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Sunday 23rd June 2024

Edinburgh EH4 7QR

Twelfth Sunday of the Year, B. if you can. Thank you so much! > About to make/change a Will? Have you considered leaving a A warm welcome to Mass today legacy to your parish?

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Saturday 22 nd June (Vigil)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Donor's Intention (CH)
Sunday 23 rd June	9.30am	St Kentigern	People of the Parish
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	Ellen & William Forker RIP
Monday 24 th June (<i>Nativity of St John the Baptist</i>)	No Service		
Tuesday 25 th June	9.30am	St Kentigern	Thanksgiving (CH)
Wednesday 26 th June	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Donor's Intention (CH)
Thursday 27 th June	9.30am	St Kentigern	Helena S.I.
Friday 28 th June <i>(St Irenaeus)</i>	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Simon Foley RIP
Saturday 29 th June	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Saturday 29 th June (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Gaelie McManamin S.I.
Sunday 30 th June <i>(SS Peter and Paul)</i>	9.30am	St Kentigern	People of the Parish
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	Frs Paul Henderson & Peter
			Shankland S.I.

Confessions	Saturday 10.00am-10.15am – St Kentigern's; Saturday 5.15pm-5.40pm – St John the Baptist

Adoration and Rosary

Wednesday, 7.00pm, St Kentigern



Sunday Readings: In the beginning recounted in the Book of Genesis, the spirit of God hovered over the waters bringing order out of chaos as he created the

world. He commanded and the elements obeyed. He spoke and his word came to be. In the Gospel Jesus commands the wind and water bringing quiet and calm.

Jesus is Lord of Creation and if he is Lord of our hearts too, he will bring order, guiet and calm to the chaos wreaked by our life's storms.



Monday sees the celebration of the Birth of St John the Baptist, one of our parish's Patron Saints. He was the great herald of the fulfilment of God's plan of salvation. He was the 'voice crying out in the wilderness' to make way for the coming of the Lord. He called the people to repentance and pointed to Jesus as their Saviour who would baptise them with water and fire that they might become one with God and alive in the Spirit. He proclaimed Jesus, the Lamb of God, by whose blood the people would be forgiven and reconciled to God. In supreme humility he knew Jesus as his Lord, saying 'he must increase, I must decrease'. May we all be inspired by the witness of this great Saint of whom Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist" (Mt 11:11).



Please Pray for:

- All our children who are facing big changes by leaving primary school and high school this week. May they trust in the Lord as their light and their help in all things.
- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that the Lord grant them healing, comfort and strength.
- All those who died recently, Uche Frank Rapu and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST FEAST DAY BBQ: TODAY 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. It will be a great community occasion. All welcome.

<u>Ordinations</u>: Paul Henderson and Peter Shankland will be ordained to the sacred priesthood on **Saturday 29 June** at midday in St Mary's Cathedral Edinburgh. The Cathedral hosts Eucharistic Adoration from 1:15pm to 8:00pm on Thursday 27 & Friday 28 June to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and includes a Holy Hour led by the two men at 7:00pm. Please keep Paul and Peter in your prayers. As you know, Paul Henderson will be coming to this Parish in September as Assistant Priest to Fr Jamie McMorrin.

Edinburgh Food Project: Next Sunday 30th 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.

<u>St Kentigern's Monthly Community Lunch</u> - Tuesday 2nd July, 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.

Lourdes Petitions: I am looking forward to joining the Archdiocesan Pilgrimmage to Lourdes again this year, 5th-12th July. If you would like me to take your **prayer petition(s) to Lourdes** please write your petition(s) on the cards provided and place them in a sealed envelope in the basket provided at the back of the churches. These will be placed at the altar in the Grotto to be offered in prayer. PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE MONEY.

ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

<u>St Margaret's Pilgrimage – TODAY Sunday 23 June</u>: Gather in faith and thanksgiving to celebrate one of Scotland's patron saints in Dunfermline this 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, with Mass at 3:00pm.

<u>General Election</u>: The Bishops of Scotland have published a letter ahead of the General Election on 4 July. It highlights issues to help Catholics reflect on how they will vote. Please pick up a copy from the back of the Church. There is also a copy of questions for candidates. Visit the website of the Catholic Parliamentary Office for more information and resources: <u>https://rcpolitics.org/general-election-2024/</u>

<u>Peter's Pence</u>: The annual collection for Peter's Pence is on **Sunday 30 June**. Donations to Peter's Pence support Pope Francis' Mission and charitable works, which have financed 192 projects in 72 countries. Thank you for your generosity.

Schola Cantorum: An evening of summer music takes place at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh at 7:00pm on Wednesday 26 June. The event features Vivaldi Gloria in D with Chamber Orchestra, followed by a drinks reception. Tickets £10. Visit <u>https://bit.ly/CathedralSummerMusic2024</u>

Dominican Conference: A conference of the Dominicans takes place **28/29** 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): <u>bit.ly/godsmercyandyours</u>

<u>African & Caribbean Community</u>: The next Mass with the African & Caribbean community in the Archdiocese is at St Cuthbert's Church, 104 Slateford Road, Edinburgh, EH14 1PT at 2pm on **Sunday 7nd July**.

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

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