

THE PARISHES OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST AND ST MARY MAGDALENE

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR



"Take the fig tree as a parable... But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father."
(Taken from Mark 13:24-32)

Today is The Eighth World Day of the Poor – a celebration initiated on the third Sunday in November by Pope Francis in 2017 – **with the theme** (taken from the book of Sirach/Ecclesiasticus) – **'The prayer of the poor rises up to God.'** In our two parishes, we will focus on a book recently published by DLT called **'The Song of the Poor'**.



- Fr Tommy gives his mum holy communion at his ordination Mass at St John's, in 1980...
- Giving a lecture in Edinburgh in 2010.....
- As a young priest in Central America.....
- As an even younger seminarian at the Scots College in Valledolid, in Spain.

The Song of the Poor is a collection of the writings of **Fr Tommy Greenan**, a former St John's parishioner who died in 2020, written while he was working in El Salvador in the 1980's and 1990's during a brutal Civil War. **Pat Dishon**, a parishioner who knew the Greenan family well as Tommy was growing up, and kept in regular contact with him, will speak about her memories of Tommy at all our Masses. Members of Tommy's

family will also join us – as for the 9.30am Mass will **Tom Johnstone**, who will describe how he edited the book. Copies of the book will be available to purchase at the end of each Mass in the church halls – where **Tim McConville**, who worked with Tommy for 10 years in El Salvador, will also speak (after both morning Masses). See also <https://amzn.eu/d/4Dg7ypB>

There will be a leaving collection, too – as requested by Archbishop Cushley - for elderly Christians in need in Palestine. Our donations will be given directly to **the Beit Afram Home for the Elderly**, so that elderly people living amidst the violence of war and in need of care are not abandoned and that their costs to live with dignity are covered. Please continue to pray for peace in the Middle East. Find out more at www.lpj.org/en

Tonight at 7.00pm in St John's Hall, there will be **the second St John's OPEN PARISH MEETING** of the year. **Please come if you can – these the two most important parish meetings in the year** as we reflect together on where we go as a parish...it will be followed as always by a party with a buffet. All welcome...

Next Sunday, the Feast of Christ the King, we warmly welcome St Mark's Episcopalian Church, who will be celebrating their Sunday Eucharist in St John's at 11am each Sunday over the coming months while St Mark's is being renovated. They will also be joining us for tea and coffee in St John's Hall after our Mass – and before their Eucharist.

The Feast of Christ the King - is also one of our two 'Nemetag Sundays' in the Year. And at the **Vigil Mass** we welcome **The Slavonic Choir** who will sing two pieces during the Mass and offer a short recital after it

Mirjam MacQueen writes: 'Originally the choir was called The Russian Choir of Edinburgh, more recently The Slavonic Choir - we are a group of 8 female voices (when everyone is present), conducted by Vladimir Morozov. He and his singer wife Valentyna are Russian, the rest of us are simply enthusiasts for the music, living in or close to Portobello where we rehearse in the St John's church hall. We have pieces from Chesnokov's Liturgy in our current repertoire.

The post-communion reflection will be a Cherubic Hymn with the text having the following meaning: "Let us who mystically represent the Cherubim, and who sing the thrice holy hymn to the life creating Trinity, now lay aside all cares of this life. Amen."

The recital at the end would consist of 5 or so pieces from the Liturgy, and last about 15 minutes.

People would obviously be free to leave at the end of Mass if they wish.

We are very much amateur, but wanted to contribute something to the church where we have been rehearsing for a number of years - who knows, perhaps new singers may be inspired to join...(What do you do on a Monday night?)

The next Baptism Preparation Course will take place this **Thursday 21 November** and **Thursday 28 November** at 7.30pm in the Parish House. If you would like a child baptised, please make contact asap with Fr Jock

An Invitation from the J&P Group - Your Christmas present problem sorted out!

As usual, your friendly neighbourhood J&P Group is on hand to solve the problem of what to get for people who already have everything – and the beauty of the solution is that, in the process, you are helping people who have almost nothing!

Bethany Buy-a-Bed: For just £25, you can buy a Gift Card to give to someone, telling them that this gift is enough to cover the cost of a homeless person getting a bed in the Bethany Overnight Welcome Centre as well as access to housing guidance, mental and physical health support in addition to the many other professional support services available at the Welcome Centre.

