

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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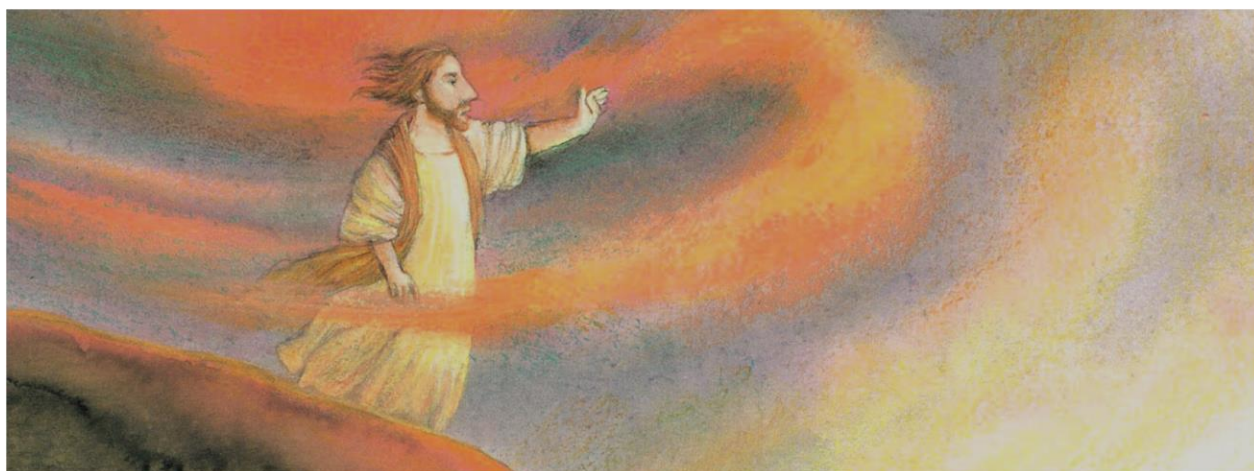
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18 FEBRUARY 2024 - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



"The Spirit drove Jesus into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him."

(Mark, 1.12-15)

Congratulations to the Candidates and the Catechumen in our RCIA Group

Our RCIA group – for those interested in becoming fully initiated Catholics - has been meeting since October. We have completed the first two stages - Enquiry and Catechumenate – and begin the third stage – the Lenten time of Preparation for Baptism or Reception at the Easter Vigil on 30 March – with the Rite of Election at the Cathedral this Sunday, 18 February, when all the catechumens and candidates from all over the archdiocese gather with Archbishop Cushley. (Catechumens are those preparing for baptism, candidates are those preparing for reception into the Catholic Church and/or the ‘sacraments of initiation’, baptism, confirmation and eucharist, that they have not yet received).

Please pray for our two catechumens, **Anushka Kalatunga** and **Matthew Dalziel**, and our five candidates, **Danni Glass**, **Evan Glass**, **Gillian Harvey**, **Rachel Berry** and **Rob Holden**, who will celebrate the Rite of Pre-Inscription at the 11.15 Mass this Sunday at St Mary Magdalene’s before setting off for the Cathedral along with their catechists and sponsors.

There is a Leaving Collection this Sunday to launch our parishes’ fundraising for the StekaSkills Women’s Hostel just outside Blantyre in Malawi... **Gerry Power** writes: ‘I appreciate that there will be a number of calls for alms-giving during the Lenten period and that there are many good causes worthy of support. St John’s and St Mary Magdalene’s parishioners have in the past been extremely generous in their support of STEKA and in giving alms. During Lent you may wish to consider supporting the Women’s Hostel Fund. It is impossible to emphasise the difference a Hostel will make to the security and safety of women attending STEKA vocational skills centres, many of whom are vulnerable and have to travel long distances to reach the centres. We have an opportunity here to really make a difference.

More information on the need for a women's hostel is available on the Steka website (Steka.com). Baskets will be available at the back of the Church, and we hope to have card readers available for digital payments.'

