

# Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Year

## Mass Schedule and Intentions this week

Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	St John the Baptist	6.00pm	Mary Boyle RIP
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	St Kentigern's (+ Livestream to Fb)	9.30am	Jean Rodgers RIP
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	St John the Baptist	11.30am	Jill Strachan RIP
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	St Kentigern's	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	<u>No service</u>		
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	St John the Baptist	9.30am	Kathleen Boyle RIP
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Facebook	9.30am	Catherine Jones RIP
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct (St Teresa of Jesus)	St Kentigern	9.30am	Special Intention
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Facebook	9.30am	Donor's Intention
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct (St Ignatius of Antioch)	St John the Baptist	6.00pm	Eileen Dignan S.I.
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	St Kentigern (+ Livestream to Fb)	9.30am	Paul & Pauline Davies RIP
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	St John the Baptist	11.30am	People of the Parish
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	St Kentigern	5.00pm	John Canning RIP
<b>Confessions</b>	St John the Baptist - Saturday – <b>5.00pm – 5.30pm</b> <i>Fr Jeremy is running a marriage preparation course this Saturday and so Confessions will be available before the evening Mass.</i>		
<b>Rosary &amp; Eucharistic Adoration</b>	Facebook - Wednesday at 8.00pm		

**Livestream of Sunday Mass:** The 9.30am Mass at St Kentigern's will be filmed and livestreamed to the Facebook page. The camera is set up in such a way that the congregation cannot be seen at any stage for the sake of privacy.

**Booking:** There is a limit of 50 people at each Mass and so we have put a booking system in place.

1. **Eventbrite** – For online booking follow these links: [St John the Baptist](#) or [St Kentigern](#).
2. **Telephone** – If you do not have internet you can book a place by calling Marlene McCallum on 07748 817878 (10am-8pm). You will be asked to give your name, address and phone number.

### Here is what to expect when you come to church for Mass:

- Volunteers will be at church to welcome and assist you. Please follow their guidance.
- All are asked to wear face-coverings in the church except children under 5 years of age.
- Please sanitise hands on entry and exit using the dispensers provided. A volunteer will guide you to the designated seating which maintains 2m social distancing. Please only sit where the welcomers direct you to.
- Change to procedure for distribution of Holy Communion: in response to a number of comments and requests I will trial distributing Communion in the pews which will allow people to kneel or sit in reverence after receiving the Blessed Sacrament. If you are receiving, please put out your hands as I pass along the empty pews. After Communion, Mass will finish as usual and then the passkeepers will direct you to leave the church starting from the back pews.

**If you have any Covid-19 symptoms (fever, cough, loss of smell or taste), PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCHES.**  
Thank you for your cooperation.

### In the Sunday readings this week ...

Among the Jewish people, the prospect of the coming Messiah was likened to a great and joyful wedding feast with fine wine and rich food. Jesus uses this image in his parable of the kingdom to issue a double warning. Firstly, the invitation to the feast, the kingdom, is a generous gift that needs to be recognized as such and willingly accepted. God constantly invites. It is up to us to respond. Second, if responding to the invitation initiates a movement in the direction of the feast, the kingdom, by the time we arrive we will need to be wearing the right clothes in order to belong there. The wedding garment is a standard Jewish image for the works of generosity expected of the faithful. God's generosity to us demands our generosity to others.

**This week online:** Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October, 11.00am – Video Coffee Morning

**Special Collection next Sunday** (Mission Sunday): There will be baskets available at the back of the churches for donations. You can also donate online - [missioscotland.com/donate](https://missioscotland.com/donate)

**Fratelli Tutti:** The Pope's new encyclical is available to read online now. 'Fratelli Tutti: On Fraternity and Social Friendship' can be found in the encyclicals section of the Vatican's website: [vatican.va](https://vatican.va)

**Getting to Know St Mark:** A Zoom event on the gospels of St Mark for Year B will take place at 7pm on **Monday 19 October**. Getting to Know St Mark will be presented by Fr Andrew Garden. Details on registration for this free event will be shared soon on the Archdiocese's Facebook page and website: [archedinburgh.org/new-events](https://archedinburgh.org/new-events).

**SSVP – St John's:** Here in St John's, recently we have been unable to collect funds in the usual way ie with our collection boxes at the back of the church, so we find ourselves with no more money in the kitty. This is because during these difficult times, we have sent money to St Andrew's Fox Covert and to St Joseph's primary schools to help them support children in need. Similarly we have sent donations to a local parish which does not have a St Vincent de Paul conference to help with needy families there, something we have always done. We also have to pay dues locally and nationally to help support our work further afield including in India. We now need funds to ensure we can continue as a conference so with Fr Jeremy's permission, you will again see our collection boxes with SSVP on them at the back of the church. We know that times are very difficult for many people but if you feel able to support us even in a small way, please place your donations in the boxes and we will collect them after Mass. We will not, of course, be standing holding the boxes as we usually do. We can also accept cheques made out to the Society of St Vincent de Paul if you prefer not to use cash. Thank you very much in anticipation for helping us continue with our supportive and charity work. *Marie Allan ( President), Anne Simpson ( Treasurer)*

**Family Planning – God's Way – Nature's Way:** The Billings Ovulation Method of natural Family Planning is 99% effective in avoiding pregnancy with **no side effects**. This method is also very helpful for couples having difficulty conceiving. For further information or details of a tutor in your area, please contact Fertility Care Scotland at [info@fertilitycare.org.uk](mailto:info@fertilitycare.org.uk). Our next Training Course for new Billings Teachers will take place at Schoenstatt on 15-13 April 2021. Please email us for further details.

**Foodbanks:** The pressure on Foodbanks is greater now than ever. Donations of non-perishable food items, household cleaning products and toiletries all needed and can be left in the baskets provided in the respective churches. Your support for families in crisis, particularly at this time, is very much appreciated.

### Please pray for...

- The children of our parish who are preparing to receive first Holy Communion in November and their teachers and catechists, that they will grow in their love and friendship of the Lord and be guided by him along the pathways of God all the days of their lives.
- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that they may be strengthened and consoled.
- Doreen Watson who died during the week, may she rest in peace and rise in glory. Doreen's funeral will take place at St John's on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 11.45am (family only).
- Fr Hugh Purcell, priest of our Archdiocese who died this week also, may the Lord grant him peace and his family and friends consolation.
- All those who have died recently – Jessie Lobban, Pat Hay, Ana Collalto, Adrian Budas, Kathleen Boyle.
- All those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

### Parish Contacts and Communication details:

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

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

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