

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 9th June 2024

Tenth Sunday of the Year, B.

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 8th June (Vigil)

Sunday 9th June

Monday 10th June

Tuesday 11th June (St Barnabas)

Wednesday 12th June

Thursday 13th June (St Anthony of Padua)

Friday 14th June

Saturday 15th June

Saturday 15th June (Vigil)

Sunday 16th June

6.00pm

9.30am

11.30am

No Service

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Steve Harrison S.I.

Bert Demarco Snr. RIP

People of the Parish

Harrison Family S.I.

Donor's Intention (JH)

Isa Telford RIP

Marion Arnott RIP

First Holy Communion

Donor's Intention (JH)

John Carroll S.I.

People of the Parish

Confessions

Saturday 5.15pm-5.40pm – St John the Baptist

Adoration and Rosary

Wednesday, 7.00pm, St Kentigern

Changes to schedule this week.

- 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 15th June due to first Holy Communion at St John's at 11.00am.

Sunday Readings: In the Gospel, the scribes attribute Jesus' power to cast out demons to the work of Satan. They thus perceive goodness as evil which is a complete corruption of the heart. In his encyclical on the Holy Spirit (*Dominum et vivificantem*), Pope Saint John Paul II explained that the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit "does not properly consist in offending against the Holy Spirit in words; it consists rather in the refusal to accept the salvation which God offers man through the Holy Spirit, working through the power of the Cross...It is the sin committed by the person who claims to have a 'right' to persist in evil – in any sin at all – and who thus rejects Redemption." The catechism adds: "There are no limits to the mercy of God, but anyone who deliberately refuses to accept his mercy by repenting, rejects the forgiveness of his sins and the salvation offered by the Holy Spirit. Such hardness of heart can lead to final impenitence and eternal loss" (CCC 1864).

Please Pray for:

- The children who celebrated first Holy Communion at St Kentigern's on Saturday: Harry, Lauren, Daniel C., Erin C.H., Aria, Elysse, Sophie, Daniel D., Erin H., Aidan, Patrycja, Franz, Sean, Matthew, Olivia, Wiktor, Jules, Daniel S., Tymon, Reuben, Andrew and Massimo. Congratulations!
- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that the Lord grant them healing, comfort and strength.
 - Eileen Black would like to express her gratitude to the parish community for their prayers and best wishes. "It was so comforting to know that so many people were praying, and I'm sure it helped with my progress and healing. I have asked Fr Jeremy to offer a mass in thanksgiving".
- All those who died recently, William Croly, Fr Derek, Murdoch Campbell.

St John's First Holy Communion Mass: will take place next **Saturday 15th June at 11am**. If you can help with teas/coffees/baking which will be served in the hall afterwards, please contact Anne Simpson (0131 336 4790) or Fr Jeremy.

Edinburgh Food Project: TODAY 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 **TODAY (Sunday)**.

Men's Group: There will be a short meeting on **Tuesday, 11 June** at 7 pm in St John's House. It will be our summer social evening in the White Lady. All are welcome.

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/701P500000C4ddQIAR> or by the sponsorship forms at the back.

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.

Special Collection: Sunday 16 June is the annual Day for Life and a special collection will be taken up at Mass that day for the work of the apostolate of life. The theme this year is "*The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life.*" Very pertinent for us this year with The Assisted Dying Bill due to be put before the Scottish Parliament. The collection will support organisations that undertake care of the dying and advocacy work against euthanasia.

ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

Workshop on Assisted Suicide: The Assisted Dying Bill could come into law in Scotland in soon. The Archdiocese is hosting a workshop in the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh on **Tuesday 18 June** at 7:30pm to show you how to engage with, and inform others, about concerns arising from this proposed law. Free event. Register at <https://bit.ly/calledtocarenotkill>

Schools Mass: The annual Edinburgh Catholic Schools' Community Mass takes place at St Catharine's Convent, Lauriston Gardens, Edinburgh, on **Thursday 20 June** at 7.00pm. All welcome.

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. No registration required.

Schola Cantorum: An evening of summer music takes place at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh at 7pm on **Wednesday 26 June**. The event features Vivaldi Gloria in D with Chamber Orchestra, followed by a drinks reception. Tickets £10. Visit <https://bit.ly/CathedralSummerMusic2024>

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

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>

Columba Trust: The Columba Trust provides funding to organisations and individuals to support projects which promote the Roman Catholic faith, its ministry and values. The deadline for applications this year is **31 July 2024**. Further details about the Trust and how to apply for a grant can be found at: <https://columbatrust.org.uk/>

Universe Catholic Weekly: has now ceased publishing a print edition due to rising costs of printing and postage. You can subscribe to the digital edition and receive it by email each Friday morning. For help with going digital just call Michelle Jones on 07436 617604.

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