

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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6 OCTOBER 2024 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

“Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”

(Mark 10:15)

We continue to hold in our hearts those who are suffering – and all those who have lost their lives – not only in Gaza and Israel and in Ukraine, and indeed in Sudan and in all the wars and conflicts in our world...

Please keep in your prayers the participants in the Synod on Synodality in Rome, which has just begun its second phase and will last three weeks..... Pope Francis’ efforts to renew our Church are focused on this Synod. To help us understand what’s involved and why it is so important, please read the two articles – by Thomas Reese and Gerard O’Connell – which accompany this newsletter...

The Annual Safeguarding Statement (previously read out in February but moved to this weekend to bring our diocese into line with the other Scottish dioceses) will be read out at the end of our three weekend Masses by our Safeguarding Reps, **Peter Gillam** (for St John’s) and **Alison Connelly** (for St Mary Magdalene’s).

THE FIRST RCIA ENQUIRY EVENING (RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will be on Tuesday 15 October at 7.45pm in the Parish House. For more information, please contact Fr Jock or Enrico, our administrator in the Parish Office, or either of Colette Dempsey (07864 670151) and Bronagh Power (07902 607936), our catechists.

Would you like to discover more about the Catholic Faith or possibly even be received or baptised into – or confirmed in - 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...

PS This Tuesday night at 7.45pm there will be a get-together of last year's (2023-4) RCIA group.

Renewal of St John's Central Heating System.

Chris Vinestock writes: *'The installation of the new radiators has commenced this week. Two new gas boilers are already in situ in the church basement. The entire works should be completed in the next two or three weeks. Your continued patience is appreciated – especially by those invited to go to St Mary Magdalene's for most of this week's weekday Masses, while the work continues in St John's.'*

*A message from the Justice & Peace Group...about the **St Andrew's Night Concert***

This year the J&P St Andrew's Night Concert will be on Friday 29 November at 7pm in St John's church. (We didn't think we should hold the concert on Sat 30th while Fr Jock was trying to conduct the Vigil Mass!). **The charity we will be supporting is our parishes' nominated charity for this year, the STEKA Women's Hostel,** in the countryside outside Blantyre, in Malawi.

As usual, we have lined up a stellar cast of performers - we had to turn down Taylor Swift and Oasis as there was no room for them on the programme! – and as usual, admission, including a glass of wine, will be free.

We will, of course, give you the chance to make a donation on the evening and there will be raffle tickets on sale before and during the concert and **we would be very grateful for donations of raffle prizes to help us in our fundraising.** Donations of raffle prizes can be given to Ros Mackay, Jennifer Morris, Jim Roarty or any member of the J&P Group.

*The new issue of **Living Faith**, the Redemptorist magazine, with a reflection for each day for the next three months of the year, is still 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...!)*

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away... (Mark 13:31)

THIS WEEK

Saturday 5 October – 9.30am-1.30pm – St John's Hall – **Pamoja Fashion Sale**

11.30am – St John's – **Baptism of Calum and Freddie Lennox**

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

Sunday 6 October – **27TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

9.30am – St John's – **Mass** (with Steka monthly draw) – *livestreamed*

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

Monday 7 October – 10am – St Luke's, Mayfield – **Requiem Mass for Brid Cudlipp** (Fr Jock)

2.30pm – St John's – **Healing Mass (with the Sacrament of Anointing)** – *livestreamed*

6.45pm – 2 Eskside East – House Group – **The Chosen (Series 2)**

7.00pm – St John's Hall – **Meeting for the Parents of the First Communion Candidates**

8.15pm – Zoom – **Gospel Sharing**

Tuesday 8 October –

10.00 – Baptist Church Café – **Holy Huddle (Meeting of the local ministers and priests)**

7.00pm – Parish House Prayer Room – **Mass** – *livestreamed*

7.45pm – Parish House – **RCIA 2023/4 Get-Together**

Wednesday 9 October – 10.00am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Mass** – *livestreamed*

12.00am – Immaculate Conception, Jedburgh – **Requiem Mass for Michael Ancram** (Fr Jock)