To buy a bed, ask Jim Roarty, Jennifer Morris or any member of the J&P Group. Alternatively, buy online at bethanychristiantrust.com/buy-a-bed

SCIAF Real Gifts. Think how pleased your friends and family will be to receive a gift of a flock of chickens, a goat or a vegetable garden! As usual, we have a stock of gifts aimed at helping people suffering poverty,

famine, lack of clean water and so many other problems. As in previous years, these gifts come in the form of an attractive gift card explaining the benefits of your gift for those who will receive the support of SCIAF. **We will be selling SCIAF Real Gifts after all the weekend Masses 30 Nov/1 Dec and 7/8 Dec.** Don't worry about not having enough cash – all major credit/debit cards accepted! Also online at shop.sciaf.org.uk. Also, we have a stock of tastefully designed **SCIAF Christmas cards** at £4.50 for a pack of 10. These can be obtained from Jennifer Morris or Jim Roarty.

Please pray for the priests of the archdiocese, meeting in Assembly for 24 hours in the Marine Hotel in North Berwick from 4pm Wednesday 21 November to 4pm Thursday 22 November.

Our next Eucharistic Ministers' Training Course will take place at 7.30pm in St John's Hall on **Monday 2 December, Thursday 5 December and Monday 16 December.** If you would like to recommend someone to serve in this way, either giving out communion at Mass or taking communion to the housebound (or both), please contact Fr Jock, Deacon Eddie or either of our two pastoral assistants, Chris Vinestock and Jennifer Morris.

THIS WEEK

Saturday 16 November – Feast of St Margaret of Scotland

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

Sunday 17 November – 33RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – World Day of the Poor

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

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

7.00pm – St John's Hall – **St John's Open Parish Meeting**

Monday 18 November - 6.45pm – 2 Eskside East – House Group – The Chosen (Series 2)

7.00pm – St John's – **Bereavement Mass** – *livestreamed*

Tuesday 19 November

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

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

7.45pm – Parish House – **RCIA Enquiry Evening 5**

Wednesday 20 November - 10.00am – St John's – Mass – *livestreamed*

Thursday 21 November

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

7.30pm – Parish House – **Baptism Preparation Course Evening 1**

Friday 22 November - 10.00am – St John's – Mass – *livestreamed*

12 midday – St Peter's, Morningside – **Requiem Mass for Fr Gordon Brown**

7.30pm – Parish House – **St John's Primary School Staff Mass and Meal**

Saturday 23 November - 6.30pm – St John's – Vigil Mass – *livestreamed*

Sunday 24 November – FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING (Name Tag Sunday)

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

11.00am – St John's – **St Mark's Episcopalian Eucharist**

11.15am – St Mary Magdalene's – **Mass** – *livestreamed* – with silver wedding renewal of vows of Francis and Inviolata

2.00pm – St John's – **Baptism of James Johnston and Keaton Gallagher**

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



IN THE COMING WEEKS

Monday 25 November – 7.30pm – Mayfield Salisbury Church – Forgiveness: an Exploration (Fr Jock)

Thursday 27 November – 5.30pm-8.30pm - St John's Hall – Festive Fashion Sale (all proceeds to *Smart Works Scotland* who help unemployed people into work by providing interview clothing and coaching).

Friday 29 November – 7.00pm – St John's - J&P St Andrew's Night Concert

Blessed Elizabeth of the Trinity reflects on Prayer
*I plunge into Infinity
 Dive into my Patrimony
 In this profound immensity
 As in eternity
 My soul is blessed
 With the Trinity I rest.*

‘SAINT’ OF THE WEEK – Blessed Elizabeth of the Trinity (1880-1906)

Discalced Carmelite, mystic and spiritual writer – **Feast Day: 9 November**

“I have found heaven on earth, since heaven is God, and God is in my soul.”



A French Carmelite who lived a short life at around the same time as St Thérèse of Lisieux, Elizabeth invites comparison with her far more famous contemporary. Physically their sufferings were similar - early deaths from wasting diseases that were incurable at the time, which both endured with extraordinary courage: tuberculosis in Thérèse's case, Addison's disease in Elizabeth's. They shared a deep conviction that their destiny lay in heaven, which for Elizabeth was home and rest, for Thérèse a new place from which to work. Both were conscious that their gifts and their sufferings, both coming from God, marked them out for a special destiny.

