

# Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024

Fourth 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 20 <sup>th</sup> April (Vigil)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	John Cregan RIP
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	9.30am	St Kentigern	People of the Parish
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	William Quigley
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	No Service		
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	9.30am	St Kentigern	Patrick de Pellette RIP
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Duncan Hamilton RIP
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April (Feast of St Mark)	9.30am	St Kentigern	Harry Sammons RIP
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Esther Smith RIP
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	St Kentigern	Margaret McDonald RIP
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> April (Vigil)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Fr Martin Chambers RIP
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	St Kentigern	Gillian Saunders RIP
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	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 24<sup>th</sup> April, St John the Baptist, Joyful Mysteries



**Sunday Readings:** Today we celebrate Jesus, the Good Shepherd, the great lover of souls who desires to untangle us from sin and lead us to new life in the Father's kingdom. He is the one we can trust to protect us and to care for us in our journey through life. He is the one who has willingly laid down his life for us and by whose name we are saved. We pray for young men and women to respond to his call to love and life by committing their lives to him along the paths of priesthood, religious life and marriage.

**Please pray for:**

- Billy Brims & Michael Finn who died recently. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Billy's funeral service will take place on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 12.30pm at Mortonhall Crematorium. Michael's funeral will take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May with 9.30am Mass at St Kentigern's and onwards to Corstorphine Hill Cemetery for burial.
- 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.

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations:** We pray for Gerard Holden and Matthew McCafferty who are seminarians of the Archdiocese, and particularly for Paul Henderson and Peter Shankland who will both be ordained to the priesthood in July. We also keep in our prayers Fr Jeremy Milne and all priests in the Archdiocese for their service to God and His people. There will be a second collection for Ecclesiastical Students this weekend or donations can be made at <https://bit.ly/studentscollection>.

**Responding to Edinburgh's Housing Emergency':** event cancelled.

**PARISH MISSION – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> 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** Tues 21<sup>st</sup> May, 7pm; **Mass with Anointing of the Sick** Thur 23 May, 11am.



**Mass with Anointing of the Sick:** St Vincent de Paul Society of St John's and St Kentigern's are hosting the Mass with Anointing of the Sick at the Parish Mission on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** at 11.00am in St Kentigern's followed by refreshments in the Hall. All welcome.

**Lend a Hand for Parish Mission Week:** Can you help make the Parish Mission a time to grow together as a community? Any assistance you can give will be greatly appreciated. Refreshments will be offered at some of the Mission events. Can you volunteer to set up tables and chairs or serve teas and coffees? Some home baking would be very welcome. If you are willing to offer your time and talents, please speak to Anne Simpson at St John's or Marlene McCallum at St Kentigern's or email [marlenemccallum9@gmail.com](mailto:marlenemccallum9@gmail.com).

**Easter Appeal:** Towards the costs of replacing the rotten windows on the west side of St Kentigern's church. As I have mentioned, the extent of the damage was found to be much more severe than originally thought and the estimate for replacing the windows is in excess of £80,000. In line with Archdiocesan policy we are seeking with this appeal to raise 15% of the project cost (ca. £12,000). 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](http://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*



## ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

**Deeply Devoted:** Explore the rich history of Catholic Devotions at a special event on **Saturday 27 April** 11:00am-3:00pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. *Deeply Devoted* features inspiring talks and a free light lunch. Details and registration at <https://bit.ly/deeplydevoted>

**James MacMillan 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.

**Salamanca:** St Mary's Parish in Stirling invites people from across the Archdiocese to join them on pilgrimage to Salamanca, Spain, from 12-19 October 2024. Includes trips to Avilla and Segovia, staying at the Royal Scots College (twin rooms only). Contact: [admin.stmarystirling@staned.org.uk](mailto:admin.stmarystirling@staned.org.uk) or 01786 473749.

**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](http://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24)

**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>

**Archdiocesan Youth Day** to be held at the Gillis Centre, Edinburgh on 11<sup>th</sup> May, 11am - 3pm, for all P4-P7's. The day will be an opportunity for young people to learn more about Mary in a fun way whilst socialising with others from around the diocese. It will conclude with Mass in the chapel at Gillis, celebrated by Archbishop Cushley. See Poster for more details.

**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](mailto:vemarriage@staned.org.uk) or by calling 0131 334 1693.

**Way of St Andrews:** Pilgrimage in Scotland? Try the 'Little Camino', Scotland at its best. Great trails, great scenery and a great opportunity for reflection. Visit <http://www.thewayofstandrews.com/>

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

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### 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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