

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 16th February 2020 – *Sixth Sunday of the Year*

Date	St Kentigern's	St John the Baptist	Mass Intentions
Saturday 15 February	9.30am Mass followed by Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<i>No Morning Mass</i> 5.15-5.45pm Confessions 6.00pm Mass (Vigil)	<i>Margaret Robb RIP (StK)</i> <i>Louis Rocco Valente RIP (StJ)</i>
Sunday 16 February <i>Sixth Sunday of the Year</i>	9.30am Mass	11.30am Mass	<i>Patricia Murphy RIP (StK)</i> <i>People of the Parish (StJ)</i>
Monday 17 February	<i>No Service</i>	<i>No Service</i>	
Tuesday 18 February	9.30am Mass	<i>No Service</i>	<i>Annie McLoughlin RIP</i>
Wednesday 19 February	<i>No Service</i>	9.30am Mass (Church)	<i>Canon Stephen Judge RIP</i>
Thursday 20 February	9.30am Mass	<i>No Service</i>	<i>Rosina Janetta RIP</i>
Friday 21 February	<i>No Service</i>	9.30am Mass (Oratory)	<i>Austin Gaughan RIP</i>
Saturday 22 February <i>Feast of the Chair of St Peter</i>	9.30am Mass followed by Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<i>No Morning Mass</i> 5.15-5.45pm Confessions 6.00pm Mass (Vigil)	<i>Holy Souls (StK)</i> <i>Gordon Nesbitt RIP (StJ)</i>
Sunday 23 February <i>Seventh Sunday of the Year</i>	9.30am Mass	11.30am Mass	<i>Nan Reilly RIP (StK)</i> <i>People of the Parish (StJ)</i>

Gift Aid: Sincere thanks to everyone who contributes financially to support the Parish. The 25% extra received from taxpayers who sign up for Gift Aid is a welcome bonus. Parishioners who choose to contribute by Standing Order earn the same 25% rebate - and also save the cost of envelopes. Next financial year's envelopes will soon be available in the porch before Mass and at the end of Mass. ****Please remember to collect yours from 8th March.**

- If you would consider changing from envelopes to a Standing Order, or
- If you are a tax payer and would like to sign up for Gift Aid Envelopes or a Standing Order (at no additional cost to you) please contact fionaconnell12@gmail.com or Tel: 01315394583

Lastly, the new sets of envelopes have a special Christmas Day envelope, for those who wish to use it.

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

Please pray for: the sick and the housebound of the parish and those who care for them; for Betty Randall who died recently and for all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

Next Sunday: There will be a collection for the White Flower Appeal for SPUC Scotland.

Bible Course: *"The Big Picture: You, the Bible & God's Big Plan"*. Produced by Catholic Faith Exploration (CaFE) and the Bible Society, this course aims to help people find their place in the big picture of salvation history. Each participant has a book and DVD which have 12 sessions covering the whole of

salvation history. Each session invites us to watch a short introductory video and then gives guidance for Bible reading and reflection for the week that follows. The next session begins with sharing about the insights and discoveries from that week and then watch the next video. I propose doing 6 sessions during Lent (Wednesdays 7pm, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8) and 6 sessions during Easter (provisionally Wednesdays April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, Thursday May 28). The venue will depend on numbers. The book + DVD costs £10. Please sign up on the sheets provided at the back of the churches if you would like to join the course and order a book.

Real Easter Eggs: Order now if you would like to get these delicious Fairtrade eggs which are packaged to tell the real story of Easter! Order forms at the back of the churches. (*I know it's a bit early but if we order before 10 March we get free delivery!*)

News from St John's ..

Murrayside Care Home Service: Tuesday 18th February, 2pm. Participants welcome!

SSVP: There will be a meeting of St Vincent de Paul on **Wednesday 19th February** at 10.30am in the Parish House.

