

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Church of St John the Baptist

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Sunday 2nd June 2024
Solemnity of the Most Holy
Body and Blood of Christ

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Saturday 1 st June (Vigil) (St Justin)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Eddie Tobin RIP
Sunday 2 nd June	9.30am	St Kentigern	Claire Bridgeman & Family S.I.
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	People of the Parish
Monday 3 rd June (St Charles Lwanga & Companions)	No Service		
Tuesday 4 th June	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Donor's Intention (JH)
Wednesday 5 th June (St Boniface)	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Steven Reynolds S.I.
Thursday 6 th June	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Donor's Intention (JH)
Friday 7 th June (The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus)	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Donor's Intention (JH)
Saturday 8 th June (The Immaculate Heart of the BVM)	11.00am	St Kentigern	First Holy Communion
Saturday 8 th June (Vigil)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Steve Harrison S.I.
Sunday 9 th June	9.30am	St Kentigern	Bert Demarco Snr. RIP
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	People of the Parish

Confessions	Saturday 5.15pm-5.40pm – St John the Baptist
Adoration and Rosary	Wednesday, 7.00pm, St John the Baptist
First Friday Devotions	Friday after 9.30am Mass in St John the Baptist, Divine Mercy Prayers.
Changes to schedule this week.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mass on Tuesday and Thursday is at St John's due to work on windows at St Kentigern's. - There is no 9.30am Mass or morning confessions on Saturday 8th June due to first Holy Communion at 11.00am.



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.

Please Pray for:

- The children celebrating first Holy Communion at St Kentigern's on Saturday, that it may be a joyful occasion for them and their families and the beginning of a life of deep communion with the Lord through the Blessed Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
- 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, William Croly, Fr Derek, Murdoch Campbell.

St Kentigern's Monthly Community Lunch - Tuesday 4th June, 12.30pm–2.00pm in the Parish Hall. 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.

St Kentigerns First Holy Communion Mass: will take place next **Saturday 8th June at 11am**. If you can help with teas/coffees/baking which will be served in the hall afterwards please contact Karen Birnie or Fr Jeremy.

Edinburgh Food Project: Next Sunday 9th June. Urgently required items: Tinned Cold Meat, Tinned Hot Meals (e.g. Tinned Stew, Hot Dogs, Fray Bentos Pies), UHT Milk, Long Life Fruit Juice, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Vegetables, Coffee, Tinned Fish, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Spaghetti in Sauce, Rice, Jam. Please leave donations in the baskets provided. Thank you.

Fr Jeremy Celebration: To celebrate Fr Jeremy's imminent 60th birthday there will be a buffet lunch after 1130 Mass at St John's on **9th June**. All are welcome. If anyone can help setting up, catering or with teas and coffees can you let Anne Simpson know on 0131 336 4790 or email: anneksimpson@hotmail.com. On Tuesday **11th June** there will also be teas and coffees in the hall after Mass.

Walk for Mary's Meals: Mary's Meals are running their 'Dalmally to Malawi' appeal again this year and inviting individuals and communities to walk during June to raise money for their great work. This year our parish is inviting families and everyone else who would like to join, to take up the challenge of walking up Scald Law in the Pentland Hills together on **22nd June 2024**. With a total ascent of 609m and a distance of 7.5 miles along clear hill paths with some rough sections and a return via the reservoir road, this walk will take about 5 hours in total. Start from Flotterstone Car Park at 2pm. You can sponsor the walk at - <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/fundraising#/detail/701P50000C4ddQIAR> or by the sponsorship forms at the back of the churches.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST FEAST DAY BBQ: CAN YOU HELP? **Sunday 23rd June** is the nearest Sunday to the Feast Day of St John the Baptist and, as usual, we will celebrate after the 11.30 Mass in St John's with a BBQ and bouncy castle for the children. Volunteers are needed to make it a great community occasion. If you are willing to lend a hand with the barbecue, setting up the hall, preparing or serving food and drinks, please come along to a meeting after 11.30 Mass on Sunday 16th June.

Thank You from Liam Guyatt: Liam would like to thank all the parishioners who have helped in any way to get him to Lourdes this year. From donations and sponsorship, attending the Easter fair, the Edinburgh Hairy Haggis Relay and Sunday teas & coffees and bacon rolls. It is very much appreciated.

Easter Building Fund Appeal: raised £4,563.29. Very many thanks to all who contributed.

The June Edition of the A&WVSF Voluntary Sector Activity Programme has been posted on our website, community tab.

ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

Corpus Christi – 2 June: St Patrick's, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1TQ, **TODAY Sunday 2 June**, beginning with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley at 11:00am, followed by a procession. All are welcome to this special event. First Holy Communicants are encouraged to wear their First Holy Communion outfits. St Patrick's hosts a 40 Hours' Devotion ahead of the event.

Treasuring the Gift – Sacred Scripture Reflection Day: The translation of the Bible that we hear at Mass is changing this Advent. The Archdiocese has organised a day of prayer, study and discussion to learn more about this and to reflect on the gift of the word of God for the Church. *Treasuring the Gift* takes place on **Saturday 8 June** 10:00am-3:00pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Register at bit.ly/treasuringthegift

St Margaret's Pilgrimage: Gather in faith and thanksgiving to celebrate Scotland's patron saint in Dunfermline on **Sunday 23 June**. The procession to St Margaret's Church takes place from the Glen Gates in Bridge Street to the Church at 2:00pm, followed by Mass at 3:00pm. Ecumenical Prayers at the tomb of St Margaret at Dunfermline Abbey is at 12:30pm. All welcome.

Dominican Conference: The Second Conference in Edinburgh of the Dominican Family, with the theme of Mercy, takes place **Friday 28/Saturday 29 June** at the Assembly Hall and New College, Edinburgh. This is a public event and there is no charge. If you wish to have a meal on Friday or Saturday, please book using the following link (donation welcome) - bit.ly/godsmercyandyours

Events in the Archdiocese: list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese - <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>

Down's Syndrome: Fifty MPs are supporting an amendment to the Criminal Justice Bill to bring the abortion time limit for babies with Down's Syndrome in line with the time limit for babies without disabilities. Please ask your MP to support this amendment and stop abortion up to birth for babies with Down's syndrome. Visit <https://dontscreenusout.org/timeforchange>

Hope, healing and forgiveness: Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew and rebuild your life after experiencing the trauma of abortion. Healing weekends offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgemental environment to deal with painful emotions. Participants who have often experienced deep anger towards themselves or others can experience forgiveness. The next retreat in Scotland is at the end of June. Contact Sister Andrea: sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk or 07816 942 824. More at <https://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk/home>

Parish Contacts and Communication details:

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