

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 29th December 2019 – Feast of the Holy Family

| Date | St Kentigern's | St John the Baptist | Mass Intentions |
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| Saturday 28 December | 10.00am Mass followed by Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament | <i>No Morning Mass</i> 5.15-5.45pm Confessions 6.00pm Mass (Vigil) | <i>Simon Curran RIP (StK)</i> <i>Donor's Intention (StJ)</i> |
| Sunday 29 December <i>Feast of the Holy Family</i> | 9.30am Mass | 11.30am Mass | <i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Fitzgerald Family S.I.</i> |
| Monday 30 December | <i>No Service</i> | 11.00am Mass (Church) | <i>Canon Stephen Judge RIP</i> |
| Tuesday 31 December | 10.00am Mass | <i>No Service</i> | <i>Valente Family & Frank Fitzpatrick RIP</i> |
| Wednesday 1 January 2020 <i>Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God</i> | <i>No Service</i> | 9.30am Mass (Church) | <i>Mawdsley Family S.I.</i> |
| Thursday 2 January <i>St Basil & St Gregory Nazianzen</i> | 10.00am Mass | <i>No Service</i> | <i>Calum Macleod RIP</i> |
| Friday 3 January | <i>No Service</i> | 9.30am Mass (Oratory) | <i>Marie Dickey RIP</i> |
| Saturday 4 January | 10.00am Mass followed by Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament | <i>No Morning Mass</i> 4.45-5.45pm First Saturday Devotions 5.15-5.45pm Confessions 6.00pm Mass (Vigil) | <i>Eileen Dunne S.I. (StK)</i> <i>Jeremy Walker RIP (StJ)</i> |

Sunday 5 January 2020 – Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

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| Sunday 5 January <i>Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord</i> | 9.30am Mass | 11.30am Mass | <i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Marie & Patrick Costello RIP</i> |
| Monday 6 January | <i>No Service</i> | <i>No Service</i> | |
| Tuesday 7 January | <u>9.30am</u> Mass | <i>No Service</i> | <i>Tommy McGee RIP</i> |
| Wednesday 8 January | <i>No Service</i> | 9.30am Mass (Church) | <i>SSVP deceased members RIP</i> |
| Thursday 9 January <i>St Basil & St Gregory Nazianzen</i> | <u>9.30am</u> Mass | <i>No Service</i> | <i>Anne McDonald S.I.</i> |
| Friday 10 January | <i>No Service</i> | 9.30am Mass (Oratory) | <i>Immacolata Delicata RIP</i> |
| Saturday 11 January | <u>9.30am</u> Mass followed by Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament | <i>No Morning Mass</i> 5.15-5.45pm Confessions 6.00pm Mass (Vigil) | <i>Betty Brown S.I. (StK)</i> <i>Jim Pettigrew RIP (StJ)</i> |
| Sunday 12 January <i>Feast of the Baptism of the Lord</i> | <u>10.00am</u> Mass | <u>6.00pm</u> Mass | <i>Jannetta Family S.I.</i> <i>People of the Parish</i> |

A very warm welcome to Mass this morning. Tea and coffee available in the Hall after Sunday Masses

St Kentigern's Feast Day: On **Sunday 12th January** we will celebrate our Parish Patronal Feast of St Kentigern. There will only be one morning Mass held at St Kentigern's at 10.00am followed by a whole-parish Big Breakfast in the hall. There will be the usual 6pm Mass at St John's on Saturday and also a 6.00pm Mass on the Sunday at St John's. I do hope that many of you will come to celebrate the feast together at 10.00am.

Screening at 6.00 for 6.30pm at St Kentigern's, this year's festal film is '**Yesterday**', starring Himesh Patel and Lily James. '*Everyone in the world has forgotten the Beatles. Everyone except Jack*'. See posters. It would be helpful to know roughly the numbers expected for the film night – there are lists available in both churches for you to sign up.

Thank you! Very many thanks for all the lovely gifts and cards that I received this Christmas. Your kindness and generosity are very much appreciated. Every blessing and good wish to you all for New Year. *Fr Jeremy*

We pray for: the sick and the housebound of the parish and those who care for them; and for all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

First Saturday Devotions: **Saturday 4th January** 4.45pm-5.45pm in St John's. All welcome.

Fr Jeremy away: I will be away from the parish 30th Dec – 4th Jan. Many thanks to Fr Emmanuel who will be supplying in my absence and living in the house at St John's for the week.

Crib Collection: This year this collection will be donated to the SSVP conferences at St Kentigern's and St John's to support their work helping families.

Nominations for the Parish Pastoral Council: Meeting usually 4 times per year, the important role of the Pastoral Council is to assist the Parish Priest in fostering pastoral activity, identifying pastoral needs and implementing and evaluating pastoral programmes. Nominations to the council can be made using the slips provided at the back of the churches, placing them in the boxes. It is essential that nominees have been asked if they would be willing to join the PPC and have agreed to have their name put forward. Nominations close on 5th February 2020. Copies of the PPC Constitution are available at the back also.

What do the children want? At the parish meeting last Sunday those considering activities and events for getting the children more involved in parish life decided that we should ask the children what sorts of things they would like to do. So, at children's liturgy this and in coming weeks the children will be given a suggestions slip (also available at the back of the Church) to take away and bring back the following week or as soon as possible. On the same slip, parents are also invited to let us know if they would like to receive notifications about parish activities and events for children and if so what is the best way for us to keep in touch. We look forward to hearing your ideas!

First Holy Communion preparation, parents' meetings:

St John's: Wednesday 8th January, 7pm (Oratory)

St Kentigern's: Thursday 9th January, 7pm (Church)

Special Collection: 4/5 January – Justice & Peace

News from St Kentigern's

Readers' List: There is a new list for Readers for the months of January and February on the noticeboard in the porch. Please fill in your names.

Church Cleaners Thank you to all the volunteers who are involved in cleaning the church. They carry out a very worthwhile ministry and as a token of appreciation there is a small gift for each of them which can be collected from the parish room. If anyone else is interested in becoming a volunteer cleaner then please contact Fr Jeremy or Karen Birnie, 334 3641.

Church Cleaning: Team 1; Team 2.

Tea Team for Next Sunday: Team 2; Team 3.

Other News

Bioethics Day: What's the Catholic view of assisted suicide and how crucial is palliative care in resisting the culture of death? Dr David Jones, Director of Anscombe Bioethics Centre, Oxford, will discuss the major issues surrounding assisted suicide at a Bioethics Day event at The Gillis Centre, on **Saturday 25th January**. He will be joined by Evelyn Howie, a retired Senior Palliative Care Nurse, who will reveal the impact of palliative care in combatting the culture of death. The event is on from 11:00am-2:30pm. To register search 'Bioethics Day' on Eventbrite or visit the events section of the Archdiocesan Facebook Page. Or, call 0131 623 8900.

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| Offertory | £772.70 | £573.07 |
| Standing Order | £283.65 | £318.73 |
| Christmas Masses | £1,311.15 | £1,976.35 |

Parish Contacts and Communication details:

Fr Jeremy/parish business: parish.turnhouse@gmail.com

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