In addition, in a week's time, there is a jazz cabaret - "Roving Mad" – with all the proceeds going to the Hostel (Saturday 24 February, 8.00pm, St John's Church Hall - (1h 15min, doors open at 7.30pm) – Jazz cabaret style seating. BYOB (soft drinks provided)

'Roving Mad (Travel to Odd Places in Story and Song) had a highly successful run in the 2023 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 travel to odd places, accompanied by songs chosen for the poetry of their lyrics, their rhythm and their melody. **Tickets** £12 from Jeremy Thorp: 07900 278043, jdt121@btinternet.com or Eventbrite (The Swells): <https://bit.ly/3vNYaLd>

Fr Jock will also be undertaking a sponsored slim for the Women's Hostel – if you feel able to sign up to support him, there will be sheets at the back of both churches.

This Monday there is the monthly **Charity Coffee Morning** at 10.30am in St John's Hall – proceeds to **Aid to the Church in Need**.

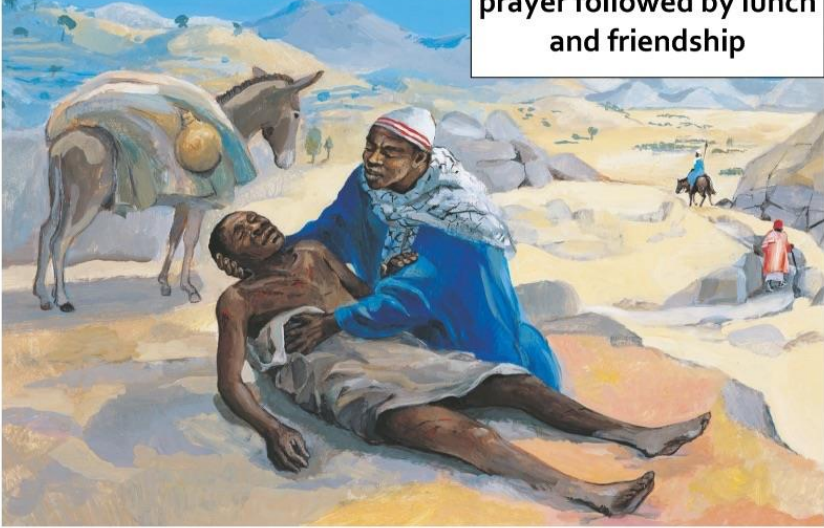
THIS WEEK WE ARE CELEBRATING THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY (postponed from January) – LUNCHTIME PRAYER, SOUP AND SANDWICHES

Go and do likewise

19-23 February
at 12.30 every day


Please join all the churches of Portobello

Daily short services of prayer followed by lunch and friendship



Monday 19:	St Mary Magdalene's, Bingham Avenue
Tuesday 20:	St Mark's Church, 287 Portobello High Street
Wednesday 21:	Portobello & Joppa Parish Church, Brunstane Road North
Thursday 22:	Portobello Baptist Church, 189 Portobello High Street
Friday 23:	St John the Evangelist, Brighton Place

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024
www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer



Back to Basics with...the Alpha Programme – starting next Sunday 25 February

Bronagh Power writes: ‘Are you looking for something to do during Lent? Join a series of group conversations that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. At each Alpha session, you’ll be part of a small group and watch an episode on a different question of faith – then you have a chance to share your thoughts and hear what others think. You can say anything you like, or nothing at all. Everyone’s welcome but you’re invited!

The actual course starts at 6.30pm next Sunday 25 February in St John’s Hall.... you can sign up for it from today. (Postcards will be given out for those who want them – or want to pass them on to someone else - this weekend). Do sign up on the lists at the back of either church – **or email Bronagh Power on bronaghpower11@gmail.com**

Lenten Series – “Whatsoever You do to the least of my sisters or brothers, you do unto me ...” (Matthew 25:40)

During Lent this year we will be focusing on an important theme raised during our synodality conversations - How we can be more inclusive of people who are marginalised in society or made to feel unwelcome in the church? Many people in the synodality events commented that Jesus emphasised reaching across the barriers that exclude people. The parable of the Good Samaritan is a powerful example.