Thursday 10 October –

10.00am – St John's – **Requiem Mass for Robert Clark** – *livestreamed*

7.00pm-9.30pm – Mayfield Salisbury Church, 18 West Mayfield, EH9 1TQ – **Meeting of the *Edinburgh Circle of the Newman Association* – *Walking in the Winter of Life: Preparing for dying – the greatest adventure of our lives***

Friday 11 October – 9.30-9.55am – St Mary Magdalene’s – **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**
10.00am – St John’s – **Mass** – *livestreamed*

Saturday 12 October – 6.30pm – St John’s – **Vigil Mass** – *livestreamed*

Sunday 13 October – **28TH 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: <https://bit.ly/StJStMM>

In the Coming Weeks ... Two events related to the situation in the Middle East

Saturday 26 October – 10.30am-3.30pm – **ICAHD UK Edinburgh Conference**
Quaker Meeting House, Victoria Terrace, EH1 2JL – All Welcome

‘Israel’s war on Gaza captured the world’s attention. It revealed how complicit Western nations are in allowing Israel’s genocide to continue without regard for international law. It also brought millions of people of all ages and backgrounds out onto the streets, and university students out of classes and into campus encampments. At last Palestine has become a global issue connecting many other struggles.

Jeff Halper, an Israeli academic, past Nobel Peace Prize nominee and founder of the Israeli Committee against House Demolitions is speaking at an event along with other noted Palestinian and Israeli speakers and with Marian Pallister, chair of Pax Christi Scotland, who as an ex-journalist will be addressing the role of the media in Israel / Palestine issues. More information available later but as places are limited, people can register a place by going onto ICAHD UK website <https://icahd.org/> which has a link to Eventbrite (Bring your own food – Public £25, Members £20, Unwaged £15)

Fundraising Event for Palestine held by “Scottish medical aid for Palestinians”

Saturday 26 October – 10am-2pm – **Christ Church Hall – EH10 4DD – All Welcome**

Palestinian Food – Palestinian embroidery & crafts – MAP stall – Bric-a-brac – Book stall – Calligraphy – Henna – Auction – Arabic coffee – Coffee/tea – Home baking – Plant stall...PLEASE BRING CASH (there is a machine available nearby) – For more information: map.org.uk

AN EXCERPT FROM ‘DUDDINGSTON 900 MATTERS’ - the Duddingston Kirk Parish Magazine – for October

Letter from the Manse

‘Dear Friends,



Celebrating 900 years of our building’s history has brought with it some memorable occasions. Having Father Jock Dalrymple from St John’s & St Mary Magdalene was certainly an historic moment for Duddingston.

Father Jock became the first Catholic Priest to preach in Duddingston since the Reformation in the 16th century. And what a wonderful occasion this turned out to be with Chris Jones, a member of St John’s, writing a hymn for the occasion which we sang for the very first time.

I was invited to preach the following week at St John’s & St Mary Magdalene.

This involved preaching at three services. I was overwhelmed by the welcome at each service and the warmth and encouragement we received at what was being done.

In my 35 years of ministry this was the first time I had been invited to preach at a Catholic Church and I found it very moving. Quite a number of Duddingston members came to these services and I thank them for their support. I was particularly taken by those members of St John’s & St Mary Magdalene’s who went out of their way to tell me that their neighbour was a member of Duddingston. And Father Jock and I worked out that Duddingston has four members whose husbands are members of St John’s!

*Enter our Kirk, not as a stranger, because you belong here. Discover its history in every stone.
Rest a while and enjoy the peace of this place of prayer and worship.*

Rev Dr Jim Jack’

St Therese of Lisieux's 'Prayer of Abandonment'

*My God, I offer you
all I do today
for all the intentions and for the glory
of the Loving and Sacred Heart of Jesus.
I ask you to sanctify
Every beat of my heart;
my every thought;
my simplest works,
by uniting them all to His.*

'SAINT' OF THE WEEK - Agneta Chang (d.1950)

Maryknoll Sister and Martyr – Feast Day: 3 October

"I have tried innumerable times to write to you, but I cannot say how many times I took up my pen to begin a letter only to find that all turned black before me and I could not hold back the tears that blinded me."

