

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 14th April 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

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!

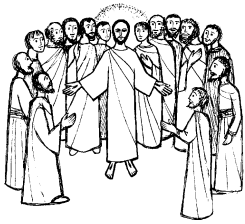
> About to make/change a Will? Have you considered leaving a legacy to your parish?



Saturday 13 th April (Vigil)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Evelyn van der Vossen RIP
Sunday 14 th April	9.30am	St Kentigern	Tom, Maureen & Chris Barry RIP
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	People of the Parish
Monday 15 th April	No Service		
Tuesday 16 th April	9.30am	St Kentigern	Steve Harrison S.I.
Wednesday 17 th April	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Geoff Harrison S.I.
Thursday 18 th April	9.30am	St Kentigern	Sheila Harrison S.I.
Friday 19 th April	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Fin Harrison S.I.
Saturday 20 th April	9.30am	St Kentigern	Harrison Family S.I.
Saturday 20 th April (Vigil)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	John Cregan RIP
Sunday 21 st April	9.30am	St Kentigern	People of the Parish
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	William Quigley

Confessions	Saturday 10.00am-10.15am – St Kentigern's; Saturday 5.15pm-5.40pm – St John the Baptist
Adoration and Rosary	Wednesday 17 th April, St Kentigern, Glorious Mysteries

Sunday Readings: 3rd Sunday of Easter – After all that has happened to him, Jesus' first risen words that many of them hear are 'Peace be with you'. With these comforting words of compassion and love the Lord shows that he is not out to condemn anyone for the sins committed against him. In fact, his suffering and death were offered for the forgiveness of sins. His message is rather for people to own up to and repent of their sins and receive the peace of his forgiveness and the true life of the Holy Spirit. The apostle's message to the Israelites who crucified the Lord in the first reading from Acts and to the community of believers in St John's first letter is just that: admit the truth of the sins you have committed but do not fear God because of them, instead, repent and know his peace and his joy.



Please pray for:

- James Alastair Martin William Nolan and Angel Celestine Abella-Headley who were baptised into the life of grace last week in St Kentigern's and St John's respectively. Congratulations to their parents and godparents!
- 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 and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.



PARISH MISSION – Saturday 18th – Friday 24th May

"The Spirit of the Lord is Upon Me!"

A week of inspiration and renewal for our parish led by the Redemptorists. The mission will include morning Mass, talks and evening services in both of our churches. Held during Pentecost week, it will be a time to receive the blessing of the Holy Spirit, his healing and courage. Be reinvigorated with the Good News of Jesus Christ, risen and powerful, and be inspired to hold up his name as a light against all darkness.

Includes: Reconciliation Service Tue 21st April, 7pm; Mass with Anointing of the Sick Thu 23rd April, 11am

This weekend we welcome among us Fr Peter Morris C.Ss.R., one of the Redemptorist's who will be leading the mission in May. He will introduce the mission to us and guide us as to how we can prepare well for it and what we can hope to gain from it.

Easter Appeal: As I have mentioned, the extent of the damage to the windows at St Kentigern's was found to be much more severe than originally thought and the estimate for replacing the windows is in excess of £80,000. The appeal is to the whole parish, recognising that we are one and that together we must look to maintaining all the buildings across the parish. There are several ways in which you can contribute if you are able. The QR code to the right of this item is dedicated to the Building Fund that will collect funds towards maintenance of all our buildings with St Kentigern's windows being the first priority (please Gift Aid if you can!). You can also access the Building Fund giving page here - bit.ly/ssjandkbuildingfund. There are also green envelopes for the Building Fund that can be returned in the church collection at any time or handed in at the Parish House (again, please Gift Aid if you can by filling in the details on the envelope). There is also a donation box marked Building Fund in both churches which you can donate to at any time. Cheques payable to 'St John the Baptist & St Kentigern.' Please be as generous as you can and thank you! *Fr Jeremy*



Parish Pastoral Council: will be meeting next on **Tuesday 16th April**. If you have any concerns, comments or suggestions please let Marlene McCallum know - marlenemccallum9@gmail.com

St John's SSVP would like to thank all those who organise, bake for or contribute in any way to the Wednesday Coffee mornings. In the last year, the remarkable sum of £1857.95 was raised to help in our work.