A small group has been meeting with Fr Jock to look at plans for a Lent programme to help us become better informed about those communities and people that find themselves marginalised by society, including by the church.

So, during Lent this year we are holding 5 evening meetings to look at this topic and to deepen our understanding. The title for these talks is taken from the parable of the sheep and the goats in Matthew chapter 25:40 - “Whatsoever you do to the least ...” This parable tells us that Jesus meets us among those who seem most ‘outside of’ society.

Each meeting will look in a positive way at the inclusion of a particular group. We will have speakers who are directly involved who will share their experiences – of both joy and challenge.

These evening meetings will be at 7.00pm in the Parish House starting this Thursday 22 February and run weekly until 21 March.

The topic this week will be: ‘L’Arche - living with those who are disabled by society.’

And the topics for the coming weeks will be:

- 29 Feb: LGBTQIA - how to promote a sense of belonging for this community.
- 7 Mar: Bethany Care Van and Welcome Centre - providing meals for those who are homeless.
- 14 Mar: Host families - welcoming and supporting refugees.
- 21 Mar: Multicultural family Base - working with diverse and minoritised children and families.

HOUSE GROUPS FOR ‘THE CHOSEN’

*One of our other Lenten initiatives will focus on **The Chosen** - we have organised **three house groups** that will meet to look at different episodes and then discuss them...again sign-up sheets available at the back of both churches (though the Wednesday evening group is now full) – **or email the leaders....***

Monday – 7pm – 2 Eskside East, Musselburgh EH21 7RU - **led by Diane Devlin, and hosted by Catrina McGillivray** - (ddevlin2@icloud.com)

Wednesday 7pm - 38 Milton Road West EH15 1LE - **led by Sheila Tansey and hosted by Joyce Martin**

Friday – 7pm - 47/6 Pittville St, EH15 2 BX - **led and hosted by Agnieszka Kiersztein** (agnieszka.kiersztein@gmail.com)

(THE CHOSEN is an historical drama based on the life of Jesus Christ seen through the eyes of those who knew him. Set against the backdrop of Roman oppression in first-century Israel, the various episodes are based on the Gospels and offer an authentic and intimate look at Jesus’ life and teachings. While some locations and timelines have been combined or condensed this use of artistic imagination is designed to support the intention of the Scriptures....)

SCIAF - WEE BOX, BIG CHANGE appeal.

On Ash Wednesday, SCIAF launched the WEE BOX, BIG CHANGE appeal. *Last year, our two sister Parishes raised £735.00 to help improve life in Zambia. This year's Lent appeal focuses on communities in Rwanda.* In April 1994, 100 days of mass genocide began in Rwanda. Thirty years on, Rwanda and its people are still recovering from the genocide that ripped their country apart and the deep trauma it left behind. In Rwanda, many women and girls suffer directly from gender-based violence. Your donations, prayers and actions make a real and lasting difference in their lives. This Lent, use your WEE BOX to make a BIG CHANGE. To find out more please visit <https://bit.ly/49nqp1S> or call 0141 354 5555.

From the Legion of Mary: 'During Lent from Wednesday 21 February, the Legion of Mary leads Stations of the Cross in St John's Church after Mass each week. The Rosary at Our Lady's altar will continue on Fridays after Mass, praying for a change in attitudes to abortion. Please join us for these devotions.'

