

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Church of St John the Baptist

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Sunday 5th May 2024

Sixth 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 4 th May (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Marion Arnott S.I.
Sunday 5 th May	9.30am	St Kentigern	People of the Parish
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	Ros McAskil S.I.
Monday 6 th May	<i>No Service</i>		
Tuesday 7 th May	9.30am	St Kentigern	Martin Coyne RIP
Wednesday 8 th May	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Bryan Webb RIP
Vigil for the Solemnity of the Ascension	7.00pm	St John the Baptist	Rose Boyle RIP
Thursday 9th May Solemnity of the Ascension	10.00am	St Kentigern	
CONFIRMATIONS (within Mass)	7.00pm	St Kentigern	
Friday 10 th May	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Ann Allan RIP
Saturday 11 th May	9.30am	St Kentigern	Jean Lugton RIP
Saturday 11 th May (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Ann Kelly RIP
Sunday 12 th May	9.30am	St Kentigern	
	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 8 th May, St John the Baptist, Sorrowful Mysteries

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** Tuesday 21 May, 7pm;
Mass with Anointing of the Sick Thursday 23 May, 11am.

Mission Prayer

Father, move us with your Spirit, that we may welcome the Word of life in the depths of our being. Help us to say our own ‘yes’ to the urgent call to proclaim the Good News of Jesus. Reawaken in us a passion for the faith so that, through us, the Joy of the Gospel may reach the ends of the earth. Amen.

Novena to the Holy Spirit: A ‘novena’ is a period of nine days of prayer of petition for divine favour and preparation for special occasions in the life of the Church. The first novena was prayed by the disciples in preparation for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost after Jesus’ ascension to heaven when Jesus asked them to pray constantly in the upper room until the descent of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:14). In preparation for Pentecost and for our Parish Mission we are going to pray the Holy Spirit Novena! It is a powerful and moving novena that is meant to help us open ourselves up to the third person of the Holy Trinity. Let us offer this novena of prayers for our Parish Mission, that it may be a time of great grace for us and for all who join us, that we may grow in holiness and zeal for the Lord. The novena starts on Friday 10th May, the day after Ascension and is prayed each day until the Vigil of Pentecost on Saturday 18th May. We’ll pray the novena at Mass each day but if you’re not at Mass do please pray at home. A leaflet with the prayers will be provided. You might even choose to fast during this period for the success of the mission.

Please pray for:

- Children receiving Confirmation on Thursday, may the Holy Spirit move powerfully in their lives bringing many blessings.
- Fr Derek Powney who died recently. Fr Derek's funeral Mass will take place at St Margaret's, Davidson's Mains, on Thursday 16th May, at noon led by Archbishop Leo followed by a committal at Mortonhall Crematorium at 2.30pm. There will also be a reception at the Charwood Restaurant, 47 Buckstone Terrace, EH10 6QJ, and everyone is welcome to join the family there. It would be helpful if anyone planning to come let the family know: ajjimp@sky.com
- Murdoch Campbell who died recently. Murdoch's funeral Mass will take place on Wednesday 15th May at 11am at St Kentigern's and onwards to Corstorphine Hill Cemetery.
- The sick and housebound of the parish, that the Lord grant them healing, comfort and strength, including Eileen Black.
- All those who died recently, Fr Derek, Murdoch Campbell, Billy Brims, Michael Finn.

Edinburgh Food Project: TODAY Sunday 5th May. 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.

St Kentigern's Monthly Community Lunch - Tuesday 7th May, 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.

Men's Group meeting in the Parish House of St John's on **Tuesday, 7th May** at 7 pm. Newcomers are always welcome.

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 on **Thursday 23rd 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? 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.

Easter Appeal: Towards the costs of replacing the rotten windows on the west side of St Kentigern's church. You can contribute via this QR code (please Gift Aid if you can!), at bit.ly/ssjandkbuildingfund, by using the green Building Fund envelopes which can be handed in (again please Gift Aid if you can by filling in the panel on the envelopes) or the donation boxes at the back of the churches. Cheques payable to 'St John the Baptist & St Kentigern.' Thank you! *Fr Jeremy*



Family Coffee & Connect: the next family get together with games for the children is after Mass next **Sunday, 12th May**.

Special Collection: next **Sunday, 12th May**, for the Communications apostolate of the Church in Scotland.

ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

Newman Association Edinburgh Circle Meeting : Monday 6th May 2024 7.30-9.30pm, Mayfield Salisbury Church, 18 West Mayfield. Topic: "*Paul's Disciples and their changing view of women*", *Speaker:* Prof. Helen Bond, Professor of Christian Origins, at the School of Divinity in New College, Edinburgh University. All welcome. A donation is requested to cover costs.

Archdiocesan Youth Day to be held at the Gillis Centre, Edinburgh on **11th 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.

Songs of Praise: A recording of Songs of Praise is taking place at Charlotte Chapel, Shandwick Place on Tuesday 28th May 7-10pm. All welcome. Tickets are free and available on the website <https://lostintv.com/tv-show?id=1314>. See Poster for 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 or by calling 0131 334 1693.

Assisted Suicide – Called to Care, Not to Kill: Please contact your MSPs today to stop assisted suicide becoming legal in Scotland. Access an online resource created by the Catholic Parliamentary Office, including guidance on contacting your MSPs at rcpolitics.org/assistedsuicide or email us at office@rcpolitics.org for more information.

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. Please contact Bernadette on 0131 441 1939 or visit www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24

Parish Contacts and Communication details:

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