

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 1st September 2024

Twenty-Second Sunday of Yr, 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 31 st August (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Graham Mitchel S.I.
Sunday 1 st September	9.30am	St Kentigern	Margaret Wright RIP
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	People of the Parish
Monday 2 nd September	<i>No Service</i>		
Tuesday 3 rd September (<i>St Gregory the Great</i>)	9.30am	St Kentigern	Alison & Jim Bain S.I.
Wednesday 4 th September	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Anne & Noel Billington S.I.
Thursday 5 th September	9.30am	St Kentigern	Oliver & Patricia Morahan RIP
Friday 6 th September	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Joe Burke RIP
Saturday 7 th September	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Saturday 7 th September (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Jim Brown RIP
Sunday 8 th September	9.30am	St Kentigern	William Paterson RIP
	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
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First Friday Devotions	Friday 6 th September after 9.30am Mass in St John the Baptist, Divine Mercy Prayers.
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First Saturday Devotions	Saturday 7 th September, 4.30pm – 5.30pm, St John the Baptist
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As you know, after seven happy years here at St John the Baptist's & St Kentigern's, I will be moving to the Cathedral. I will be here celebrating the weekday Masses this week until I move after Mass on Friday 6th September. I have loved my time here and I thank you all for your great kindness and generosity over the years. A new chapter begins for the parish and for myself. I pray God's blessing on us all and hope to see you again along the way.
In Christ, Fr Jeremy.

Please Pray for:

- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that the Lord grant them healing, comfort and strength.
- All those who died recently, Fiona Crolla, Margaret Wright, Isabel Scott, James Robinson, and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

Registration for Children's Sacramental Preparation: There are now registration forms at the back of the churches and online: one for [Reconciliation and Holy Communion](#) and one for [Confirmation](#). Details of the programme will come after Fr Jamie has arrived but you can register from now. Instructions for returning the forms are on them.

St Kentigern's Monthly Community Lunch - Tuesday 3rd September, 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.

Edinburgh Food Project: 8th September: 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, tinned custard/rice pudding, ready meals (e.g. pot noodles), sweets/chocolate/crisps. Please leave donations in the baskets provided. Thank you.

Fairtrade Fortnight - Monday 9th September- 22nd September: It's 30 years since Fairtrade products first hit the shelves and this year for Fairtrade Fortnight the spotlight is on how You can Be the Change by choosing Fairtrade every time. Come into the St Kent's hall after 9.30 mass on Sunday 8th for our usual cup of Fairtrade tea or coffee plus some Fairtrade home baking.

SSVP St John the Baptist: SAVE THE DATE: On **Sunday 22 September** at 1pm, we will be having a bus outing to Peebles with High Tea at the Green Tree Hotel returning around 6.30pm. There will be time to explore Peebles before the meal. Please complete the sign up sheet at the back of the church for those who wish to attend by adding your name, address and contact number. A suggested donation of £5 per person to help defray the costs will be collected on the day of the outing.

Drivers Wanted to pick up and transport a parishioner to George Square on an occasional Thursday basis. If you can help please speak to Paddy Ferry at the back of the Church, or telephone 0131 317 1387, email pjferry@btinternet.com

St John's Children's Liturgy: Volunteers Required! A few members of our Children's Liturgy team are planning to stand down after many years service, so we're looking for some new volunteers. You don't need to have any formal teaching experience - you would be paired with an experienced Liturgist who will lead the class. Children's Liturgy takes place during school term times, so you would be required to do a maximum of around 16 classes a year, on a flexible rota system. Children's Liturgy classes are fairly informal and enjoyable, and a lovely way to get to know some of our younger parishioners! If you'd like to find out more, you can speak to our current teacher Sarah Kirkpatrick after Mass, or Fr Jeremy or the new priests.

