: Sheed & Ward, 1954).

Both of these biographies are taken from Robert Ellsberg's book, *All Saints* (1997)



...a new perspective on two famous stories from the Old Testament...



You may remember an old definition of prayer:
*'The raising of the mind and heart to Love, to God'.
...Could you begin doing this?*

*Thinking thankfulness.
Practise the 'gratitude attitude'*

*,... for the walk you've just had,
the shower you've just enjoyed,
the meal you are preparing,
the friend who is calling in later,
the friendly shop assistant this morning,
the arrival of the email you were waiting for,
the persistent demon you have finally befriended.*

Daniel O'Leary - The Healing Habit

A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL FOR THE 25TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – MATTHEW 20:1-16

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

The Betel charity is not exactly my cup of tea, but the work they do is worthy of admiration. Fundamental Christianity that would make the late revered Pope Benedict appear as leftie trendy is never going to appeal to me. They operate a couple of houses in Hexham and a small café, a café which serves wholesome food, cheaply priced and sort of presentable – but the latter very much depends on the serving staff at a particular hour. The charity works to rehabilitate addicts and alcoholics. Gillian is one such. I like Gillian. We click. Our relationship was borne of a fried egg bap. She knows how to fry eggs with yolks of the correct ‘ooze factor’. One day she presented a bap with three eggs instead of two. At the till I expected to pay for all three. With a conspiratorial wink she told me not to tell anyone and was somewhat taken aback when I insisted on paying for the third egg, almost as if she couldn’t understand this mad man stood in front of her. Old habits die hard. Sadly she picked the wrong man to father her two children. Abusive and violent, no matter how hard she tried to escape him, he always found her. When eventually she did succeed, prostitution and drug addiction wrapped their tendrils around her, trapping her even more effectively than her former partner. She was struggling. To feed her addiction and her children, she claimed more Benefits than her entitlement. She was charged and prosecuted. The Daily Hate was thrilled. They had another Benefits cheat story. This will help sales, cried the editor, gleefully rubbing his hands: A bonus surely awaits me this year. Gillian keeps the cutting from the Daily Hate in her purse. She reads it from time to time, not as a badge of honour, but to remind her of where she has come from and, hopefully, warn her about giving eggs away that aren’t hers to give.

This week, the National Audit Office, found that the UK Cabinet Office was careless and lax in its handling of taxpayer’s funds when it authorised the taxpayers (that’s you and me) payment of one of our former Prime Ministers’ legal fees in his unsuccessful defence against the charge of lying to the Parliament. People refer to this Prime Minister as being like Marmite – you either love or hate him. I’m caught in a dilemma, for I love Marmite. The Daily Hate did not see fit to provide any narrative of the issue, and, in any case, there was a juicy story about a boat load of refugees to fill their column inches. It’s funny how, if you’re a single black mother claiming benefits to which you’re not entitled, you’re guilty of fraud. If you’re a multimillionaire from the seat of political power you’re merely benefitting from a misappropriation of public money. And anyway, look at ULEZ and Labour’s war on cars! What??

I mention the two characters, not to make some chippy point (I happily plead guilty of possessing an enviable collection of chips of all shapes and sizes: a chip for every occasion, as they say!) but because it may just be that on the day we stand before God at our individual Judgement Day, this is the sort of issue about which we will be quizzed - not necessarily about our collections of indulgences gained or prayers completed. Where do we stand? Remember the time when Jesus was quizzing his disciples about public opinion: *Who do people say I am?* followed by: *But you, who do you say I am?* The fence may be comfortable sometimes, but he will not allow us to sit there indefinitely. This weekend’s Gospel flies in the face of our view of ‘justice’ and challenges our concepts of ‘generosity’. The parable can leave us unsettled. *Why be envious because I am generous?* We have a problem. Sometimes we want God to behave the way we think he should behave, the way we behave in our affairs. It’s much harder for us to turn our values upside down and behave as He does. Unquestioning, unfathomable love, all-embracing love, all accepting love is quite a tall order. Give me a break, dear Lord! The reality in my own life is that God loves me despite all my character defects, my selfishness, my sinfulness. There is nothing I can do that would stop Him from loving me. This truth is both humbling and enabling in equal measure. There is no need to be fearful of anything at all. Being recipients of his love, who are we to begrudge it to others? He has given freely to us – and we should do likewise with those around us.