THIS WEEK

Saturday 17 February

11.00-4.00pm – St John's Hall – **Parish Marriage Preparation Day**
4.00pm – Parish House – **Training Meeting for 'The Chosen' House Group Leaders**
6.30pm – St John's – **Vigil Mass** – *livestreamed*

Sunday 18 February – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

9.30am – St John's – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Mass** – *livestreamed* – with **RCIA Rite of Pre-Inscription**
12.00pm – St Mary's Cathedral – **RCIA Rite of Election with Catechumens and Candidates**
from the whole Archdiocese

Monday 19 February

10.00am – St John's Hall – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
10.40am – St John's Hall – **February Charity Coffee Morning** – donations to 'Aid to the Church in Need'
12.30pm – St Mary Magdalene's, Bingham Avenue – **Lunchtime Prayer for Christian Unity – and Soup and Sandwiches**
7.00pm – 2 Eskside East, Musselburgh - **'The Chosen' House Group**, led by Diane Devlin
7.00pm – Zoom – **Gospel Sharing** – click [HERE](#) or type <https://bit.ly/3UH9QcX>

Tuesday 20 February

12.30pm – St Mark's Episcopal Church, 287 Portobello High St - **Lunchtime Prayer for Christian Unity – and Soup and Sandwiches**
7.00pm – Parish House - **Mass** – *livestreamed*
7.45pm – Parish House – **RCIA** - Lent 1

Wednesday 21 February

10.00am – St John's Hall – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
10.35am – St John's – Stations of the Cross (led by the Legion of Mary)
12.30pm – Portobello and Joppa Parish Church, Brunstane Rd North - **Lunchtime Prayer for Christian Unity – and Soup and Sandwiches**
7.00pm – 38 Milton Rd West - **'The Chosen' House Group**, led by Sheila Tansey

Thursday 22 February

10.00am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
12.30pm – Portobello Baptist Church 289, Portobello High St - **Lunchtime Prayer for Christian Unity – and Soup and Sandwiches**
6.00pm – Parish House – **Preparation for Parish Children's First Reconciliation**
7.00pm – Parish House – **Lent Group meeting – first night: L'Arche**

Friday 23 February

10.00am – St John's Hall – **Mass** – *livestreamed*
12.30pm – St John's - **Lunchtime Prayer for Christian Unity – and Soup and Sandwiches**

7.00pm – 47/6 Pittville St, EH15 2 BX - ‘**The Chosen**’ House Group - led and hosted
by Agnieszka Kiersztejn.

Saturday 24 February

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

8.00pm – St John’s Hall – **Roving Mad (The Swells \\ in concert)**

Sunday 25 February – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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

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

6.30pm – St John’s Hall – **Alpha Program** – **first night**



View the **links for the Masses** by visiting our webpage: <https://bit.ly/StJStMM>

IN THE COMING WEEKS

Saturday 9 March – 10am-1.00pm – St Mary’s, Leith - **Cluster Lenten Retreat, led by the new parish priest of St Mary’s (whom we warmly welcome) Fr Ray Warren OMI** – do sign up on the list at the back of both churches.

Saturday/Sunday 16/17 Sunday – **RECONCILIATION SUNDAY (with several priests available to celebrate reconciliation at the start of each Mass)**

NOTICEBOARD

We continue to hold in our hearts those who are suffering – and all those who have lost their lives, or been held hostages – not only in Gaza and Israel but also in the war in Ukraine, and indeed in all the wars and conflicts in our world...

Contact details for the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP):

By phone or text: 07752682213 - email: svpedineast@gmail.com



Phyllis McLeay writes: ‘**A request for washable nappies, baby and toddler clothes continues** – in aid of a local maternity hospital in Africa. Donations can be handed in to the Parish House. Thank you to those who have already given so generously’.

Foodbanks – A message from the Parishes’ Justice & Peace Group

‘Are you giving up something for Lent? Often, we think of giving up an item of food or drink. For some people that is not a choice as they struggle every day to afford food and household essentials.

