

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 22nd May 2022 – Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year C)

A very warm welcome to Mass today

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the following week

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| Saturday 21 st May (<i>Vigil</i>) | 6.00pm | St John the Baptist | Margaret Costello RIP |
| Sunday 22 nd May | 9.30am | St Kentigern | People of the Parish |
| | 11.30am | St John the Baptist | Maria & Roman Gonzalez RIP |
| | 6.00pm | St Kentigern | Tracey Phillips S.I. |
| Monday 23 rd May | <i>No Service</i> | | |
| Tuesday 24 th May | 9.30am | St Kentigern | Dennis Phillips RIP |
| Wednesday 25 th May (<i>St Bede</i>) | 9.30am | St John the Baptist | Ina Bogle RIP |
| Wednesday 25th May (<i>Vigil of the Ascension</i>) | 7.00pm | St John the Baptist | |
| Thursday 26th May (<i>Solemnity of the Ascension, a Holyday of Obligation</i>) | 10.00am | St Kentigern (with School) | Christine Sohler RIP |
| Thursday 26th May (<i>Mass of the Ascension with Confirmations celebrated by Archbishop Cushley</i>) | 7.00pm | St Kentigern | Special Intention |
| Friday 27 th May | 9.30am | St John the Baptist | Colm Morgan RIP |
| Saturday 28 th May | 9.30am | St Kentigern | |
| Saturday 28 th May (<i>Vigil</i>) | 6.00pm | St John the Baptist | |
| Sunday 29 th May | 9.30am | St Kentigern | Charlie McFadden RIP |
| | 11.30am | St John the Baptist | People of the Parish |
| | 6.00pm | St Kentigern | Annakutty Chacko RIP |

Confessions:

Saturday 10.00am-10.15am – St Kentigern's
Saturday 5.15pm-5.40pm – St John the Baptist

Rosary:

During May, before Sunday morning Masses and after Mass on Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri.

A prayer for peace in Ukraine: *O Loving God, your Son, Jesus Christ, came into the world to do your Will and leave us His Peace. Through the intercession and example of our Blessed Mother Mary, Queen of Peace, grant us the wisdom and humility to reflect that peace to the world. Inspire our thoughts, words and deeds to bear witness to your presence in our hearts. May your Holy Spirit fill us with every grace and blessing so that we may pursue what leads to peace for all humanity. Amen*

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord: One of the great feasts of the Church year, the Ascension commemorates God's final passing from his physical presence on earth as the Lord Jesus to make way for his spiritual presence among us as the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. As a Holy Day of Obligation, it is a sacred duty of all Catholics to observe this feast by attending Mass. Please note the times of Mass in the schedule above, including the Vigil on Wednesday evening at St John's. The morning Mass at St Kentigern's on Thursday is at the slightly later time of 10am to help the school attend. The evening Mass at 7pm is celebrated by Archbishop Cushley and during Mass he will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the children of our parish and also St Margaret's, South Queensferry. Parishioners are welcome to attend this Mass and celebrate with our children and their families. There'll be some refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Congratulations! On Wednesday at the Cathedral Archbishop Cushley celebrated a special Mass for Engaged and Married Couples at which the longest married couple were invited to cut the cake afterwards. The honours went to our very own Vincent and Helen Robinson who have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary this year! Congratulations and all blessing to them! You can see some pics from the event at <https://archedinburgh.org/tonight-mass-for-married-engaged-couples/>

Praying With the Sunday Readings Group St John the Baptist Church every Friday after 9.30 am Holy Mass at St John's.

St Kentigern's Monthly Community Lunch: Our popular Community Lunch resumes on **Tuesday 7th June**, 12.30 pm – 2.00pm in the Parish Hall, after a longer than expected enforced break. We hope to welcome back all our 'old' friends and encourage and welcome new parishioners from across the parish, friends and also members of the wider community to come along. It

is a good opportunity to meet and socialise over a light lunch of soup and sandwiches, cake and refreshments (and there is a free raffle too!). *So why not give your usual coffee house a miss every month and come along to your local Parish Hall instead – a warm welcome awaits, good company, good food and its cheaper too!!* A donation of £3.00 is suggested to cover costs. SPREAD THE WORD!