PARISH REGISTER

Warm birthday greetings to Michael Boon, 60 last Sunday, 17 September.

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Angela McKenna - Allan Guthrie

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

*Nuala Scott - Susie Cunningham
Fr Andrew Hughes - Pat Hay-Will
Norah Thompson - Mary Lawrie*

Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:

St. John's:

Len Connelly, Patricia Gilmartin, Krystyna Borak, John Cregan, Donna Buchan, Ronnie Carroll, Charlotte and Fred McGregor, Frank Phillips, Ann O'Brien, Kathie Gallagher, Diane McCarthy, Raymond Walker, Margaret Duffy, Mike and Patricia Lawler, Mike Burns, Harry Allan, May Thomson, Carol Simpson, 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, Nora 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, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Maureen Low, Mary Slight, Norman Telfer, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers and Marie Angela Crolla.

St Mary Magdalene's:

John Cunningham, Monica Gorman, 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 17 September 2023

St Mary Magdalene's, £292.72 total, including
£131.72 Offertory and 161.00 Gift Aid

St John's, £1118.90 total, including £219.60 Offertory,
£159.30 Gift Aid and £740.00 online donations.

Anniversaries:

St John's:

Sept.23: Katie Randall (2017); John McCue (2012); James & Mary Boyle; **Sept.24:** Peter McDonald (2012); Robert Munro (2000); Annie K O'Neill (2000); Josephine Ross (1991); Molly Tracy; **Sept.25:** Robert McArthur (2008); Elizabeth Hoy (1993); Colin Kemp (1992); **Sept.26:** Bridget Allen (1978); **Sept.27:** Mary Lawrie (1985); **Sept.28:** William McLaughlin (2013); Paul McElroy (2008); Christina Reidy (2008); Kitty Calder (2003); Arnold Waugh (1993); Esther Leyland (1982); John Jeffrey; **Sept.29:** Nuala Scott (2019); Ian Lawrie (2002); James G Kelly (1996); Patricia McAuley (1932);

St Mary Magdalene's:

Sept.25: James Lang (2008);

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:

Ella Cranston, Dr Grier Gordon, Nessa Campbell, baby White, Mike Fox, Rose May Mattison, Joan Brooks, Brian Gurney, Alec Robb, Mike Nelson, Kathie Duffy, Dave Cook, Richard Reid, Anne Morris, Alison St.Clair Ford, Shirley Robertson, Elaine Connolly, Miranda McDonnell, Mary Madden, Neil Boyle, John Wiggins, Lucy Pagett, Jim Gray, John Curran, Saramma Samuel, Margaret Troupe, Caitlin Mair, Robert Clark, Peter Robinson, Stuart Goddard, Win Veitch, Peter Hanley, Kate Titterington, Ann Currie, Chris White, Douglas Edington, Helen Robertson, baby Josh Simpson, Desire Bascon, Janet Haring, 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 9), Alan Proudlock, Evelyn Walsh, Grace Stuart, Stephen Norwood, John Miller, Agnes Clarke, David Fenwick, Maurice McAllister, Rita Noonan, baby Lucas McCourt, Ellen Dow, 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, George and Ann McDermott, Tara Kuppinger, Charlotte O'Brien, young Martha Moyes (aged 6), Jennifer Kay, Seval and Kazim Kazimoglu, Ann Watt (Mgr Rae's sister), Jan Meise, Roger Bromley, 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, Laura Anderson, James O'Rourke, Tommy Muir, James Shepherd, Andrew Franklin, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Joan Brooks, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.

THANK YOU!