

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 12th May 2024

Seventh 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 11 th May (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Ann Kelly RIP
Sunday 12 th May	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Monday 13 th May	11.30am	St John the Baptist	People of the Parish
Tuesday 14 th May (<i>St Matthias</i>)	10.30am	St John the Baptist	
Wednesday 15 th May	9.30am	St Kentigern	
- Funeral Mass for Murdoch Campbell	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Murdoch Campbell RIP
Thursday 16 th May	11.00am	St Kentigern	
Friday 17 th May	9.30am	St Kentigern	Mike Pearson RIP & Family
Saturday 18 th May	9.30am	St John the Baptist	
Saturday 18 th May (<i>Vigil</i>)	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Sunday 19 th May	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	
	9.30am	St Kentigern	
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	
Confessions	Saturday 10.00am-10.15am – St Kentigern's; Saturday 5.15pm-5.40pm – St John the Baptist		
Adoration and Rosary	Wednesday 15 th May, St Kentigern's, Glorious 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.

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. In preparation for Pentecost and for our Parish Mission we are going to pray the Holy Spirit Novena! 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. Leaflets with the prayers are available in the churches. You might even choose to fast during this period for the success of the mission.

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.

Please pray for:

- Casey David Mcvey Falla who was baptised in St Kentigern's last week. Congratulations to his parents and godparents.
- 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 is 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: ajimp@sky.com

- William Croly, may he rest in peace. Funeral Service at Warriston Crematorium on Monday 13th May at 1.30pm.
- 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, Fr Derek, Murdoch Campbell, Billy Brims, Michael Finn.

Special collection: TODAY is World Communications Day and a special collection will take place at all Masses for the apostolate of communications. Please see the pastoral letter from Bishop Joseph Toal (Motherwell Diocese), President of the National Communications Commission of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland, which is available at the back of the church

Family Coffee & Connect in the Hall after Mass TODAY! Everyone is welcome for some games and chat. We'd happily welcome some new volunteers to help out occasionally. Please speak to one of us if you'd like to know more.

Parish Pastoral Council: will be meeting next on **Tuesday 14th May**. If you have any concerns, comments or suggestions please let Marlene McCallum know - marlenemccallum9@gmail.com. The minutes of the previous meeting held on 16th April have been posted on the noticeboards and on the website.

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*



ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

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.

Mass for Married & Engaged couples: The annual Mass for Married and Engaged Couples is at 7:15pm on **Wednesday 29 May** 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 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 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 takes place on **Wednesday 29 May (6-7pm)** for prospective students. Register now at <https://bit.ly/theologywebinar>

Down's Syndrome: The different time limit for babies with disabilities promotes inequality and sends a message that disabled people are less worthy of life and protection. 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>

Parish Contacts and Communication details:

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