Special Collection: TODAY, Sunday, 22nd May, a special collection will be taken to support the work of the Bishop's of Scotland Communication apostolate.

Knights of St Columba: The Knights are coming to our Parish on **Sunday 29th May** to speak briefly about their work and hopefully attract some new members. There are some leaflets at the back of the churches also.

St Andrew's School Fundraiser: Maarten van der Hoeven is undertaking a mammoth 1000 mile cycle ride from Land's End to John O'Groats to raise money for St Andrew's School. You can sponsor Maarten at <https://localgiving.org/fundraising/lejog22/>

St John the Baptist Society of St Vincent de Paul Conference has now been able to restart visiting parishioners in their own homes and having our regular meetings in the parish house. We would like to thank those wonderful people who run the Wednesday coffee morning after Mass. They have very kindly given our conference the proceeds of these mornings which has amounted to £221.22. This money is being divided among various initiatives which we support including local families who are finding themselves in difficulty especially in these very worrying times. Marie Allan (President of SSVP).

Special Collection - Day for Life (5 June): The Day for Life collection this year will be used to help protect and care for our families and friends as they near the end of life. The collection supports quality palliative care to provide dignity to the dying while valuing life to its natural end, as well as organisations working to protect the disabled from changes in the law. A special collection will take place at Mass. Alternatively, donate direct to bit.ly/archdayforlife

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Queen's Jubilee Celebration: Archbishop Leo will celebrate a special Mass of Thanksgiving at **Noon on Sunday 5 June** to mark the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen. This will be a lovely and joyful celebration and will finish with a champagne reception after the Mass. All welcome.

Date for your Diary - Corpus Christi Procession: As part of the Eucharistic renewal in the Archdiocese this liturgical year, led by Archbishop Cushley, you are invited to take part in a Corpus Christi procession at St Francis Xavier's in Falkirk on **Sunday 19 June** (time tbc). This is a major event for the Archdiocese and a beautiful and prayerful experience (as well as a chance to be a witness to the Eucharistic Christ in public).

10th World Meeting of Families: This is a big event taking place in Rome 22-26 June to celebrate the role of the family in the Church and wider society. Pope Francis has written about the importance of family in his encyclical *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love). Want to know more? The Archdiocese has posted three talks on its YouTube channel. View the playlist at bit.ly/ArchFamily2022

Family Afternoon: To celebrate the World Meeting of Families, a Family Afternoon at the Gillis Centre takes place on **Saturday 25 June, 2.00pm-5.00pm**. It will include separate sessions for adults and children focusing on *The Eucharist: Source of Family Love*, family prayer time in St Margaret's Chapel and family games. This event coincides with the 10th World Meeting of Families taking place in Rome. Details and registration at bit.ly/ArchEventbrite

Venerable Margaret Sinclair: The monthly Mass to pray for the canonisation of Venerable Margaret Sinclair is on the first Tuesday of each month at **1:30pm (7 June)** at St Patrick's Church in the Cowgate. The national Venerable Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage is on **Sunday 18 September**. More details will follow soon. Find out more about this holy Edinburgh woman at www.margaretsinclair.scot

Lourdes: If you're a nurse please consider taking part in the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 8-15 July. The pilgrimage committee is looking for a night nurse (full funding available) and other nurses to join the medical team. Contact Claire Banks, chief nurse, on 07930 928489 for more info. There is also still space for assisted pilgrims who will have 24hr care on the pilgrimage. Helpers and hotel pilgrims are also welcome. More info at www.edinburgh-lourdes.com

Please pray for:

- The children of the Parish who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 26th May. May the Holy Spirit lead them to all truth and a life of discipleship in the Lord.
- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that the Lord may hold them up.
- All those who have died recently – Pat McLaughlin, Fr John Morrison, Irene Inglis and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

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