

# Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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**Church of St John the Baptist**

37 St Ninian's Road  
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**Church of St Kentigern**

26 Parkgrove Avenue  
Edinburgh EH4 7QR

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Second Sunday of Lent, Yr B

A warm welcome to Mass today

Parish Offertory donations can now be made online. Scan the QR code to go to the parish online giving page. Please Gift Aid if you can. Thank you so much!

> About to make/change a Will? Have you considered leaving a legacy to your parish?



Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February (Vigil)

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March (Vigil)

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

6.00pm

9.30am

11.30am

No Service

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Eileen Feeney RIP

People of the Parish

William & Ellen Forker RIP

Wilma Abella S.I.

Daphne Wendt RIP

Joan McNally RIP

Des Wilcock RIP

Bridie Goonan RIP

Tracy Hewison RIP

People of the Parish

David Clark RIP

**Confessions**

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

**Adoration and Rosary**

Wednesday 7.00pm, St Kentigern's, Glorious Mysteries

**First Friday Devotions**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March, after 9.30am Mass at St John's, Divine Mercy Prayers

**First Saturday Devotions**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 4.30pm – 5.30pm, St John the Baptist

## Lent Devotions:

- **Stations of the Cross** – Wednesdays and Thursdays after Mass. **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – after 6pm vigil Mass**
- **Eucharistic Adoration** – Wednesdays 7.00pm (+ Rosary) alternating between the two churches (see above) and Fridays after Mass (for 30 minutes).
- **Sycamore Faith Renewal Course** – Tuesdays at 7.00pm, St John's Church Hall
- **Mass, Adoration and Confessions** on Mondays 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> March 7.00pm at St John's
- **Reconciliation Service** - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 7.00pm at St Kentigern's

## St Kentigern's Fire Drill

At the end of Mass today we will be implementing a mandatory fire evacuation drill. As soon as you hear the alarm go off please leave the church by the nearest exit **as directed by the passkeepers**. Leave hymn books on the seats and lift kneelers. Please do not be worried or panic this is only a drill but to achieve our exit times please leave as fast as possible as directed. Anyone with disabilities or if you need any help please stay in your seat and a Passkeeper will direct you. The assembly points are the grass areas outside the gates on Parkgrove Avenue and the church carpark. There will be teas and coffees afterwards as normal so once the alarm has stopped it is safe to go back inside and also collect any belongings you may have left. We apologise for any inconvenience but we are obliged to have occasional fire drills.

## Please pray for:

- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that the Lord grant them healing, comfort and strength, including: Eileen Black
- All those who died recently, Renata McLaren, Bernard Murphy, Desmond Quigley, Fr Tom McNulty, and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.



**Parish Faith Renewal Course: 3rd Session – “The Holy Spirit and the Church?” - Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 7-9pm, St John’s Hall.** Come and share food and company, watch the video and share thoughts in small groups. Themes of the week - How the Holy Spirit can change your life. No one gets into heaven alone. Why we need signs, symbols and sacraments.

**Edinburgh Food Project:** Next collection **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**. Urgently required items: Tinned - cold meat, fruit, custard/rice pudding, vegetables and fish; UHT milk, long life fruit juice, coffee, sugar, rice, jam, pasta/curry sauce, shampoo and toilet rolls. Please leave donations in the baskets provided. Thank you.

**St Kentigern’s Monthly Community Lunch - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**, 12.30 pm – 2.00pm in the Parish Hall. It’s a great opportunity to meet and socialise over a light lunch of soup and sandwiches, cake and refreshments (and there is a free raffle too!). Suggested donation £3.00. *See you there!!!*

**Easter Charity Fair:** Please come and join us on **17<sup>th</sup> March after 9:30 Mass** at St Kentigerns Church Hall. Donations for the Tombola and Chocolate Tombola stalls would be appreciated. Please leave your donation in the Parish Room. Thank you.