Calling all musicians! We are looking for those who like to sing or can play a musical instrument to help contribute to the music we offer during Mass. If you play a musical instrument or sing and would like to help, get in touch with Barry McAleer: barrymcaleer@gmail.com; 07518 928286

Let's create our own Mary Garden! A Mary Garden contains plants which are associated with or remind us of Our Lady, Mary. This garden should be a place of beauty, so that one can experience God's creation, and a place of contemplation and prayer. An excellent opportunity for creativity, community and a common goal! No gardening experience necessary and all ages and abilities welcome to contribute to this project, which will take place during Lent. Hopefully, the garden will be planted in time so that May Day (1st May) can be celebrated with a ceremonial crowning of Mary. The first information/planning meeting will be after Mass on **Sunday 23rd February** in the church hall. Please come along to share ideas on how we can make this a very special space. If you would like to contribute but can't make the meeting, contact Shelley McAinsh at shelley@colquhoun.com or on 07960 477981.

Remembering Service: This service will take place for those who have lost a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, on **Sunday 8th March at 6pm**, St John the Baptist Church. The service may be helpful to anyone who feels that they have not had the opportunity to fully acknowledge and grieve for their loss. It is also for those who wish to come in love and support. The service is ecumenical and open to all.

News from St Kentigern's ..

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

Church Cleaning: Team 3; **Tea Team for Next Sunday:** YFL

Other News ..

Pro-Life Youth Conference: 28th February - 1st March, Bedfordshire: An opportunity to spend time with pro-life young people and hear excellent speakers. A contribution to costs would be very welcome but a limited number of sponsorships are available. Travel by direct bus from Edinburgh. Further details from the Pro Life Office at Gillis;

Parish Contacts and Communication details:

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

Newsletter: stjstknnews@gmail.com (*Note: Please send items by 5.00pm on Thursday for inclusion in the Sunday Newsletter*)

Parish Halls: St John the Baptist – traceyjane@hotmail.com; St Kentigern's – stkenthall@gmail.com

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tel Paul Atkin on 0131 623 8917 or email prolife@staned.org.uk.

Concerts in the Cathedral: St Mary's Cathedral Friday 6th March with Aly Bain & Phil Cunningham and Saturday 7th March with Barbara Dickson. The concerts will help to raise funds for the Cathedral. Tickets cost £25 per person, available from Eventbrite.

News from the Archdiocese ..

Lent talks: 'Love Lent: The Call to Holiness'. These talks take place at the Gillis Centre on **1st, 15th and 29th March**, from 5pm-7pm. They feature three different stories on God's call, from Archbishop Cushley (1st), Sister Mirjam Hugens (15th) and Fr Andrew Garden (29th). The talks will conclude with prayer followed by pizza and a chance to socialise. All events free and there's no need to register.

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2020: 10th – 17th July, 7 nights by air direct from Edinburgh. Lourdes theme for 2020 "*I am the Immaculate Conception*". Join Archbishop Leo Cushley for another wonderful and spiritually fulfilling week of pilgrimage in Lourdes. Information and forms at the back of the churches. See also www.edinburgh-lourdes.com. Young adults (16-30) are invited to travel to Lourdes as part of the helper team. Find out more at a meeting after Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, 3pm on Sunday 16th February at St Cuthbert's, Slateford Road, Edinburgh (meeting to begin circa 4:15pm)

- **Closed or Open Doors? Thursday 20th February, 6.30 for 7.00pm, Gillis Centre:** This event explores the refugee/migrant crisis in Europe. John Dalhuisen, a leading thinker on human rights and migration policy will reflect on this complex issue to which there is no simple Christian response. Entry by donation.
- **Male and Female He Created Them: February 28th/Saturday 29th February.** A mini-symposium on gender theory with Dr Adrian Treloar and Sr Andrea Fraile, Friday 7-9pm, Our Lady and St Ninian's Bannockburn, FK 8HZ; Saturday 2-5pm, Gillis Centre. In the recent document 'Male and Female He Created Them' the Church calls us to remain faithful to the Gospel and to respond to gender theory by listening, reasoning and proposing the Christian vision of male and female, as God created them. Our experienced speakers will show you how.
- **Register via Eventbrite, Archdiocesan Facebook page or by phoning 0131 623 8900**

Finance	Plate	Standing Order
Offertory 8/9 February	£1,024.67	£602.38

Upcoming Parish Events		
February		
Sunday 23 rd	Mary Garden planning meeting 12.30	StJ