Elizabeth Catez was born near Bourges in central France and then moved with her family to Dijon, where her father died when she was seven. Her sister

Marguerite described her as *"a little devil,"* but from the time of her First Communion and Confirmation in 1891 she seems to have set her heart on becoming a contemplative nun. She had little formal education but became proficient in music, winning several prizes at the Dijon Conservatoire, so that her mother hoped she would use this gift to help support the family. She, however, vowed herself to Christ with a private vow of virginity when she was fourteen and decided that her future was in a Carmelite convent. Her mother forbade her to have any contact with the Dijon Carmel and tried to interest her in various young men she produced as potential suitors. In 1899 her mother relented, asking her only to wait another two years, until she was twenty-one, to which Elizabeth readily agreed.

She entered the Dijon Carmel on 2 August 1901, but less than two years later she showed the first symptoms of Addison's disease, caused by a glandular malfunction and with no known treatment. She accepted the news calmly as an opportunity to *"conform oneself to the Crucified in love,"* offering herself as a *"prey"* to the Trinity. She developed a mystical theology of suffering, written down in two notebooks that the prioress asked her to keep. Christ, her Spouse, she wrote, *"wishes me to be the surrogate human being in whom he can suffer again for the glory of the Father and the salvation of the Church. This thought makes me so happy."* For the first three years the disease was not especially painful, but it worsened suddenly in the summer of 1906, and though she welcomed even acute pain with joy, she was later afflicted with temptations to despair. In the end she won through these, believing that *"Nothing remains but love. Everything must be done for love."* After a week of final agony, she died in the morning of 9 November 1906. Her final words, quoted in her entry in the new Roman Martyrology, were: *"I am going to the light, to love, to life."* Four years earlier she had written to a friend: *"I feel I have found heaven on earth, because heaven is God and God is in my soul. The day I understood this a light went on inside me."*

Like Thérèse, she wrote verse, and in one poem she expressed this sense of being in heaven: *"I plunge into Infinity / Dive into my Patrimony. / In this profound immensity / As in eternity, / My soul is blessed. / With the Trinity I rest."* She knew Thérèse's works, as her autobiography had been circulated to Carmels in its first (1898) printing and was on its way to becoming a bestseller by the time she died. Asked whether she, like Thérèse, planned to "come back" to earth after her death, she replied: *"Certainly not! The moment I reach the threshold of eternity I shall be off like a shot into the heart of the Trinity, where I shall be immovable."* She was a mystic in the great Carmelite tradition of John of the Cross and so many others, but not a revolutionary like her great contemporary. Overshadowed by her after death as well, she was beatified by Pope John Paul II on 25 November 1984, nearly sixty years after Thérèse's canonization.

NOTICEBOARD

Contact details for the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP):
By phone or text: 07752 682213 - email: syvedineast@gmail.com

St Andrew's Night Concert – 7.00pm – St John's - 29 November

THE PERFORMERS

The Feast of Life Choir and **The Laidback Choir**, both with songs you know and love and will find yourself clapping (and maybe even singing) along with (eg Higher and Higher; How Deep is Your Love; Does Your Mother Know; Gloria and Bring me Sunshine)

Our own **Jeremy Thorp** with a beautiful slow piano piece (Solace by Scott Joplin) and then joined by **David Simpson** (clarinet) (East of the Sun) and **Louise Holden** (vocals) (Pick yourself up and Shadrach) for music with a bit of swing to it.

Emily Mitchell & Jerome Knox – who will regale us with songs ranging from Burns through the Great American Songbook to some of the popular gems of light opera. ((Emily and Jerome are professional opera/classical singers who were married in St John's in September this year – do google them)

And all this, plus a glass of wine or soft drink at the interval, is **free!**

(Of course, we will also be doing our best to sell you raffle tickets and make donations towards our parishes' appeal for the STEKA Women's Hostel.)

We look forward to seeing you there for one of the entertainment highlights of the year.



