## Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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## Sunday 11th June 2023 - Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

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Angelus	Before the Vigil Mass at 5.55pm on Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June we'll pray the Angelus in honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.			
Adoration & Rosary	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June 7pm at St John the Baptist; Glorious Mysteries			
Confessions	Saturday 10.00am-10.15am – St Kentigern's; Saturday 5.15pm-5.40pm – St John the Baptist			
		11.30am	St John the Baptist	Ewan Macpherson RIP
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June (Eleventh Sunday of the Year)		9.30am	St Kentigern	People of the Parish
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June ( <i>Vigil</i> )		6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Agnes Cooper RIP
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June (Immaculate Heart of the BVM)		9.30am	St Kentigern	
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June (The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus)		9.30am	St John the Baptist	Special Intention
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June		9.30am	St Kentigern	Mairi-Therese Gilfedder S.I.
Funeral Mass for Dorothy Burnett		2.00pm	St John the Baptist	Dorothy Burnett RIP
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June		9.30am	St John the Baptist	Celine Harrison S.I.
Funeral Mass for Bridget Callacher		9.30am	St Kentigern	Bridget Callacher RIP
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June <i>(St Anthony of Padua)</i>				
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June		No Service		,
,		11.30am	St John the Baptist	John & Dorothy Buchanan S.I.
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> June		9.30am	St Kentigern	People of the Parish
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> June ( <i>Vigil</i> )		6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Ward Family S.I.



**Sunday Readings:** At this Solemnity we celebrate God's greatest gift to us, the Holy Eucharist. In this most precious of Sacraments the Lord invites us to participate in a moment of encounter with the unseen heavenly reality through the visible signs of bread and wine. Every Mass is a meeting of heaven and earth and at the moment of consecration, the bread and wine become the heavenly substance that is Jesus' risen Body and Blood where human nature is brought into communion with the divine life of the Most Holy Trinity. In receiving the gift of Holy Communion we receive the real food and drink that conforms us to the pattern of Christ and strengthens us for the road ahead.

<u>Congratulations!</u> to Noah, Isabella, Leon, Rachel, Reuben, Olivia, Antoni, Kate, Elin, Nadia, Stella, Lily, Lewis and Albert who celebrated their first Holy Communion on Saturday at St Kentigern's. May the Lord grant them and their families every blessing at this special time. We pray that they may truly know the love of God poured out on them through the sacred gift of Holy Communion and that the Eucharist will be always at the very heart of their lives.

YOU HAVE PREPARED A BANQUET FOR ME

Voting Rights of Church representatives on Edinburgh City Council: Edinburgh City Council is to vote on a motion which proposes the removal of voting rights of Church Representatives on its Education, Children and Families Committee. If this motion is carried it will pose a serious threat to the capacity of the Church to influence decisions regarding Catholic education and Catholic schools. Postcards are available at the back of the church so you can send to your councillor(s) to make your feelings known. Template letters are also available. (An editable Word version of the letter is available at bit.ly/edinletterdownload). Find out who your councillor is at: bit.ly/edinburghcouncillors

• It is vital that you contact your Councillor(s) before the vote is expected to be taken on **22**<sup>nd</sup> **June**. **Please contact your Councillor this week**.

<u>Day for Life</u>: The Bishops' Conference of Scotland has moved the Day for Life to <u>18 June</u> (it is in the Liturgical Calendar as 31 May). A special collection will be taken for the Apostolate for Life next weekend 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> June.

<u>Parish Annual BBQ</u>: This will take place on <u>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June after the 11.30am Mass at St John's</u>, come and celebrate the Patronal Feast of St John the Baptist in the company of your church community and with some lovely BBQ food and drink and a bouncy castle for the children. Sounds great! All parishioners, family and friends are warmly invited to come along to make this a wonderful festive occasion and social event for our <u>whole</u> parish – St John's <u>and</u> St Kentigern's.

• If you can help out with the event do please come along to a short planning meeting after 11.30am Mass in the parish house on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June. Many hands make light work!