– Sister Mary Peter Kang, O.L.P.H.



With these words a Korean nun began her account of the final days of Sister Agneta Chang, a Korean-born Maryknoll Sister, who died among her people in 1950.

From the early years of their foundation, the American-based Maryknoll Sisters welcomed foreign vocations. Agneta Chang and a younger cousin were among the first Korean Sisters to join in 1921. In her application to Maryknoll, Sister Agneta, answering a question about her reason for applying to a religious community, wrote, *"In order to become holy and then to help my country and people."* Agneta came from a prominent and devoutly Catholic family in Korea. Two of her older brothers were priests; a younger brother would later become Korean ambassador to the United States.

After spending her novitiate in the Maryknoll motherhouse in New York, Agneta was assigned to her own country. There she spent many peaceful years in catechetical and parish work before the outbreak of World War II. When the American Sisters were imprisoned by the Japanese and then repatriated, Sister Agneta stayed behind to help develop the first Korean women's congregation, *the Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help* (O.L.P.H.). For the duration of the war, she and the small community of twenty-nine young Korean women were cut off from the rest of the world.

When the war ended, and communication was resumed it was hoped that Sister Agneta would be reunited once again with her Maryknoll community. But it was not to be. Korea was divided at the 38th Parallel, trapping Sister Agneta and the novitiate in the Soviet-occupied North. By the time Russian troops departed in 1949 leaving Korean Communists in control, the situation had become particularly grave. Soon it was no longer possible even to smuggle messages to the outside. Many priests and even bishops were arrested and killed. After the government ordered the disbanding of all religious communities Sister Agneta and a companion, Sister Mary Peter, found refuge in a Catholic village.

For years Agneta had worn a back brace, the result of an old injury. She was in constant pain, and by now virtually bedridden. Nevertheless, she received word to report for mandatory civil defence work. When she could not comply, soldiers came looking for her. They ordered her neighbours to carry her outside and place her in a waiting ox cart. She made no complaint, but only exclaimed, *"Lord, have mercy on us."* It was October 4, 1950, the last time Sister Agneta was seen alive. As Sister Mary Peter described the scene,

The time was about eight in the evening. The world was wrapped in dusk. The only sound was that of the ox cart joggling down the quiet mountain trail together with the groaning and sound of her prayers. Oh miserable night! My heart seemed to shatter and break into a thousand pieces and it seemed pitiless to me that the ground did not cleave open.

While Sister Mary Peter and some other O.L.P.H. Sisters eventually made their way to the South, another twelve remained in the North, where their fate was never learned. Word was later received that Sister Agneta Chang and a number of other women had been shot. Their bodies were buried in a nearby ditch.

See: Penny Lernoux (with Arthur Jones and Robert Ellsberg), Hearts on Fire: The Story of the Maryknoll Sisters (Maryknoll, N.Y.: Orbis, 1993).

FROM ARCHBISHOP LEO'S AD CLERUM

Romero Lecture 2024 - Celebrating the witness and legacy of St Oscar Romero, martyred in 1980 in El Salvador, **Bishop Kenneth Nowakowski of the Ukrainian Catholic community in the UK will deliver this year's lecture on 'Romero and Ukraine: Resilience in the Face of Injustice'. Friday 18 October at 7pm at Sacred Heart Church, Lauriston Street, Edinburgh.** All welcome. In partnership with SCIAF, Justice and Peace Scotland, Pax Christi, and the Romero Trust.

All Souls' Day - Archbishop Cushley will offer Holy Mass for the repose of all the faithful departed who have died in the Archdiocese in the last year, especially those buried at Mount Vernon Cemetery in Edinburgh. This will take place on All Souls' Day, **Saturday 2 November**, at 10:00am in the Cemetery Chapel at Mount Vernon Cemetery, 49 Mount Vernon Rd, Edinburgh, EH16 6JG.