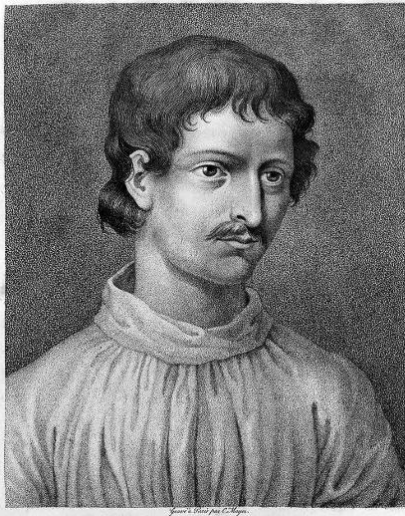
There are **two foodbanks in our area** that deal with people who are desperately short of the essentials. These are located at *Wilson Memorial Church, Portobello* and the *Thistle Centre in Craigmillar*. These foodbanks help people in dire circumstances who are referred by agencies such as Social Services, the Health Service or the Edinburgh City Mission. The J&P Group will donate some of what is needed and take the goods to the foodbanks on a regular basis. However, to help meet the huge need for supplies, we wondered if parishioners would like to donate goods, or money to buy goods. We are putting this note on the newsletter to let people know the type of goods needed and update that regularly. *Goods can be left in either of our churches, money donations can be given to Jim Roarty, Jennifer Morris and any other member of the J&P Group or handed into the Parish House.*

Type of goods needed – breakfast cereals, soup, pasta, rice, pasta sauce, other cooking sauces, baked beans, other tinned beans, tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned vegetables, stock cubes, instant mash, UHT milk, tea, coffee, sugar, tinned dessert, jam and biscuits. Toilet paper, household cleaning materials, toothpaste, soap etc. is also welcome. Thank you. Another note, our **Christmas Buy a Bed appeal** helping to support financially the Welcome Centre raised **£1057**, for which generosity, grateful thanks. Our parishes are among those providing a hot meal for the homeless using the Welcome Centre; so far, we have done this on 12 evenings with another 8 scheduled before the Centre closes at the end of April. Thank you’

‘SAINT’ OF THE WEEK – Giordano Bruno

Cosmologist and Martyr (1548-1600) - Feast Day: 17 February

“The wise soul fears not death, rather she sometimes strives for death, so goes beyond to meet her. Yet eternity maintains her substance throughout me, immensity throughout space, universal form throughout motion.”



Giordano Bruno was one of the first human beings to intuit and thus consciously occupy the universe in its full immensity. Thus, he seemed to his contemporaries to be like an alien from a different world. And so they killed him.

Bruno was born in the town of Nola, near Naples, Italy. He entered the Dominican order at the age of seventeen and proceeded through the usual course of studies and preparation for final vows. In the Dominicans he received an eclectic education in the classics, philosophy, and theology, the subject in which he eventually earned a doctorate. He acquired a reputation as a brilliant scholar, widely envied for his extraordinary powers of memory. But he was also reputed to be something of an iconoclast, attracted to suspect philosophical and scientific speculations, and insufficiently deferential to authority. After eleven years he found the mental constraints of the monastery too oppressive. So, he put off his

religious habit and became an itinerant scholar.

In the next years Bruno travelled widely and published extensively on such themes as logic, the science of memory, mathematics, and philosophy. He lectured in England, Paris, and other parts of the Continent. His most controversial work was in the area of cosmology. It was only a few years since Copernicus had published his work challenging the ancient view of the Earth as the centre of the universe. Bruno believed that Copernicus had not developed the full cosmological implications of this insight. He postulated the idea of an infinite universe with an infinity of worlds, many of them, perhaps, populated with creatures as intelligent as ourselves. He suggested furthermore that in the future human beings might develop means of traveling through space and visiting these other worlds. Such opinions generated a good deal of ridicule. But there were church authorities who took Bruno's views much more seriously.

In 1592 while visiting Venice, Bruno was denounced as a heretic before the local Inquisition. He found himself under arrest. No doubt he hoped the matter would be quickly resolved; he had, after all, never engaged in theological controversy. Instead, he entered into a Kafkaesque ordeal of endlessly repeated interrogations that lasted for eight years. During this time, he was eventually consigned to the Inquisition in Rome, and so spent much of this period confined to a dank dungeon. A series of alleged heretical propositions was drawn from Bruno's writings. He persistently denied the meaning attached to these sentences, taken out of context from his work. The charge that most seriously outraged the court was his idea of an infinite universe.