<u>The Universe Catholic Weekly</u>: The Universe has launched a hard copy of the paper to give readers the option - hard copy or digital. The parish has ordered a small supply and will gauge uptake over the next few months. It's published weekly at £3.50.

St Andrew's School P7 Camp Fundraising: St Andrew's School P7 class will be holding a variety of fundraising events to raise sufficient funds to lower the cost and enable all pupils to go on the P7 school camp next year. The cost of the camp is not subsidised by the council or the school so any donation however small is gratefully appreciated. Follow the link to P7 (2024) Residential Camp.

<u>Holy Cross Academy Former Pupils Reunion</u>: If you or your friends would like a reunion with other Former Pupils then please send your name and the years when you started and left Holy Cross Academy, Edinburgh to Michael Balfour at <a href="mailto:mjbgen19@gmail.com">mjbgen19@gmail.com</a> or telephone 07484 620 635 by 30 June 2023. We aim to reply by 31 July 2023

<u>Christian Persecution in Nigeria</u> – Speaker Ven. Mark Mukan, Anglican Diocese of Jos; **Thursday 15**<sup>th</sup> **June**, 7.30pm at St Thomas' Church, 75-79 Glasgow Road. See poster

## Please pray for:

- Rosie Sianowska, who will be baptised and welcomed with joy to the life of grace at St John's on Sunday afternoon.
- John & Dorothy Buchanan, who celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this Sunday. The Lord bless them with every grace.
- Ronald Brown, Bridget Callacher, Dorothy Burnett and Bernadette Mackie who died recently. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.
  - o Bridget Callacher Funeral Mass, St Kentigern's, Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 9.30am and onwards to Warriston Crematorium.
  - o Dorothy Burnett Funeral Mass, St John's, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2pm and onwards to Mortonhall Crematorium.
  - o Bernadette Mackie Funeral Mass, St Kentigern's, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 9.30am and onwards to Corstorphine Hill.
  - o Ronald Brown Funeral Service, Warriston Crematorium, Wednesday 21st June at 1:30pm
- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that the Lord may grant them comfort and strength.
- All those who have died recently, Anne Farmer, Eric McFadyen, and those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

## ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

<u>A Corpus Christi procession</u> will take place in Falkirk town centre <u>at 2:30pm on TODAY, Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June</u>. The procession will head to St Francis Xavier's Church for Benediction followed by refreshments in the church hall. Altar Servers can wear their altar robes and those who have recently had their First Holy Communion can wear their dresses/suits.

St Margaret's Pilgrimage 2023: St Margaret Pilgrimage returns to Dunfermline on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Mass is at 2:30pm in St Margaret's Memorial Church in East Port, with Archbishop Cushley as principal celebrant. Prior to that there is an ecumenical service at 12:30pm in Dunfermline Abbey, followed by prayers at the tomb of St Margaret. Join people from across the Archdiocese and beyond to give thanks to God for St Margaret's example of faith, charity and leadership.

<u>Compassion to Hope</u>: event to celebrate the lives of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers in Scotland, with 'music, poetry, silence and celebration'. This event takes place **on Tuesday 20**<sup>th</sup> **June at 4:30pm** in the hall of Sacred Heart Church, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ.

<u>Vocations Mass</u>: The next Mass to pray for Vocations to the priesthood and religious life is **at 7pm on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** at St Margaret's, Hope View, Loch Road, South Queensferry, EH30 9LS.

Study Theology in Edinburgh: Thinking of supporting your professional, academic and faith development? The MA in Applied Catholic Theology is offered by St Mary's University in Scotland, in partnership with the Archdiocese, at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh, from September 2023. The course provides a thorough grounding in key aspects of Catholic theology and develops the skills to apply that theology to the contemporary world. Teaching is flexible and this programme is suitable for graduates of most academic disciplines. To find out more watch the webinar: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/theology2023">bit.ly/theology2023</a>. To register/enquire visit <a href="https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/applied-catholic-theology">https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/applied-catholic-theology</a>