Rachel's Vineyard - A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held north of Glasgow on **1 - 3 November**. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more information, please call/text Sr Andrea on 07816 942824 or email at sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk. For more details, see www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk

Holy Year 2025 - Pope Francis declared that 2025 will be a Year of Jubilee. To help us prepare, the Archdiocese is hosting 'Pilgrimage of Hope' which will feature spiritual talks, pilgrim testimonies and more. It takes place at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on **Saturday 9 November** from 11:00am to 3:15pm. Register at bit.ly/holyyearevent

Youth Day – Wonder Woman St Margaret! - The Archdiocese is hosting a youth day for p4-p7 children at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on **Saturday 16 November** to coincide with the Feast of St Margaret. Includes games, talks and activities, concluding with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Leo. Register at <https://bit.ly/youthdaymargaret>

Ceilidh Ball - The national Young Adults' Ceilidh Ball that takes place at Central Hall, 2 West Tollcross, Edinburgh, EH3 9BP on **Saturday 16 November** at 7:00pm. Includes live band and buffet. Details and tickets (£40) at <https://bit.ly/edinburghceilidh> Queries: Fr Robert Taylor frrobert.taylor@staned.org.uk

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, a children's catechetical programme aimed at fostering your child's vital relationship with God and life in the Church, is commencing again at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Sessions are Fridays 1:30-3:00pm for 3–6-year-olds & Tuesdays 4:00-5:30pm for 6–9-year-olds. *Give your child the space to pray, seek God, and wonder.* Contact brodie.douglas-young@staned.org.uk for registration details.

New Sunday Missal - Starting on Sunday 1 December, an updated Lectionary will be used in all parishes. This means the readings at Mass will employ a slightly different translation of the Sacred Scriptures (the ESV-CE). The new Sunday Missal is available from various sites, including www.rpbooks.co.uk, www.ctsbooks.org and <https://www.hachette.co.uk/>

The Alma Mater Fund - The Alma Mater Fund provides financial support to pregnant students facing difficulties at universities in order to support them in pursuing their academic and personal goals. Through the work of the initiative, the Alma Mater Fund can also direct students to further sources of support and advice. Call, Text or WhatsApp: 07849 088244 or socials: @almamaterfund

Doctors' opposition to assisted suicide - A total of 82% of doctors responding to the Scottish Parliament Health Committee's detailed call for views on proposals to legalise assisted suicide have stated that they are 'strongly opposed' to the plans. Please let your MSPs know about this. More information on how to do this at: <https://rcpolitics.org/assisted-suicide/>

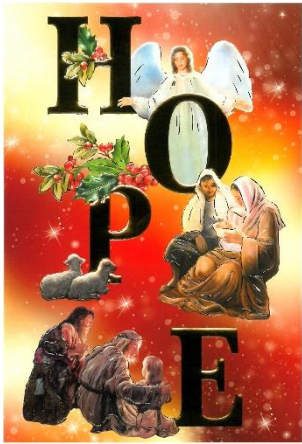
Events in the Archdiocese - for a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese visit <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>

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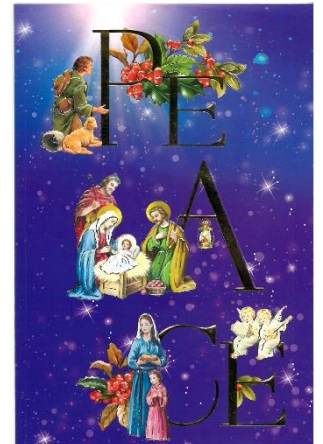
Contact details for the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP):
By phone or text: 07752682213 - email: svpedineast@gmail.com

Oral History Project update

Dianne Devlin writes: ‘We are moving forward with gathering our parishioners’ stories on the history of life in the two Parishes. **We are now looking for competent and skilled people who can help with editing and filming.** For further information, please do contact Dianne on 07715423914. Thank you.’



