

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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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).

Sunday 9th January 2022
Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

COVID Reminder!
Sanitise - Masks - Space

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the following week

Saturday 8 th January (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Janette Hylands
Sunday 9 th January	9.30am	St Kentigern	Fr Tony Duffy RIP
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	People of the Parish
	6.00pm	St Kentigern	Daniel Evans RIP
Monday 10 th January	<i>No Service</i>		
Tuesday 11 th January	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Wednesday 12 th January	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Roseleen Veronica Kay RIP
Thursday 13 th January (<i>Feast of St Kentigern</i>)	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Friday 14 th January	9.30am	St John the Baptist	
Saturday 15 th January	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Saturday 15 th January (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	
Sunday 16 th January	9.30am	St Kentigern	
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	
	6.00pm	St Kentigern	
Confessions	Saturday 10.00am-10.15am – St Kentigern's Saturday 5.15pm-5.40pm – St John the Baptist		
Rosary	Tuesday 8pm on Zoom. Please email the parish to register for the link.		
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH PRAISE AND WORSHIP	Wednesday 12th January, 7.30-8.30pm, St John the Baptist. "Come, praise the Lord!" Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, songs of praise, time for silence, rosary decade, scripture reading. All welcome.		

Baptism of the Lord: With the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord we mark the end of Christmastime. The Christmas Crib and the Advent wreath and the tree must all be put away for another year. We have celebrated the birth of our Lord and the visit of wise men bearing gifts in acknowledgement of this child's divine origin and his mission to bring healing to a broken world by his sacrifice. Today we celebrate the activation of his mission as an adult to proclaim the good news of God's kingdom and the approach of his reign. All are invited to be baptised by him with the Holy Spirit and fire to establish God's reign in their hearts. No reign of terror here, only the reign of pure love bestowed as from a parent to a child. The reign of love over us and in us propels us to *"be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus"*

Marriage Matters (reflections from www.twainoneflesh.org.uk): *Baptism of the Lord –*

Being what we promised to be - Today's feast tells us who Jesus really is; it calls us to be what we promised at our wedding – a sign to the world of God's love for all of us. At the core of this commitment is the undertaking to trust our spouse with who we really are – feelings, thoughts, ideas; all that makes us who we are today.

Children's Sacramental Preparation: At this Sunday's Masses the children of the parish beginning their preparations for Reconciliation and first Holy Communion will celebrate the Rite of Enrolment. Please pray for them that God's reign of love may take hold of their hearts and lead them to lives of true discipleship.

Thank you! Special thanks to all those who contributed to the beautiful Christmas season liturgies in both churches: sacristans, passkeepers, musicians and singers, readers, ministers, flowers, Christmas trees, cribs, cleaners, hospitality, children's activities, office. Everyone pulled together in difficult circumstances and it was all very lovely in spite of everything else going on. Well done! Thanks to Fr Henry for covering during my absence and sincere thanks to everyone for your cards and gifts during the season. It is all very much appreciated. God bless you. *Fr Jeremy*

Synod 2021-2023: The PPC have decided to hold two parish synod meetings as follows.

Parish Synod Meeting 1 (COMMUNION & PARTICIPATION) - **Saturday 15th January**, after the 9.30am Mass, St Kentigern's hall.

1. What does participation in the life of the parish mean?
2. What would my meaningful participation in the parish look like?
3. How can we, as a parish, reach out to those who don't feel welcome or are no longer interested in Jesus Christ?

Parish Synod Meeting 2 (MISSION) – **Saturday 19th February**, 10.30am, St John's Hall

1. What is the work of a missionary disciple? Do I believe that God has called me to follow him as a disciple?
2. How can our parish be a light for our community, to share with others the love of Jesus and his saving truth?
3. How can I respond to these questions? What can I realistically give?

You can now register for the meetings on Eventbrite [HERE](#) or by calling Marlene McCallum on 07748 817878.

Deanery Synod Meetings – The synod process of reflecting together is being carried at all organisational levels in the Church across the world. St Giles' Deanery, which includes all the parishes in the City of Edinburgh, will be hosting two synod events at St Mary's Cathedral.

1. Wednesday 19th January - the first event is a preparatory Holy Hour. It will start at 7:30pm.
2. Wednesday 26th January - the second event is the synodal meeting itself. It will start at 7:00pm.
 - In each deanery, every parish has been asked to send up to five delegates to its deanery-specific event. This will help to ensure adequate representation from across the deanery. We will elect our parish delegates at the first parish synod meeting on 15th January.
 - Delegates should attend both the Holy Hour and the synodal meeting.
 - The meetings are open to all. So, as well as the 'official' delegates, all are welcome and encouraged to attend.
 - There is no need to submit names or numbers in advance.

Synod meetings at every level involve group discussions, or 'spiritual conversations'. Please watch this 60 sec videoguide on spiritual conversations at bit.ly/SpiritualConversations as preparation for the meetings.

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Diploma in Catechetics 2022: When does the Diploma in Catechetics start? We begin 27th January and finish 8th December, with a break over the summer holidays.

- How do I sign up? You can register through Eventbrite here: bit.ly/DiplomaCatechetics2022
- How much is the Diploma in Catechetics? The cost is £200. Contact SrAnna.Marie@staned.org.uk for information about bursaries, student rates, and scheduled payments.
- What's involved? Each week, content is delivered via Zoom from a variety of instructors from all over the Archdiocese. Please see the flyer for a list of the modules and classes. After each module, participants have a one to one interview with Sr Anna Marie, the course leader, to go over the content and revisit questions they may have.

Music Day: This takes place on **Saturday 22 January** at the Gillis Centre, Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, 10:00am-3:30pm. The theme is Liturgical Music Making in a Post-Pandemic World. Details to follow.

Christian Meditation: Experience how Christian Meditation with others leads you to the joy of God's healing. We meditate in person at 63 York Place on Fridays at 7.30 p.m. Afterwards you are welcome for refreshments and to socialize. On Wednesdays at 7 p.m. we meditate online on Zoom. The up-to-date schedule is here: <https://www.meetup.com/Christian-Meditation-Group/events/>. Contact info - mobile: 0771 777 2614 Facebook: <http://on.fb.me/1cu05QJ>

Please pray for:

- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that the Lord may hold them up.
- All those who have died recently – Rina D'Angelo, Ruby Hudson, Sheelagh Jamieson and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

Parish Contacts and Communication details: Fr Jeremy/parish business: parish.turnhouse@gmail.com.

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

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