

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 13th February 2022 – Sixth Sunday of the Year
A very warm welcome to Mass today

COVID Reminder!
Sanitise - Masks - Space

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the following week

Saturday 12 th February (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Louis Rocco Valente RIP
Sunday 13 th February	9.30am	St Kentigern	Barry Family
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	
	6.00pm	St Kentigern	
Monday 14 th February (<i>St Cyril & St Methodius</i>)	<i>No Service</i>		
Tuesday 15 th February	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Wednesday 16 th February	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Donor's Intention
Thursday 17 th February (<i>St Scholastica</i>)	9.30am	St Kentigern	Patricia Murphy RIP
Friday 18 th February	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Kathleen Smith RIP
Saturday 19 th February	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Saturday 19 th February (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	David McGurhaghan RIP
Sunday 20 th February	9.30am	St Kentigern	
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	Padraig Fitzgerald RIP
	6.00pm	St Kentigern	
Confessions	Saturday 10.00am-10.15am – St Kentigern's Saturday 5.15pm-5.40pm – St John the Baptist		
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH PRAISE AND WORSHIP	Wednesday 16th February, 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.		
Rosary	Wednesday 8pm on Zoom. Please email the parish to register for the link.		

Keeping Sundays Holy

Given the easing of restrictions in every other walk of life, the Church looks forward to welcoming everyone back to Holy Mass. The obligation for Catholics to celebrate Sunday as a Holy Day by gathering together for Mass will be restored from the First Sunday in Lent, Sunday 6th March. As always, the obligation does not apply to those who are sick and their carers or to those aware of their greater vulnerability to the virus.

6th Sunday of the Year: 'Happy you who are poor, you who are hungry, you who weep, you who are hated on account of the Son of Man.' These words of Jesus make no sense at all if we are totally earth-bound in our outlook on life. If we live for the risen Lord, however, trusting in his victory over sin and death and knowing that his resurrection from the dead signals our own hope of eternal joy, then Jesus' words are truth and they are life.

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.**

Money Counters: we need several volunteers in both churches to form rotas for each church for counting the Sunday collections. During the last two years, a lot of people have moved to paying their offering by standing order and so the amount of cash to be counted each week is not very great and so does not take very long. Counters will always work in pairs and full instruction on recording the count will be given. Any previous counters who are willing to return are very welcome but we

really do need new people to come forward to offer their time for the good of the parish in this small but essential job. Please let Fr Jeremy or David Cameron know if you are able to help.

Gift Aid: Sincere thanks to everyone who contributes financially to support the Parish. The 25% extra received from taxpayers who sign up for Gift Aid is a welcome bonus. Parishioners who choose to contribute by Standing Order earn the same 25% rebate - and also save the cost of envelopes. Next financial year's envelopes will soon be available in the porch before Mass and at the end of Mass. ****Please remember to collect yours from March 6th.**

- If you would consider changing from envelopes to a Standing Order, please get in touch.
- If you are a tax payer and would like to sign up for Gift Aid Envelopes or a Standing Order (at no additional cost to you) please contact fionaconnell12@gmail.com or Tel: 01315394583

Lastly, the new sets of envelopes have a special Christmas Day envelope, for those who wish to use it.

Pancake Sunday! St Andrew's Primary School Parent Council are hosting a pancake morning on **Sunday 27th February** in St Kentigern's Church Hall and you are all warmly invited to join us after Mass for pancakes with butter, jam or chocolate spread and tea, coffee or juice. All donations welcome and all funds raised will go towards the pupils end of year school trip in June.

St Kentigern's SSV will resume holding their collection boxes at the end of Mass from next Sunday 20th February.

The Scottish Catholic: If you would like to order a copy of this new magazine or if you wish to cancel your order, please let Fr Jeremy know so that the numbers of pre-ordered copies can be adjusted accordingly. It comes out every two weeks @ £2.

Thank you from the Missionaries of Charity and St Catharine's Homeless Project for our Christmas Crib and Tree donations *"Keep the joy of loving Jesus in the poor and in the Eucharist and share this joy with all that you meet" St Mother Teresa.*

The SPUC White Flower Appeal raised £647.23. Many thanks.

Parish Pastoral Council: meeting on Thursday (17th Feb) this week. Please email Marlene McCallum (marlenemccallum9@gmail.com) if you have any suggestions/concerns you wish to raise.

ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

Vacancy: The Archdiocese is recruiting an Adviser in Religious Education (primary schools). While the post is full-time, applicants looking for part-time or flexible working patterns are also encouraged to apply. Please see <http://www.archedinburgh.org.uk/news-events> for full details.

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: For couples to come together before the Lord to reflect, pray and give thanks. 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](http://www.stmaryscathedral.org.uk).

Rediscover Your Marriage: The Retrouvaille programme offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Many headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information or to register for the programme, which begins with a virtual weekend **3-6 March**, call/text 0788 7296983 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com The website is at www.retrouvaille.org.uk

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.**

African/Caribbean Mass: A new monthly African/Caribbean Mass for the Archdiocese will be celebrated at St Patrick's, Cowgate, Edinburgh, at 1pm on **Sunday 6 March**. All welcome.

Please pray for:

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

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

Safeguarding: St John's – Clare Hastie pscstj@gmail.com; St Kentigern's – Michael Balfour pscstk@gmail.com

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

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