FURTHER FUNDRAISING FOR THE STEKASKILLS' WOMEN'S HOSTEL IN MALAWI -

Saturday 7 Dec: Christmas Craft Fair 10.00am-2.00pm – in St John's Church (to coincide with the markets which run 9.30am-1.00pm in Brighton Park)

STEKAskills' chair, Emma Wood has recently returned from 3 weeks in Malawi with lots of news to share with us about how grateful everyone there is for all that's being done here - as well as new insights into the need for the women's hostel and other initiatives which will help make it a success. She is busy working on a short film to help bring everything to life for us.

Four Ways you can help make our Christmas Fair a Success

Please support our Christmas Fair on December 7th by:

1. Booking a stall. We want to prioritise parishioners and local people, so why not have a clear out before Christmas or fundraise for your club, society or favourite charity by paying £15 for a stall - just email stekaskills@gmail.com before Saturday 23rd November.
2. Contributing crafts, gifts, bric-a-brac to a STEKAskills stall
3. Contributing to a home baking, tombola or Jolly Jam jar stall (filling a jam jar with things you might like to have - goodies like sweets, small toys, stationary, craft items for example). These can be brought on the day or dropped off after church services.
- 4: Coming along and having fun!!

Please note that we have decided to focus all our fundraising efforts for the STEKAskills Women's Hostel before Christmas on running our this Christmas Fayre and won't be holding a Christmas Shopping night. *(And please save the date for our final events after Christmas. - January 18th: Bingo and afternoon tea 2-4pm (with Fr Jim as the caller); Sat January 25th: Burns Night 6-9pm)*

With reference to the above event, **Pamoja Fashion Sales** will still be in St John's Hall on Saturday 7 December, 9.30am – 1.30pm, as normal with their monthly charity sale.

Fresh Start – Jim Roarty and the J and P group write: ‘With the increased demand for their services, Fresh Start are finding that the shelves are looking a bit sparse and, in particular, need items for their Crockery and Pots and Pans Starter Packs....If you have any spare plates, bowls, mugs, glasses cutlery or pots/pans, please drop them off at the back of either of the two churches and the J&P Group will transport them to the Fresh Start depot at Crewe Toll.’

A Message from Fr Willie Crombie M.Af: “Thank you for the warm welcome I received over the last weekend at both St John’s and St Mary Magdalene’s. Deacon Eddie and especially Chris Vinestock were so helpful and kind.” The collections taken for **The Missionaries of Africa** (formerly *the White Fathers*) is **£361.70 from St Mary Magdalene’s and £754.50 from St John’s.**

AN ADVENT MEDITATION DAY – A JOURNEY OF ENDLESS GROWTH

Saturday November 30th – with ALEX HOLMES

Alex spends most of his time working alongside refugees in the camps in Calais

Venue - Liberton Northfield Church, 280 Gilmerton Rd, Edinburgh EH16 5TT (There is free on street parking and the church is wheelchair accessible) Best public transport: Bus 3, 29 from Princes Street - Scott Monument (Stop PH) Bus 8 from West Granton. From south- Bus 3 from Dalkeith, 29 from Gorebridge - Exit at Claverhouse Drive. Please register with Clare Roller - clare.roller@icloud.com - 07762 299633

In contemplative prayer we move

into silence

into stillness

into wonder

into awe

into respect

into amazement

into delight

FROM ARCHBISHOP LEO’S AD CLERUM

The Visit of the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem - Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzabella will be at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh on **Sunday 1 December**. His Eminence will preach at the evening Mass that will be presided over by Archbishop Cushley. Mass begins at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

Diploma in Catechetics - Take the Diploma in Catechetics and make the Holy Year 2025 a time of discovery and deepening in your life of faith. The course is run by the Archdiocese and starts in January. It consists of a weekly lecture on Zoom, guided reading from the Catechism and regular 1-to-1 support. To mark the Holy Year the course is being offered at £125 (normally £200). Find out more and register at bit.ly/diploma2025

Special Collection for SCES - The annual special collection for the work of the Scottish Catholic Education Service will take place on **Sunday 1 December**