Christmas cards are now on sale at reasonable prices in St John's shop, please do come and support. Thank you



Artwork from the Portobello and Area Churches Together Holiday Club - on Tour

Danni Glass writes: ‘We are thrilled to welcome to St John’s and St Mary Magdalene’s a wonderful piece of artwork created at the PACT Holiday Club this summer. 78 children from 5 local churches contributed to this piece consisting of 4 banners which will be split between our 2 churches and will be on display throughout October.

The theme was ‘Deep Sea Divers’ and the children dove deep into the stories of Jesus in Matthew’s gospel from birth and baptism to his death and resurrection.

Please try to take a minute to admire the children’s fantastic work.’

The final paragraph of last week’s reflection on the Gospel – see top of page 7

Tesco has been selling large rugs for a month or two now. I think they are described as shagpile, which always strikes me as such an unfortunate description. This week I spotted, once more, a young family that I seem to bump into often. Twin daughters about three years of age at a guess, with a very protective older brother, maybe 9 or 10, and a mother with an abundance of love but clearly not a lot of cash. (When you’re as nosy as me you can surmise a great deal from someone’s trolley!). They were mid-purchase. The mother was loading a shagpile into her trolley with the help of her eldest. I had a lump as I watched his sisters’ tiny fingers playing with the grey shaggy tufts of acrylic/polyester, delight written all over their faces. I don’t know how much of a struggle it had been on the weekly budget, but I detected that the mother was fueling the fire of her love. Her daughters’ faces were ecstatic. I cannot alleviate the torment of the children of Gaza, I cannot get into the minds of the leaders of that land, no longer a Holy Land, but a land of torment and hatred and evil but I can be kind in Northumberland. Like many of you, I always buy some groceries for the foodbank collection point by the entrance. This week I bought a tub of Quality Street, some apples and the biggest bag of Haribo on offer. I followed them to the battered Ford Fiesta and helped with the struggle to load the shagpile into the cluttered boot. I asked the mother if she would accept my generosity. **If I remember, next week, I’ll tell you what happened next!** Suffice it to say, it is easy to be kind – bit by bit, second by second, minute by minute. Tomorrow can be happier, starting with today.

A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL FOR THE 27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – MARK 10:2-16

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

If I remember, next week, I'll tell you what happened next! So ended last week's episode of the 'Shag-Pile Saga.' [See bottom of page 6] A saga to equal 'The Forsyte Saga' and even surpass 'Downton Abbey' as an important tale. The 'mam' in question burst into tears. I was caught on the horns of a dilemma. By nature, I am what others refer to, as a 'touchy-feely' kind of person - but knew that such a gesture could well be misconstrued. Rather sweetly, her son, at the ripe age of no more than 9 or 10 stepped forward protectively, squaring his tiny shoulders at this stranger who had caused his mam to cry. 'I'm so sorry – I never wanted to upset you: I just thought it would help.' She was making noises which may have been words, but it was hard to tell amidst the flowing mucus, salty tears and rapid breathing. I couldn't flee – despite my self-preserving instincts. Each second presented itself as if a minute, and each minute as if an hour.... I was willing her into a calm place. People passed and stared and still her 9- or 10-year-old maintained his protective stance, while his sisters clung to their mother's skirt. Why, oh why did I get involved? Easy. It's more difficult NOT to be involved. To have passed by on the other side would have involved a conscious decision to numb my conscience – and you never know when you might need a conscience that is fully functioning! The whole episode reminded me of a conversation I'd recently had with John, our deaf postman. We manage to communicate with each other, if I raise the decibel level, and he lip reads! He told me of a colleague who was facing disciplinary action at work. His colleague had been mid-delivery and noticed a parcel on someone's doorstep that had been left at the incorrect house. Courier companies around here are invariably inefficient and never reliable. Thinking he was being helpful, he picked up the parcel and carried it back to his van to take it to the correct address. The video doorbell recorded him carrying the parcel away. A complaint followed and he was suspended pending investigation. Royal Mail have now introduced another protocol. In future, any parcel must be left untouched, and the owner of the house notified that there is a parcel on their doorstep. If they are not at home, then a note should be put through the door – snapping Jack Russell permitting! (the last bit of the protocol is my input, but it succeeded in sending John chuckling away to himself as he returned to his Postman Pat bright red van!).