On February 8, 1600, Bruno was declared to be *"an impenitent and pertinacious heretic and therefore to have incurred all the ecclesiastical censures and pains of the Holy Canon, the laws and the constitutions, both general and particular, imposed on such confessed impertinent pertinacious and obstinate heretics."* His books and papers were publicly burned in the square of St. Peter. And he was then turned over to the "secular arm" for punishment. Before his execution Bruno addressed his judges: *"Perchance you who pronounce my sentence are in greater fear than I who receive it."* On February 17, he was publicly burned before a cheering mob.

In later centuries Bruno was acclaimed as a champion of intellectual freedom against the forces of intolerance. In a deliberate snub to the Vatican, the republican government of Rome erected a statue in his honour in the square where he was burned. Bruno did not regard himself as a *"free thinker,"* but as a devout Christian who believed there was no disrespect to the Creator in trying to fathom the infinite mysteries of creation.

*See Dorothea Waley Singer, Bruno: His Life and Thought (New York: Henry Schuman, 1950).
From Robert Ellsberg's All Saints, 1997*

A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - Mark 1: 12-15

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

Reaction to these efforts is always sporadic and varied. A common theme from Last week's effort was just how much the season of Lent is an unwelcome, if necessary, guest – much akin to my trip last week to the hygienist in my dental practice. It must be done. No matter how smiley and friendly my Latvian friend is, she cannot disguise the discomfort that is heading my way. 'If it becomes too much just raise your left hand and I can give you a break!' Now, I'm a man. I'm a macho man. In any case what is the point of taking a break if she is just going to start up again? Not another Lent? I don't think I benefited from last year. What's the point?

I'm a bit of a 'News' addict. When I want un-sanitised coverage of the goings on in Gaza, I watch Al Jazeera. When it becomes too much I switch to CNN, or France24, or on occasion Sky News. GB News induces catatonic schizophrenia and is avoided on the advice of my cardiologist. Kay Burley, the Breakfast News presenter on Sky, is a marmite figure. She excelled herself this week. She had been interviewing one of the shadow cabinet on the issue of anti-Semitism in the Labour Party. The shadow minister told her that the Labour Party was not a party of saints. She was gob smacked! Her gaster had been well and truly flabbered. Later, she referred to the exchange in these terms: 'In a massive own goal, and in what will surely be a gift to the Tories, Labour have announced that they are not a party of saints.' What was a source of incredulity to her, was a source of great relief to me, for I am a fully paid-up member of the Labour Party (though on Pensioner Rates) and I AM A SINNER. Phew! I am welcome in the Party of my choice.

I have always been a devotee of the self-denial discipline of Lent. Self-Denial drives the distractions from my life. When they go, and because nature abhors a vacuum, the grace of God comes to fill the void. God comes rushing in. God exposes aspects of my nature that I prefer not to think about or dwell on. God reminds me of my sinfulness – not in a condemnatory way but in an illuminatory way. My sinfulness is welcomed by the Labour Party and a recognition of my sinfulness guarantees that I will nestle in God's bosom. Like the tax collector sitting at the back of the Temple, we intone *God be merciful to me a sinner*. God urges me: 'To thine own self be true! Don't bother with the photo-shopped you, forget the Botox and the lip plumping – just be you. I love you as you are. When you are you, then you and I can achieve great things – beginning with your development and perfection. Remove pretence from your life.'

We are presented with a noticeably short Gospel passage to commence our Lenten sojourn. Mark tells us quite simply that with only wild beasts and angels for company, Jesus goes into the wilderness to journey into himself – to learn more of who he was and how he would best fulfil his Father's will. There is no reference to the fasting found in Matthew and Luke – but the journey inwards is definitely there. He pits his wits against Satan. We don't mention Satan as often as we should but random stabbings, acid attacks and apparently motive-less mass shootings remind us of the baser nature of human life. Satan is even more powerful than ever. Valentines Day saw the 46th day of 2024 and the 50th mass shooting the United States – our nearest cultural neighbour. Satan is alive and kicking. Perhaps you're still not attracted by the self-denial aspect of Lent. So here is a different attack line for you. It's from the *JUST FOR TODAY* card that I carry everywhere. It's part of my armoury in my battle with alcohol. It carries little prompts: *Just for today I will try to strengthen my mind. I will study. I will not be a mental loafer.* A second prompts: (and this is the killer that always knocks the stuffing out of me): *Just for today, I will be agreeable, criticise not one bit, not find fault with anything and not try to improve or regulate anybody **except myself**.* Does this remind you of splinters and planks? May you have a happy and fruitful Lent.

