

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 30th January 2022
Fourth Sunday of the Year

COVID Reminder!
Sanitise - Masks - Space

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the following week

Saturday 29 th January (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Maria Dariu RIP
Sunday 30 th January	9.30am	St Kentigern	People of the Parish
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	Eileen Montgomery
	6.00pm	St Kentigern	
Monday 31 st January (<i>St John Bosco</i>)	<i>No Service</i>		
Tuesday 1 st February	9.30am	St Kentigern	Baby Annie Molloy RIP
Funeral Mass for Sadie Corbett	2.00pm	St John the Baptist	Sadie Corbett RIP
Wednesday 2 nd February	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Eileen Feeney RIP
Thursday 3 rd February	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Friday 4 th February	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Donor's Intention
Saturday 5 th February	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Saturday 5 th February (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Michael Patrick Boyle RIP
Sunday 6 th February	9.30am	St Kentigern	Mary O'Donnell RIP
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	People of the Parish
	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.		
First Saturday Devotions	Saturday 5 th February, St John the Baptist, 4.30pm.		

4th Sunday of the Year: God's care for the unborn child is manifest in his words to Jeremiah, "before I formed you in the womb I knew you." Conception is a moment of transition from being known and loved in the mind of God to becoming an ensouled physical being in the world. Known and loved, Jeremiah was chosen to be a prophet to the nations, looking forward to the fulfilment of God's plan of salvation for the whole human race. Jesus fulfils that plan by proclaiming good news to all people, not just his own. The forgiveness of sins, the call to new life in the Spirit, the promise of salvation and eternal life are not just for one nation, they are for all. Jesus' Good News will find a welcome reception wherever there is a human heart that is pliable enough to allow God's will to be done.

Marriage Matters (reflections from www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk): 4th Sunday of the Year

We reflect God's love - Through our marriage we become a living flesh and blood sacrament of our Church! Saint Paul says 'be ambitious for the higher gifts'. Our love isn't just a warm feeling but an action; it flourishes in being given attention to and nurtured. In this way we become a sacramental 'sign' of God's love for our children, family, friends and Church.

Synod 2021-2023: The second parish synod meeting will be held on **Saturday 19th February**, 10.30am, St John's Hall on the theme MISSION - **You can register for the meeting on Eventbrite [HERE](#) or by calling Marlene McCallum on 07748 817878.**

White Flower Appeal: At Masses this weekend there will be an appeal and special collection in support of SPUC Scotland. There are some Gift Aid envelopes available in the churches.

Rite of Illumination: Next Sunday **6th February**, all the children of the parish preparing for Reconciliation will celebrate this preparatory rite. Please bring your child's baptismal candle for the celebration.

Thank you! Our special Christmas collections this year, including the memorial stars and crib boxes, raised a total of £530.14 which will be divided equally between the homeless projects run in Edinburgh by the Missionaries of Charity (Hopetoun Crescent) and the Sisters of Mercy (Lauriston Gardens).

ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

National Synod event: The Bishops' Conference of Scotland (BCOS) hosts 'Synodality in the Life & Mission of the Church' at 2pm on **Saturday 12 February**. The keynote speaker will be Cardinal Mario Grech, General Secretary of the Synod of Bishops. This online event will be streamed on the BCOS YouTube channel at bit.ly/BCOSYouTube

Called and Gifted Workshop: You have received gifts in Baptism and Confirmation through which God intends His love to reach others. Come and discover these charisms in you at the *Called and Gifted Workshop*. It takes place at 9-5pm on **Saturday 19th February**, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road and is hosted by the Archdiocese's Catechetics Commission. To register and for more info please email SrAnna.Marie@staned.org.uk

Becoming and Making Disciples Today: The Archdiocese is hosting a *Forming Intentional Disciples* workshop, where you can learn how God is at work in your life and in the lives of others. It will show how each of us can be an instrument in God's hand as we walk as His disciples. **The three-day workshop starts on Friday 25th February** at St Kentigern's Church, 26-28 Parkgrove Avenue. To register and for more info please email SrAnna.Marie@staned.org.uk

Events for married/engaged couples: The Archdiocese is hosting events for married and engaged couples in the lead up to the 10th World Meeting of Families (Rome 22-26 June 2022). These events are for couples to come before the Lord together in reflection on the beautiful Catholic vision of marriage and family life, thanksgiving for the gift of this calling and prayer for the blessing of their love. The reflections will draw on themes developed in Pope Francis' Encyclical *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love). Register at bit.ly/ArchEventbrite. The events take place at Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road (except the Mass):

- Sunday 6th March 4.00-5.00pm - Holy Hour with Archbishop Leo Cushley.
- Sunday 3rd April 4.00-5.30pm - Testimony and Holy Hour with Anton and Angela Colella.
- Sunday 8th May 3.00-5.30pm - Afternoon Retreat with Brian and Maureen Devine.
- Wednesday 18th May 7.00pm - Mass for Married and Engaged Couples, [St Mary's Cathedral](#).

The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. The weekend will take place from **25th-27th March 2022**. For details contact: Catherine on 0131 665 3383 or email: beginningexperiencescotland@hotmail.com. **Completed Applications must be returned by 12th March.**

Pro-Life opportunity: Do you have experience in Adobe, particularly in Design and Photoshop? Could you help Stanton Healthcare, a new pregnancy support charity, with their images and brochures? Find out more from Paul Atkin at the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office - paul.atkin@staned.org.uk

SPUC Youth Conference: The largest UK pro-life youth conference takes place **25-27 February** in Stone, Staffordshire. It's open to people aged 16-35 and a chance to meet fellow young pro-life leaders, be inspired and have fun. Register at <https://www.spuc.org.uk/youthconference2022> Sponsorship available to young people in our Archdiocese. Please contact the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office: prolife@staned.org.uk

Alma Mater Fund: The Alma Mater Fund is an initiative of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, which provides financial grants to pregnant students facing difficulties at university to support them in pursuing their academic and personal goals. For more information, visit almamaterfund.org.uk or email info@almamaterfund.org.uk.

Online Event: To mark International Day of Human Fraternity an event takes place on Zoom at 6pm on **Friday 4 February**. Dr Sara Parvis and Sr Fatemah Araghi will discuss the principles of faith and dignity in relation to women. Register on Eventbrite by searching 'International Day of Human Fraternity – Women in Dialogue'.

National safeguarding update: The new Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency has been established as an independent body to oversee the Church's safeguarding practice. The latest issue of the *Safeguarding Matters* newsletter provides details of what the agency will do (available at bit.ly/3tyelnn). Lady Rae is looking to recruit people to act as Board Directors to support the work of the agency. Details at <https://aspenpeople.co.uk/microsite/scssa/>

Please pray for:

- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that the Lord may hold them up.
- Sadie Corbett who died recently, may she rest in peace and rise to the glory of God. Sadie's Funeral Mass will take place at St John's on Tuesday 1st February at 2.00pm.
- All those who have died recently – Rina D'Angelo and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

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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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