If last week's Gospel left me disquieted with its admonition not to give scandal, then this week's discourse from Jesus on the thorny issue of divorce is equally unsettling. In ministry, I officiated at more than a handful of weddings I was certain would fail. Try as I might to dissuade, events and circumstances trumped my anxieties – sometimes matriarchal pressure, sometimes peer group expectations, other times mortgage heaviness and the financial burden of making ends meet drove them towards their wedding day – pure and freely given love was not always exclusively present. Often, I would be unsure of their readiness to make that mind-stretching commitment that was way beyond my emotional capability. I never derived any satisfaction from being proved right and always berated myself for not being stronger in trying to influence events. They may have been more preoccupied with having the best wedding day ever, than giving thought to the rows, small at first, but growing in frequency and magnitude that became part of their life together. In reality, I know many divorced people, all trying to make a more successful go of commitment in a second marriage. They are not inferior because of their divorced status. They are still loved by others – and more importantly, by God. They live with past pain, weaving it to the best of their ability with present-day joys and future expectations.

Perhaps shag-pile struggling mother is divorced, or widowed or separated or a victim of domestic abuse. She may not have been able to cope with the kindness of a strange 71-year-old man – but that does not excuse me from following my own conscience and doing what I knew to be the right thing to do. Postman John's colleague did the right thing. His kindness and diligence came at a cost. Currently suspended, the remainder of his colleagues now find themselves restricted by a new set of protocols. We can make a deliberate attempt to deaden or kill our own conscience – but an over preponderance of laws and protocols can remove our responsibility and awareness of how to react. But the words that bring Jesus' teaching alive is not his repetition of Moses' instruction on marriage but the phrase '*it was because you were so unteachable that Moses left this commandment for you*'. Laws and protocols serve a purpose, but they are as naught when compared to a pure heart. As the Psalmist wrote in Psalm 51: *A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me.* When hearts are pure, we instinctively know the correct course of action and we are no longer unteachable.

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently:

*Brid Cudlipp – Fred McGregor-
Izabela Maria Girczya – John Morton*

*Please pray for those whose
anniversaries occur around this time:*

*Nan Doig – Doug Welsh – Jerry Kinane
– Catherine Graham – Eileen Brown –
Sheila Alexander – Canon Jack Ward –
Joseph Muir*

*Please pray for those Parishioners
who are sick:*

St. John's:

Mairi O'Connor, Lesley O'Donnell, Gerry Cannon, Eddie Clark, Doreen Jones, Donald Oswald, Prisca Kemp, Mary Slight, Barbara Durkacz, Mike Noonan, Mike Fox, John McLaughlin, Celia Stone, Betty Dougal, John Lawler, Jimmy Curnyn, Charlotte McGregor, Mike and Patricia Lawler, David Reid, Ann O'Brien, Kathie Gallagher, Diane McCarthy, Margaret Duffy, Mike Burns, Harry Allan, May Thomson, Carol Simpson, Kenny O'Connor, Rose Thornton, John Whyte, Maria Pacitti, Ann Dobie, Chloe Sutherland, Ruth Vizor, Mary Grady, Pauli Walker, May Flynn, Vincent Knowles, young Saoirse Golden, Frances Cunningham, Sarah McManus, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Maureen Low, Norman Telfer, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers and Marie Angela Crolla.

St Mary Magdalene's:

Maureen Scott, Jean McNally, Bill McGeachie, Norrie Gibson, Monica Gorman, Aisha Montgomery, Tom Kay, John Flanagan, Eleanor Campanile, Mary McGovern (jnr), Carolynne McCann, Tom Bauld, Jacqueline Marinello, Sandra Watt, Chris English, Andrew Farmer, Maria Scott Jnr, Louise Gorman, Bridget Malone, Charles Malcolm, Margaret Ryan, Julie Keegan, Annie Watson, David O'Donnell, Jude Ferguson and James Muir.