Assisted Suicide - On 29 November, the UK Parliament will vote on an assisted suicide Bill. The result at Westminster will strongly influence MSPs as the Scottish Parliament is also considering this issue. If passed, assisted suicide laws will damage NHS end-of life-care. Experience in other countries shows that abuses start to happen and vulnerable people are pressured to die. Many MPs have not made up their minds and want to hear from you. Points to help with emails: <https://bit.ly/AssistedSuicideTalkingPoints> Find your MP & MSPs: <https://writetothem.com>

Advent Rosary - The annual Archdiocesan Rosary takes place each Monday at 7:45pm throughout Advent, beginning on **2 December**, Join us to pray for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions Register at bit.ly/adventrosary

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

A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL FOR THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – MARK 13:24-32

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

I always try to embrace the change afforded by modern technology. I particularly relish the challenges posed by smartphone know-how, or the potential of the inbuilt SatNav in the car. So, for example, the smartphone helpfully alerts me to my forthcoming appointment at the Freeman Hospital. *“Reminder: You have an appointment at Cardiology at Freeman Hospital, Newcastle at 11:20. Traffic is currently light. Your estimated journey time is 54 minutes.”* I aim to leave by 10:15. Aim is not, and has never been, my strong point. I would never make a pub darts team. There is (at least) one flaw in the software. Technology cannot make allowance for the vagaries of trying to park at the hospital, it makes little allowance for our fallen state. It has never heard of Adam and Eve, so does not understand those experts who speak of ‘white coat’ syndrome. For many, a visit to a hospital is accompanied by a heightened level of stress, so cannot possibly make allowance for the morons in the multi-storey car park who manage to straddle two bays in their haste to make their appointment time. Breathless they arrive in the outpatients’ department to be told that their clinic is running over, and they can expect a 90-minute delay. Meanwhile I’m now on the ninth floor of the car park and must risk parking in a reserved space, and the lift is out of order. Thank you very much ‘Mr-Oh-So-Clever Smartphone’. Not very smart at all, are you?

But who is the real fool? The programmer who overestimated the parking skills of hospital visitors – or me who suspended experience and wisdom because the machine in my pocket gave me false reassurance and hope! In years gone by, when I drove and Jock map-read, as we travelled through France, I learned that things and journeys take time. What looks to be a short distance on a map is best measured in minutes and hours, even on occasion a half-day – but never kilometres. Experience knows no substitute. Life is all about experience and the processing of events and circumstances over which we have no control. This is why we need our God and why those who pretend otherwise are never more than empty vessels full of empty promises and making a noise that is so empty it deafens all within earshot. The orange blob has no need of God, for he is his own god – answerable only to his own ego, chutzpah and his sycophantic devotees. As Bishop Talbert Swan recently pointed out: *The voters of America didn’t vote for Donald Trump because prices are too high. They voted for him because their morals are too low.* When society forgets how to read a map, putting all their eggs in the basket of a computer programmer, then they have little room for complaint when that same programmer displays a distinct lack of experience or awareness, compassion or decency. When a democracy suspends reason and puts its trust in a litany of unproven and unprovable promises, then parking across two bays will be the least of its problems.

In this weekend’s Gospel, Jesus urges us to learn to read the signs of the times. He suggests that we take off our blinkers, let the scales fall from our eyes: *Take the fig tree as a parable; as soon as its twigs grow supple, and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near.* Do you remember when Jesus warned us against trying to serve God and Mammon at the same time, advising that we would either love the first and hate the second or vice versa. When we get our priorities wrong, then all manner of chaos ensues. I have written before about Edward P Echlin SJ – the touchy-feely American Jesuit who opened my eyes to the secrets and majesty of ‘The Little Prince.’ By opening my eyes, he enabled me to clearly see, to read the signs. Sometimes my sight failed me, sometimes I lived up to the maxim – *there are none so blind as those that won’t see.* As I age, I find myself seeing more and more – and strangely I find myself more confident about speaking out. Bizarre though it might seem, Edward – or Ted as he preferred – was a huge fan of Dick van Dyke who once shared a platform with Martin Luther King. It was in 1964, and Dick van Dyke spoke:

“Hatred is not the norm. Prejudice is not the norm. Suspicion, dislike, jealousy, scapegoating, none of those are the transcendent facets of the human personality. They are diseases. They are the cancers of the soul. They are the infectious and contagious viruses that have been breeding humanity for years.

