

# Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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**Church of St John the Baptist**

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26 Parkgrove Avenue  
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Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024

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

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Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March (Vigil)

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March

6.00pm

9.30am

11.30am

No Service

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Tracy Hewison RIP

People of the Parish

David Clark RIP

Pat & Bernard Murphy RIP

Clotilde Mullan RIP

Maureen Reynolds RIP

Fr Tony Quinlan S.I.

Aileen Traynor RIP

Christine Taylor RIP

Ervin Arvesu & Mavis Johns RIP

People of the Parish

**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 John the Baptist, Joyful Mysteries

**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



**Scripture Readings:** The ten commandments were given to the people of Israel as a rule of life that would keep the people set apart from other nations for the right worship of God and right practice and attitude towards other people and the goods of the world. The first and most important commandment is that the people shall have no other gods except the one, true God of heaven and earth. Jesus' anger at the sellers in the temple is directed at their idolatry. They have made a god out of commerce and money and profaned the temple by setting their idol up there. Remembering that, with Christ, each of us is a temple of the Holy Spirit, let us ask Jesus to cleanse us of our own idols.



**Please pray for:**

- The children preparing for first reconciliation who celebrate the Preparatory Rite of the Cross this Sunday. May they receive the cross as the sign of God's love for them.
- 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, and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

**Edinburgh Food Project: TODAY 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!!!*

**Men’s Faith Group** meeting on **Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> March** at 7 pm in the St John’s Parish House. All welcome.

**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: Walk 3 – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March: 1.30pm Stockbridge to Leith – 3.5 miles (approx).** Meeting point – end location of walk 2 (Stockbridge, serviced by several buses to city centre). See noticeboards for full itinerary/contact.

## ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

**Special collection:** Next weekend there will be a special collection for Papal & Episcopal Charities (including SCIAF) at all Masses. Archbishop Leo Cushley said: “The money you donate is used to support much needed projects for people in need across the world and we pray for all those involved in the charitable works of the Church. Thank you for your generosity in almsgiving during Lent.” – Archbishop Leo Cushley.

**Remembering Service:** An ecumenical service for those who have suffered the loss of a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, **TODAY 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.

**Archdiocesan Stations of the Cross: Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> March** 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)

**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)

**Faith in Scotland’s Future:** An ecumenical, non-partisan and politically neutral project exploring how folk in churches relate faith to constitutional questions in Scotland. Morningside United Church, **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 7-9pm** See Poster.

**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)

**Catholic Families for Life:** The latest issue of newsletter from the Bishops’ Commission for Marriage, Family & Life can be downloaded from [www.marriagefamilyandlife.org.uk](http://www.marriagefamilyandlife.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 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> April** at St Mary’s, Kinnoull, Perth. For details contact: Louise on 07926 571004 or email: [louisep398@gmail.com](mailto:louisep398@gmail.com). Completed applications must be returned by 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

**Two Walks for Lent:** See noticeboard for further details on two short local walks with neighbouring churches.

**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>

### Parish Contacts and Communication details:

Newsletter – [office.ssjohnbandkentigern@staned.org.uk](mailto:office.ssjohnbandkentigern@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)

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