PARISH REGISTER

Please pray for those who have died recently:

*Joe Hagan – Tony Lawson
Mary and Jimmy Foley*

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

*Robert Cammack – John Newall
Gerry Power (snr) – Una O'Reilly –
John Dunn – Margaret Cheyne –
Mary Robertson*

Anniversaries:

St John's:

Feb.17: Patrick Hughes (2011); May Lacey (1941); **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);

St Mary Magdalene's:

Feb.17: David Walker (2005); **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);

Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:

St. John's:

Robert Clark, Eddie Clark, Ian Thompson, John Carr, John Lawler, Christina Wilson, Jimmy Curnyn, John Cregan, Pat Gilmartin, Charlotte and Fred McGregor, Baby Grayson McNally, Irene Flynn, Mike and Patricia Lawler, Anne Thomson, David Reid, Ann O'Brien, Kathie Gallagher, Diane McCarthy, Raymond Walker, Margaret Duffy, Mike Burns, Harry Allan, May Thomson, Carol Simpson, Kenny O'Connor, Rose Thornton, Mike Noonan, John Whyte, Maria Pacitti, Ann Dobie, Sheelagh Dobson, Chloe Sutherland, Ruth Vizor, Mary Grady, Pauli Walker, May Flynn, Vincent Knowles, young Saoirse Golden, Frances Cunningham, Betty Dougal, Sarah McManus, Sr Jennifer Lindsay, Maureen Low, Mary Slight, Norman Telfer, Erin Corbett, Roz Byers and Marie Angela Crolla.

St Mary Magdalene's:

Monica Gorman, Sam Burns, Aisha Montgomery, Eleanor Campanile, John McLaughlin, 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.

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:

Lochie Murray, Canon Andrew Monaghan, Jim Gray, Michael McKean, Steven Thornton, Ann Fleming, Marna Clarke, Raymond McCabe, Eugene Feehan, Mag Farnon, Ann Currie, Jacob Green (aged 13), Pat Campanile, Jill Harvey, Barbara Duff, Stephen Hirt, Mireille McNab (aged 13), Michelle Lee, Fiona and George McDermott, Michael Daly, Roger Bromley, Richard Reid, Douglas Edington, Anne Morris, Dr Grier Gordon, Nessa Campbell, Mike Fox, Rose May Mattison, Brian Gurney, Alec Robb, Shirley Robertson, Miranda McDonnell, Mary Madden, John Wiggins, Lucy Pagett, John Curran, Saramma Samuel, Peter Robinson, Peter Hanley, Kate Titterington, Helen Robertson, baby Josh Simpson, 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 10), Alan Proudlock, Evelyn Walsh, Grace Stuart, Stephen Norwood, Agnes Clarke, David Fenwick, Maurice McAllister, Rita Noonan, 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, Tara Kuppinger, Charlotte O'Brien, young Martha Moyes (aged 6), Jennifer Kay, Seval and Kazim Kazimoglu, Ann Watt (Mgr Rae's sister), Jan Meise, Tony Rigg, Stuart Falconer, 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, James O'Rourke, Tommy Muir, James Shepherd, Andrew Franklin, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.

Offertory 11 February 2024

St Mary Magdalene's, £374.65 total, including
£183.65 Offertory and £191.00 Gift Aid.

St John's, £426.68 total, including £315.28 Offertory,
£111.40 Gift Aid, and £765.00 online donations.

THANK YOU!