And because they have been and because they are, is it necessary that they continue to be? I think not.”

PARISH REGISTER

Warm birthday greetings to Michael O'Neill, our Monday altar server, 60 next Sunday 24 November

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Mary Whyte - Owen Jones
Jim Gray - Mgr Alistair Lawson
Simon Sherbrooke

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

Domenico Fertini - Sally Stone
Tony Godsal - Jude Payne
Mary Caffarkey - Jean Nelson
Hugh Campbell O'Neill - Des Woods

Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick:

St. John's:

Ann McBurnie, Kathy Gallagher, May Flynn, Mike Iannarelli, Mike and Patricia Lawler, Betty Dougal, Carol Simpson, Moira McAfferty, Helen Kilgour, Barbara Durcaz, Mairi O'Connor, Pamela Hanlon, Lesley O'Donnell, Gerry Cannon, Doreen Jones, Donald Oswald, Prisca Kemp, Mary Slight, Mike Noonan, Mike Fox, John McLaughlin, Celia Stone, John Lawler, Jimmy Curnyn, Charlotte McGregor, David Reid, Ann O'Brien, Diane McCarthy, Margaret Duffy, Mike Burns, Harry Allan, May Thomson, Kenny O'Connor, Rose Thornton, John Whyte, Maria Pacitti, Ann Dobie, Chloe Sutherland, Ruth Vizer, Mary Grady, Pauli Walker, 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, Margaret Ryan, Julie Keegan, Annie Watson, David O'Donnell, Jude Ferguson and James Muir.

Offertory 10 November 2024

St Mary Magdalene's, £375.42 total, including £129.42 Offertory and £246.00 Gift Aid.

St John's, £1391.40 total, including £328.40 Offertory, £253.00 Gift Aid, and £810.00 average weekly online donations.

Anniversaries:

St John's:

Nov. 16: Domenico Fertini (2017); Alexander Pyper (2007); William Cairns (1994); Daniel O'Lone (1979); Michael Clyne (1960); **Nov. 17:** George Hooper (2014); Winifred Thomson (1997); Helen Flynn (1992); **Nov. 18:** Fr. Gerry Jackson (1996); James P Meehan (1990); Annie Danial (1978); John Hartnett (1967); Harry Lawler (1965); Francis Flynn; **Nov. 19:** Jean Nelson (2022); George Harper (2014); James Flannigan; Charles I Jamieson (1948); Ella Flynn; **Nov. 20:** Sally Stone (2003); Peter Rennie (1987); Elizabeth Durkin (1973); Alice McAuley (1935); **Nov. 21:** Jude Payne (2015); Andrew Stevenson (2003); Hugh Campbell [9yrs] (2000); Patrick Ginnelly (1984); Alfred Sivell; **Nov. 22:** Des Woods (2023); Mary R Stewart (2006); Patrick Loftus (1985); Daniel Holligan (1922); Fred Aitken; Mr & Mrs Donlevy; Mary Greig;

St Mary Magdalene's:

Nov. 16: James Madden (2007); **Nov. 19:** John Murphy (1967); **Nov. 21:** Mrs Durkin (1974);

Please pray for sick friends and relatives of our Parishioners:

Eunice McDonald, Juan Ignacio de Vicente Lara, Tom Cullimore, David Paterson, Kay Leslie, Mary Ferguson, Vincent McCann, Katie McAnenny, Peter Higgins, Young Lily Webber, Tricia Murphy Black, Liz Watts, Anne Claveirole, Sr Helen McLaughlin, Revd Peter Millar, Ann Dooley, Ewa Kiersztein, Veronica Monbieni, 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 Heeneey, 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 17), Michael Doherty, Jean Wylie, Angela Khan, Tara Kuppinger, Charlotte O'Brien, young Martha Moyes (aged 7), Jennifer Kay, Kazim Kazimoglu, Jan Meise, Tony Rigg, Stuart Falconer, Elizabeth and Gordon Marron, John Kellagher, Dani Miniette, Sr Margaret Mary, Betty Blyth, James O'Rourke, Andrew Franklin, Jamie Mitchell, Edward Caulfield, Igor Rekowski, Mary Turnbull and young Ray Donovan Syme.