**Gaza Ceasefire Lenten Pilgrimage:** This Lent, a global movement is walking in prayerful solidarity with the people of Gaza. Come walk with us as we walk the entire Waters of Leith in sections, on Friday afternoons, during Lent. During each walk, there will be moments for prayer for the people of Gaza and also time to connect directly with a group from Bethlehem as they pray the rosary. **Walk 2 – 1st March: 1.30 pm Slateford to Stockbridge** – 4 miles (approx). Meeting point – Water of Leith Visitor Centre (served by No.44 bus, journey time approx 10 mins from Haymarket). [See noticeboards for full itinerary/contact.](#)

## ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

**Job vacancy:** The Archdiocese is looking to recruit an Estates Surveyor (full-time). The role holder should have significant property related experience and ideally be RICS qualified. For details and how to apply visit [archedinburgh.org/vacancy-estates-surveyor-2/](https://archedinburgh.org/vacancy-estates-surveyor-2/). Closing date for applications is Friday 1 March.

**Legacies:** A gift in your will can support your parish, assist retired priests after a lifetime of service, help train our seminarians, or help the Church prosper in many other ways. To find out more visit <https://archedinburgh.org/legacies>

**Archdiocesan Stations of the Cross: Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> February** on Zoom at 7:45pm and lasts around 30 minutes. We will be praying for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. Register at [bit.ly/lentstations](https://bit.ly/lentstations)

**Lent video reflections:** Join Canon Hugh White each week in Lent as he reflects on the ‘Challenge of the Gospel’, in weekly videos posted each Monday morning on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel: [bit.ly/ArchYouTube](https://bit.ly/ArchYouTube)

**Remembering Service:** A service for those who have suffered the loss of a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, takes place on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**, 5:00pm at St John the Baptist RC Church. It is a chance to have time in quiet surroundings to fully recognise the loss and to help with healing. Those who wish to come in love and support are also welcome. The service is ecumenical and open to all. *There are flyers available in both churches to pass on to anyone you think might welcome it.*

**Day for Catechists:** If you are involved with RCIA, children’s liturgy, sacramental preparation or any other catechist role, please register for the Archdiocesan *Day for Catechists* at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on **Saturday 9 March** from 10:30am-3:00pm. While the day is aimed at Catechists, all are welcome. Visit <https://bit.ly/dayforcatechists>

**Pathways of Hope:** A forum on Catholic Social Teaching and Poverty titled ‘Pathways of Hope’ takes place on **Saturday 16 March** 10:30am-3:00pm at The Gillis Centre. Register at [bit.ly/pathwaysofhopeevent](https://bit.ly/pathwaysofhopeevent)

**Called to be Saints - Youth Day:** A day of inspiration, friendship and prayer for S1-S4 pupils that asks the question ‘*what does it to be a saint in the modern world?*’ Run by Fr Robert Taylor and Fr Martin Eckersley, it features talks from guests including Judith Ralston, BBC Scotland weather presenter. It takes place on **Saturday 23 March**, midday to 4:00pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Register your child for this FREE event at [bit.ly/calledtobesaints](https://bit.ly/calledtobesaints)

**Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024:** The Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 5-12 July 2024. To find out more visit <https://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24>

**Events in the Archdiocese:** For a full list of forthcoming events visit <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>

### Parish Contacts and Communication details:

Newsletter – [office.sjohnbandkentigern@staned.org.uk](mailto:office.sjohnbandkentigern@staned.org.uk) before 5pm on Thursday for inclusion in the Sunday newsletter.

Safeguarding: St John’s – Mary Strachan; St Kentigern’s – Michael Balfour [michael.balfour@staned.org.uk](mailto:michael.balfour@staned.org.uk)

SSVP St John’s & St Kentigern’s – see parish contacts. Hall Bookings – St John’s [office.sjohnbandkentigern@staned.org.uk](mailto:office.sjohnbandkentigern@staned.org.uk); St Kentigern’s [stkenthall@gmail.com](mailto:stkenthall@gmail.com)

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