SYCAMORE **A Christian Enquiry Course:** Tuesdays 7.00-9.00pm, **3rd September – 15th October**, St John the Baptist's Church Hall. This seven-week course is aimed primarily at guests with little or no Christian background, or those who have lost touch with their Christian faith (but is open to all). Each week we gather to share some food and friendship, watch a short video and talk about it in small groups. A great opportunity to invite a friend or family member to join you to find out more about God, Jesus and the Church. Take a leaflet and hand it on to someone!

Justice & Peace Mass: The annual Caritas, Justice & Peace Mass takes place at St Columba's, 9 Upper Gray Street, EH9 1SN on **Monday 2 September at 7:00pm**. It is a chance to worship together and celebrate the work done in parishes on Justice & Peace issues. After Mass there will be a hot food buffet in the church hall.

Season of Creation: **This Sunday (1 September) is World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.** A Season of Creation conference takes place at St Margaret's, Drip Road, Stirling, FK8 1ES, on **Saturday 7 September** from 10:00am-3:00pm. Register at www.tinyurl.com/46wmt9ah. A separate online event will take place on Thursday 19 September with Fr Joshtrom Kureethadam at 7:00pm. Register at <https://bit.ly/hopeactcreation>

Venerable Margaret Sinclair: The annual Venerable Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage takes place at St Patrick's Church in The Cowgate, EH1 1TQ on **Sunday 22 September**. Schedule: 1:30pm – Holy Hour; 2:45pm – individual blessings at Shrine; 3:30pm – Reflection, Novena Prayers, presentation from Sinclair Academy; 4:30pm Holy Mass with Archbishop Cushley. Find out more about Margaret Sinclair at <https://stpatricksedinburgh.com/margaret-sinclair/>

National Pilgrimage: The National Pilgrimage of the Church in Scotland to Carfin Grotto takes place **this Sunday (1 September)**, with Holy Mass at 3:00pm. The Pope's representative in Great Britain, Archbishop Maury Buendía, will attend, along with the Bishops of Scotland. The event launches preparations for the Holy Year 2025.

National Youth Pilgrimage: The National Youth Pilgrimage takes place in Glasgow on **Saturday 21 September**. The pilgrimage includes a walking tour through the streets of Glasgow City Centre, recalling the saints that walked them before us. The event is open to ages 18-35. Pilgrims from the Archdiocese are asked to meet outside the City Chambers in George Square at 12:15pm. Please register with Fr Robert Taylor at frrobert.taylor@staned.org.uk

Holy Year 2025: Pope Francis declared that 2025 will be a Year of Jubilee. To help us prepare for the year the Archdiocese is hosting 'Pilgrimage of Hope' which will feature spiritual talks, pilgrim testimonies and more. It takes place at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on **Saturday 9 November** from 11:00am to 3:15pm. Register at bit.ly/holyyearevent

Beginning Experience - A Time to Heal: The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend **Friday 4th October to Sunday 6th October** at Conforti Centre, Coatbridge for those suffering through divorce, separation or widowhood. The weekend will be presented by team who have suffered the loss of a loved one themselves. Contact Louise on 07926517004 or louise398@gmail.com to register. Applications must be returned by Friday, 20th September 2024.

Celebrating the Gift: A Scripture Reflection Day titled 'Celebrating the Gift' takes place at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, EH9 1BB, on Saturday 5 October 2024 from 10:00am to 4:00pm. The event will explain more about the new lectionary which is being introduced in Advent and it is also a chance to reflect on the Word of God. Register at bit.ly/scriptureevent

Parish Contacts and Communication details:

Newsletter – office.ssjohnbandkentigern@staned.org.uk before 5pm on Thursday for inclusion in the Sunday newsletter.

Safeguarding: St John's – Mary Strachan; St Kentigern's – Michael Balfour michael.balfour@staned.org.uk

SSVP St John's & St Kentigern's – see parish contacts.

Hall Bookings for St John's and St Kentigern's - office.ssjohnbandkentigern@staned.org.uk

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