Responding to Edinburgh's Housing Emergency': a Corstorphine Churches Together event at St Kentigern's on **Wednesday 24th April**, 6.00-8.00pm. Main input from the Cyrenians. Free soup supper provided. Sign-up sheets at back of churches.

Special Collection: Next weekend 20/21 April – Ecclesiastical Students.

ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

Newman Association Edinburgh Circle Meeting : Monday 15th April 2024 7.30-9.30pm, Mayfield Salisbury Church, 18 West Mayfield. Topic: "*The Bible: a Mosaic*, Speaker: Rev Dr Scott McKenna, Parish Minister for thirty years serving in Uddingston, Edinburgh and Ayr and the Spiritual Lead at the Ayrshire Hospice. All welcome. A donation is requested to cover costs.

Mary's Meals are hosting a special online session where founder Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow will share more about the under-reported crisis in Ethiopia on **Tuesday 16th April** at 7pm. Find out more [at Charity events | Mary's Meals UK](#) (marysmeals.org.uk).

Assisted Pilgrims for Lourdes: Do you know someone who is ill or infirm and would enjoy the opportunity to experience a life-changing trip to Lourdes? The Archdiocese is seeking *Assisted Pilgrims* to join them on the pilgrimage in July. They will receive 24hr support from the brilliant doctors, nurses and volunteers in the Medical/Helper Team and stay in specially equipped accommodation. It will be an unforgettable week with a full spiritual and social programme. Please contact Bernadette on 0131 441 1939 or visit www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24

Funding to Study Theology: SAAS funding is available from April for all Scottish students taking the MA in Applied Catholic Theology course 2024/25. The course is offered by St Mary's University in partnership with the Archdiocese at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh. To register/enquire visit <https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/applied-catholic-theology>. A webinar will be hosted by the Archdiocese on Wednesday 29 May (6-7pm) for prospective students. Details to follow soon.

James McMillan event: Join Sir James MacMillan, one of the world's most successful living composers and Scotland's best known Catholic musician, for a free talk at *St Mary's Cathedral*, Edinburgh, on **Tuesday 23 April** at 7:30pm. Sir James will explore how chant, as the music of Faith, has influenced the history of music. Register at <https://bit.ly/StMarysM>

Pro-Life Chain, Edinburgh: SPUC's Pro-Life Chain will be the main event of Edinburgh's Festival of Life on **Saturday 27 April** at 11:00am on Lothian Road. It will be preceded by the Rosary at 10:00am at Sacred Heart Church on Lauriston Street.

Synod: The Archdiocesan Synodal Team invites you to *Spiritual Conversation*, an event at Ss John Cantius & Nicholas in Broxburn, on **Saturday 4 May** at 10:30am. Registration and details at <https://bit.ly/archsynod>

Mass for Married & Engaged couples: The annual Mass for Married and Engaged Couples is at 7:15pm on **Wednesday 29 May** 2024 at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. Come and celebrate the gift of marriage, renew your commitment and receive God's blessing upon your love. Requests for special invitations for couples celebrating significant anniversaries can be made at vemarriage@staned.org.uk or by calling 0131 334 1693.

Save the date: An Archdiocesan Lourdes Day takes place at Carfin Grotto on **Sunday 18 August**. The day will include Holy Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley. Details to follow soon.

Noticeboard: See Poster from LifeCare re their meals on Wheels Service.

Parish Contacts and Communication details:

Newsletter – 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

SSVP St John's & St Kentigern's – see parish contacts. Hall Bookings – St John's office.ssjohnbandkentigern@staned.org.uk; St Kentigern's stkenthall@gmail.com

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