

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 6th December 2020 - Second Sunday of Advent

Mass Schedule and Intentions this week

Saturday 5 th December	<i>(Vigil)</i>	St John the Baptist (+ Fb)	6.00pm	Jack Seils RIP
Sunday 6 th December		St Kentigern (+ Fb)	9.30am	Donald & Rena MacKinnon RIP
		St John the Baptist	11.30am	Barney McFeely RIP
		St Kentigern	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Monday 7 th December	<i>(St Ambrose)</i>	St John the Baptist	<u>7.00pm</u>	Fr Hugh Purcell RIP
Tuesday 8 th Dec	<i>(Immaculate Conception)</i>	St Kentigern (+ Fb)	9.30am	Joe Parker RIP
Wednesday 9 th December		St John the Baptist (+ Fb)	9.30am	Dec'd McCauley Family RIP
Thursday 10 th December		St Kentigern (+ Fb)	9.30am	Anne Caird RIP
Friday 11 th December		St John the Baptist (+ Fb)	9.30am	Donor's Intention
Saturday 12 th December		St Kentigern	9.30am	Madeleine Johnston RIP
Saturday 12 th December	<i>(Vigil)</i>	St John the Baptist (+ Fb)	6.00pm	Donald & Hilary Griffin RIP
Sunday 13 th December		St Kentigern (+ Fb)	9.30am	Tony & Helen Lee S.I.
		St John the Baptist	11.30am	People of the Parish
		St Kentigern	5.00pm	Pat Finnie S.I.

Advent Devotions: Candlelit Mass, Eucharistic Adoration & Reconciliation - Monday at 7.00pm in St John's

Confessions

St John the Baptist - Saturday - 5.15pm - 5.45pm
St Kentigern - Saturday - 10.00am - 10.30am

Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration

Facebook - Wednesday at 8.00pm

Booking for Saturday Vigil/Sunday Masses: There is a limit of 50 people at each Mass and so we have put a booking system in place.

- Eventbrite** - For online booking follow these links: [St John the Baptist](#) or [St Kentigern](#).
- 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.

Christmas Mass Times

<i>Christmas Eve</i>		<i>Christmas Day</i>		Note: Christmas Masses - It is essential to book your places, one per person. Booking opens on Eventbrite or by telephone (as above) from Monday 14 th December.
6.00pm	St Kentigern's	9.30am	St Kentigern's	
7.30pm	St Kentigern's	11.00am	St Kentigern's	
7.30pm	St John's	11.00am	St John's	
9.00pm	St John's	12.30pm	St John's	

Advent reflections continue on Tuesday 8th December, 7.30pm, Zoom - "The Joy of Hope: living joyfully with the hope of eternal life" (CaFE - Catholic Faith Exploration). The second in the series (of 4) of videos and discussion offering uplifting and practical insight into the joy of living now with hope in the future blessing of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. To register please email Fr Jeremy.

This week online: Tuesday 8th December, 11.00am – Video Coffee Morning

Focus on Marriage (reflections from www.twainoneflesh.org.uk): *Second Sunday in Advent – Let us be a sign for all - A voice cries “Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord”*. Sometimes life can seem to be a wilderness as we look ahead. If we try to live today to the best of our abilities, removing those attitudes and behaviours that prevent us from being better husbands and wives, then we can become a clearer ‘signpost’ for everyone.

Scripture readings this week ...

“Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem!” John the Baptist, the joyful messenger, points to Jesus crying ‘Here is your God who will baptise you with the Holy Spirit!’ John calls us to prepare a way for the Lord. Repentance, prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the practices that pave a straight way for the Lord to enter our hearts at Christmas. On this second Sunday of Advent, John the Baptist joyfully points the way to our Salvation.

Children’s Sacramental Preparation 2021: If you would like to enrol your child for Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation (P3), Holy Communion (P4) or Confirmation (P7) please complete a registration form and return it to the parish office at the Presbytery by hand, post or email. Parish classes will begin in the New Year.

Registration forms - [Reconciliation \(P3\)](#), [Holy Communion \(P4\)](#); [Confirmation \(P7\)](#). PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU REGISTERED FOR RECONCILIATION LAST YEAR YOU DO NOT NEED TO FILL IN ANOTHER FORM BUT YOU WILL BE CONTACTED TO CONFIRM WHETHER YOU WISH YOUR CHILD TO CONTINUE PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION.

Christmas! Many thanks for your generous response to our appeals for food items and children’s toys. Please note the cut off for donations is next Sunday 13th December to allow time for distribution.

- SSVP St Kentigern’s are appealing for non-perishable items of food for family food hampers
- St John’s will continue to support the Corstorphine Community Hub Foodbank which supports local families.
- St John’s and SSVP St Kentigern’s are both seeking donations of Children’s Gifts, wrapped and clearly marked with age range and gender, if appropriate.

Pro-Life Advent Rosary: Join people across the Archdiocese on Zoom to pray for unborn children, their mothers and all Pro-Life intentions. Each Monday at 7:30pm in Advent. To register, visit bit.ly/RosaryAdvent2

DIY Abortion: Make Your Voice Heard: A Zoom session to learn how to respond to the Scottish Government online consultation on early medical abortion at home. 7:30pm, **Tuesday 08 December**. Register at bit.ly/DIYabortion

Be Still: Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM helps you cut through the cacophony of consumerism to ensure prayer is the priority in your prep to celebrate the birth of Christ. This Zoom event takes place at 7:30pm on **Monday 14 December**. No registration required - join using this link bit.ly/BeStillWebinar

Diploma in Catechetics: More people are registering for the Archdiocese’s Diploma in Catechetics. Lectures take place on a Thursday evening on Zoom, so you can learn from the comfort and convenience of your home. To register visit bit.ly/CatecheticsDiploma (deadline 01 January). Or for more info email: sranna.marie@staned.org.uk

Mary’s Meals Double the Love Campaign: *From 2nd November until 31st January 2021, any donations made to the Double the Love campaign will be matched by UK government, up to £2 million. Each little act of love will be doubled to support families in Liberia and the hope of a better future for their children. You can get involved by setting a place at our Big Family Christmas dinner table (<https://bigfamilychristmas.marysmeals.org.uk/big-family-christmas-table>.) You can also buy our Christmas gift cards on our website. More information on how to support us can be found at www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove. Thank you.*

Please pray for:

- Madeleine Johnston who died during the week. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Madeleine’s funeral will take place on Friday 11th December at St Kentigern’s and onwards to Granstables Cemetery, Polmont.
- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that they may be strengthened and consoled.
- All those who have died recently – Rose Ann Joyce, Joe Parker, Bill Lamb, Fr Hugh Purcell, Doreen Watson and Jessie Lobban and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

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*)

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

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