

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 10th May 2020 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

If you or anyone you know is in need of assistance during this time please contact us via the parish email (parish.turnhouse@gmail.com) or phone (0131 334 1693).

I'm sure we are all getting a bit weary of the restrictions that we have to live with at the moment, especially the ongoing Eucharistic fast that you are having to bear. We will get there, but we do need to remain patient for a while longer so that we can all move forward together, safely. It's a time for perseverance. A very positive development though is the new working group formed by the Bishop's Conference of Scotland to plot the course ahead (see below). Let's pray the wisdom of heaven for them in this.

Bishop's Conference Working Group

BCOS has formed a Covid-19 Working Group for Infectious Disease, chaired by the former Chief Medical Officer for Scotland, Sir Harry Burns. It will propose procedures and protocols that will allow us to progress safely and in stages towards the opening of our churches, first for prayer, and later on for Mass, even if in a curtailed form.

Please see the press release on the BCOS website: <https://www.bcos.org.uk/News/tabid/113/Default.aspx>

Dedication of the Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Let us join in prayer with Archbishop Leo on 13 May 2020 as he rededicates our Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

In the Scripture readings this Sunday...

In the election of the seven deacons in the reading from Acts we see the Holy Spirit active in the work of building up a *spiritual house* made of *living stones* who rest securely on the *cornerstone* who is Jesus Christ. These deacons are to feed the poor while the apostles preach the word. Together with all the faithful, the *royal priesthood*, they form the Church, '*a people set apart to sing the praises of God*'. Together they go forth to proclaim the risen Lord as the Way, the Truth and the Life. Alleluia!

Prayer of the Week

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ; in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. (Chaplet of Divine Mercy)

This week online...

MASS STREAMED LIVE TO THE PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE DAILY AT 9.30AM

<https://www.facebook.com/ssjohnbandkentigern/>

Mass Intentions this week

Sun 10th May – People of the Parish

Mon 11th May – Ann Kelly RIP

Tue 12th May – Canon Bernard Devine RIP

Wed 13th May – David Martin RIP

Thu 14th May – Bobby Cole RIP

Fri 15th May – Rudden & Mawdsley Families RIP

Sat 16th May – Mushtaq Qureshi RIP

Sun 17th May – People of the Parish

TUESDAY 12TH MAY, 11AM – Video Coffee Morning. Send me an email if you would like to receive the invitation and link to a Zoom coffee morning.

WEDNESDAY 13TH MAY, 8PM – Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration. (NOTE CHANGE OF TIME TO JOIN ROSARY MISSION. SEE BELOW)

Confession available by appointment

Rosary Mission for the Month of May

Together with the Rosary Shrine in London, 'Rosary on the Coast' and Carfin Marian Shrine, pray the Rosary every day of May at 8pm. Details at <https://rosaryshrine.co.uk/may-2020-rosary-mission/>

Message from SCIAF

Thank you to everyone who has been saving money in your SCIAF WEE BOX to help women in the DR Congo. You have been most generous. If you still have your WEE BOX at home please donate before 20th May to ensure it is matched by the UK government. You can donate over the phone on 0141 354 5555, via our website (www.sciaf.org.uk), or you can post your donation to FREEPOST SCIAF. If posting your donation, please include a small note with WEE BOX 2020 written on it so we know it's for this year's WEE BOX appeal.

Thank you and God bless.

*In order to get donations to SCIAF in time for the 20th May deadline for match funding, a kind parishioner has offered to count and bank SCIAF boxes. So, please **drop your Wee Box off at the presbytery** as soon as you can and we'll get that done.*

Bethany Care Shelter Appeal

Bethany are currently caring for a community of about 60 homeless people at the Old Waverley Hotel where they can be safely sheltered in single room accommodation. Jim Boyle is organising a parish catering team to offer support. Bethany have been in touch with an appeal for other kinds of help. These include:

- > **Financial support** - <https://www.bethanychristiantrust.com/support-work/make-a-donation/>
- > Sat / Sunday **Housekeeping** to tidy up rooms after guests have been helped into alternative accommodation.
- > **Transport** of cooking equipment, food, activities and clothing to and from Old Waverley Hotel and the Bethany hub at Diadem Church, Chesser Avenue.
- > Donations of **Food** (boxes of cereal (not Cornflakes), jam (not marmalade), diluting juice, coffee, tea, sugar, crisps and individually wrapped biscuits; **Activities** (musical instruments; jigsaws; puzzle books; foreign language novels; art supplies); **Men's Clothing** (clean and suitable for the men using the shelter i.e. please no suits or shirts. No ladies' or children's clothing).

DONATIONS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD, ACTIVITIES AND MEN'S CLOTHING CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE PRESBYTERY AT ST JOHN THE BAPTIST'S (*Many thanks for the donations and offers of help received so far. Keep them coming! Jim Boyle has two catering teams ready to go on 18th May and 20th June which is great.*)

Foodbanks

Non-perishable items urgently required: Tinned vegetables, potatoes, chopped tomatoes, fruit and cold meat (tinned, e.g. corned beef); jam, long life fruit juice, UHT milk, chocolate/sweets, pulses and rice, hand wash and household cleaning products. Check out their web page for other items needed - <https://edinburghnw.foodbank.org.uk/>

St Andrew's Fox Covert Primary School

A huge thank you to those who have contributed to the recent school appeal. Your generosity will really make a difference by supporting families during this difficult time.

Church Offerings

If you are able, please consider setting up a Standing Order for your church offering. Form on website. Envelopes can still be delivered to the presbytery.

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

Rest in Peace: please pray for Pat Eveleigh, James Roberts, Beatrice Ronaldson, June Heeps and Mary Miller who died recently; may they rest in peace and rise in glory.

PARISH PRAYER BOX - *Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.* (Philippians 4:6). Send us your prayer request/ petitions by email on jkprayerbox@gmail.com or submit the form on Facebook.

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*)

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