Offertory 29 September 2024

St Mary Magdalene's, £199.65 total, including £114.65 Offertory and £85.00 Gift Aid.

St John's, this week **£1198.30 total**, including £237.90 Offertory, £277.40 Gift Aid, and £683.00 average weekly online donations.

Last week, **£1131.50 total**, including £203.10 Offertory, £245.40 Gift Aid, and £683.00 average weekly online donations.

Anniversaries:

St John's:

Oct.5: Margaret A Wilson (2005); Jerry Kinane (1994); Leonard Stovin; **Oct.6:** Catherine Graham (2020); Mary Laurie (2007); Lindsay Thomson (2003); Minnie McMullan (1984); Vincenza Leone (1982); Martha Flynn (1966); Joan Cullen; Mark Cunningham; **Oct.7:** David Brown (2007); Catherine Lamara (2004); Thomas Sharp (1989); John Loftus (1929); **Oct.8:** Katherine Wills (2010); Eva M Berry (1980); Donald O'Kane (1960); **Oct.9:** Nan Doig (2022); Steven Moffatt (2021); Begg family; **Oct.10:** Eileen Brown (2021); John Davies (2009); Alice Moran (1973); Kathleen Sharkey (1963); Ralph Osmond (1961); **Oct.11:** Sheila Alexander (2020); Juliann Roarty (1994); Thomas Bassi (1982); Canon John Ward (1977);

St Mary Magdalene's:

Oct.1: Isobel Banks (2005); Joseph Muir (1998);

*Please pray for sick friends and relatives of
our Parishioners:*

Ann Thorp, Sean Devine, Anne Claveirole, Sr Helen McLaughlin, Revd Peter Millar, Katie McAnenny, Ann Dooley, Ewa Kiersztejn, Jim Gray, Veronica Monbieni, Revd Jim Jack, Fr John McFadden OMI, Revd Bill Wishart, Amparo Serrano, James Shepherd, Alison St Clair Ford, Caitriona Stark, Margaret Meek, Fernando Cervantes, Pat O'Kelly, Angela Whyte, Mike Foy, Jean Cooper, Kirsty McCrimmon, Noel Power, Chris Frost, Lynda Young, Mary McCormack, Helen Bird, Sheila Laughlin, Diana Williams, Helen Campbell, Coralie Isherwood, Mr Mega, young Zachary Cowie, Edith and Bill Edgar, Shirley Robertson, Catherine Princess of Wales, King Charles, Monique Kopp, Mary Lyons, Elizabeth McKenzie, Michael McKean, Steven Thornton, Ann Fleming, Marna Clarke, Eugene Feehan, Mag Farnon, Ann Currie, Jacob Green (aged 13), Pat Campanile, Jill Harvey, Mireille McNab (aged 13), Michelle Lee, Michael Daly, Roger Bromley, Richard Reid, Douglas Edington, Anne Morris, Dr Grier Gordon, Rose May Mattison, Saramma Samuel, Peter Robinson, Peter Hanley, Kate Titterington, Helen Robertson, baby Josh Simpson, Tom Heeney, Tish Deacon, Elizabeth McGrath and Granny Elizabeth, John Havard, Ellen Green, Sophie Robinson, Louise Young, Harriet Wingfield Digby (aged 11), Alan Proudlock, Evelyn Walsh, Grace Stuart, David Fenwick, Hans Zaunbrecher, Judith Franklin, Clare Johnston, Mary and Derek Lamarque, Keiran Smart (aged 16), Michael Doherty, Jean Wylie, Angela Khan, Tara Kuppinger, Charlotte O'Brien, young Martha Moyes (aged 7), Jennifer Kay, Seval and Kazim Kazimoglu, Jan Meise, Tony Rigg, Stuart Falconer, Elizabeth and Gordon Marron, John Kellagher, Dani Miniette, Sr Margaret Mary, Betty Blyth, Lauren Fitzpatrick, Michael Igoe, Clare Richardson, James O'Rourke, Andrew Franklin, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.