

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

Parish Priest: Fr Jeremy Milne

Resident at St John the Baptist

Telephone No: 0131 334 1693

Email: parish.turnhouse@gmail.com

Website: <https://ssjohnbandkentigern.org.uk>

Facebook: fb.me/ssjohnbandkentigern



Church of St John the Baptist

37 St Ninian's Road
Edinburgh EH12 8AL

Church of St Kentigern

26 Parkgrove Avenue
Edinburgh EH4 7QR

Sunday 17th May 2020 – *SIXTH 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).

A blessed Sunday to you all. I hope that you have been managing to keep safe and well and are enjoying the lovely weather and the extra exercise. We continue to pray for the Bishops and their advisors as they seek ways to safely allow us to open our churches for prayer as a first step towards our longed-for reunion! May the Holy Spirit grant them wisdom and inspire us to use these days well to prepare ourselves for a new chapter in the life of the Church.

In the Scripture readings this Sunday...

Following the successful evangelisation of the Samaritans by Philip, Peter and John are sent from Jerusalem to lay their Apostolic hands upon the newly Baptised so that they may be Confirmed with the fullness of the Holy Spirit. In the Spirit, they are raised to life with Christ, enlightened to the truth and inspired to bear witness by crying out with joy to God. The Son asked the Father to send the Holy Spirit to be with us always. With the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are not left as orphans, we are always intimately part of the family of God.

Prayer of the Week

O God, who taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of the same Spirit we may be always truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

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 17th May – People of the Parish
Mon 18th May – Louis Rocco Valente RIP
Tue 19th May – Fr Richard Rogers RIP
Wed 20th May – Stanley Young RIP

Thu 21st May (*Ascension*) – Canon Stephen Judge RIP
Fri 22nd May (*Requiem*) – Pat Eveleigh RIP
Sat 23rd May – Ruth Mackay RIP
Sun 24th May – People of the Parish

TUESDAY 19TH 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 20TH MAY, 8PM – Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration.

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/>

'Gods creation as Gift and Sacrament'

Sunday 24th May at 12pm. A Zoom event of prayer and reflection on Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si* organised by the Archdiocesan Caritas Commission. Look out for joining instructions on Arch. Website/Facebook.

Message from St Andrew's Fox Covert School

Dear Friends, things are very busy in our school community as you can imagine. Staff are busy working in our Hub, facilitating digital home learning and supporting the children. Thanks to your generosity, we have also been able to offer and deliver food hampers to many of our families. It is difficult to put into words the difference these hampers

make to each child but please know that your money is making a significant contribution to supporting the wellbeing of many. On behalf of our whole school community I offer my heart-felt thanks. Any future donations (made via the parish) will be used to buy food hampers in future weeks, provide shopping vouchers or buy equipment for children for home learning during this time. Rebecca Favier, Headteacher

SCIAF Wee Boxes

Last chance to drop off your SCIAF Box. Either bring to the presbytery at St John's or you can deliver them to St Kentigern's main gate between 11am and 12noon on Sunday where someone will be on hand to collect.

Message from SCIAF - Thank you to everyone who has been saving money in your SCIAF WEE BOX. 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.

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. They need:

- > **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.
- > 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, cup-a-soup, hand wash, toilet rolls and household cleaning products. Check out their web page for other items needed - <https://edinburghnw.foodbank.org.uk/>

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 whose Funeral takes place at Warriston Crematorium on Friday 22nd May at 12.30pm. The Friday morning Mass at 9.30am will be a Requiem Mass for Pat. Please continue to pray also for James Roberts, Beatrice Ronaldson, June Heeps and Mary Miller who died recently; may they all 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.

FACEBOOK ACTIVITY - Well, who knew it was National Doughnuts Week this week? So, roll up your sleeves, create amazing doughnuts and lets see the results – photos , recipes, pictures, tales of success! Lets see them all.

Parish Contacts and Communication details:

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

Newsletter: stjstknws@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

SSVP St John's & St Kentigern's – can be contacted via the parish contacts

Parish of the Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh, registered Charity No: SC008540