

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 18th August 2024

Twentieth 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 17 th August (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Kevin & John Costello RIP
Sunday 18 th August	9.30am	St Kentigern	Kathleen Donaghy RIP
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	People of the Parish
Monday 19 th August	<i>No Service</i>		
Tuesday 20 th August (<i>St Bernard</i>)			
– Funeral of Isabel Scott	9.30am	St Kentigern	Isabel Scott RIP
Wednesday 21 st August (<i>St Pius X</i>)	9.30am	St John the Baptist	John Kelly RIP
Thursday 22 nd August (<i>Queenship of the BVM</i>)	9.30am	St Kentigern	Jodi Lynn Bedard RIP
Friday 23 rd August	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Ranjin-Adoss RIP
Saturday 24 th August (<i>Feast – St Bartholomew</i>)	9.30am	St Kentigern	Calum Macleod RIP
Saturday 24 th August (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	People of the Parish
Sunday 25 th August	9.30am	St Kentigern	Maria Demarco
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	Donor's Intention

Confessions

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



Sunday Reading: Jesus offers his body and blood as real food and drink that sustain us on our journey through life. His body and blood, given up for us on the cross and glorified at the resurrection, are given to us in the form of bread and wine, as he instructed the apostles at the last supper. Jesus says, "Whoever eats me will draw life from me". Through Holy Communion we assimilate the life of

heaven and are called to live lives that serve to redeem the "wicked age" of the times in which we live. This last part is important. At the end of each Mass, having shared Holy Communion, the congregation is commissioned and blessed to "Go, and announce the Gospel of the Lord"; or to "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life." Unless for very good reason to do with health or urgent need, it is quite wrong to leave Mass before receiving the commission and final blessing.



Please Pray for:

- Isabel Scott who died recently. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Isabel's funeral will take place on Tuesday 20th August at 9.30am at St Kentigern's and onwards to Corstorphine Hill Cemetery for 10.30am.
- The sick and the housebound of the parish, that the Lord grant them healing, comfort and strength.
- All those who died recently, Isabel Scott, James Robinson, Mary Robb, and all those whose anniversary occurs around this time.

FR JEREMY'S FAREWELL: If you have taken one of the brightly coloured envelopes which are available at the back of both churches for those who wish to express their appreciation to Fr Jeremy in a practical way, please return the envelopes by next Sunday. If you have volunteered to help with the events happening after Sunday Masses on 1st September when we will say thank you to Fr Jeremy for his seven years of ministry in the parish, please note that there will be meetings to confirm details next Sunday 25th August after 9.30 Mass in St Kentigern's and 11.30 in St John's. If you haven't volunteered yet, you are very welcome to join us!

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. Please speak to any SSVP member if you have any questions. We look forward to welcoming those of you wishing to attend to what has always been a very enjoyable occasion. Marie Allan, Breda Lindsay, Anne Simpson, Margaret Edie, Margaret Mawdsley.

Drivers Wanted to pick up and transport a parishioner to George Square on an occasional 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

Piety table: While tidying the presbytery ready to handover in September I have come across a number of devotional items which people might like to take for themselves or as gifts. Children might especially like to take an item or two. They are on a table in the porch at St John's and I invite you to feel free to take something away.

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!

ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

Day for Altar Servers: A day of training, games and prayer for altar servers on **Saturday 31 August** at the Gillis Centre, Edinburgh. Concludes with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley. Speak to your parish priest to register your child(ren).

Season of Creation Conference 2024: The Care of Creation Office of the Bishops' Conference has organised a National Conference for this year's Season of Creation which runs from 1st September – 4th October. The Conference will take place on **Saturday 7th September 2024**, from 10am – 3pm in St. Margaret's Parish Hall, Raploch, Stirling. The guest speaker is Ben Wilson, Director of Public Engagement for SCIAF. If interested in attending, please complete a booking form here www.tinyurl.com/46wmt9ah and more details about this free day will follow. A separate online event will take place on **Thursday 19 September** with Fr Joshtrom Kureethadam at 7:00pm. Register at <https://bit.ly/hopeactcreation> Both events are hosted by the Bishops' Conference of Scotland's Care of Creation Office.

Gaudi: God's Architect at the Fringe: Faith-based theatre comes to the Edinburgh Fringe with Gaudi: God's Architect. It runs from 19th – 26th August at Lauriston Halls. The play is from the Archdiocese of Glasgow Arts Project.

Volunteer with 71st Craigmmond Scout!: Our Scout Group is looking for passionate individuals to join our team as adult volunteers and become leaders in the different sections. If you have a love for adventure and enjoy working with young people, this could be the perfect opportunity for you. For more information, please contact hello@sesscouts.org.uk

Barbara Dickson Concert: Barbara Dickson will appear with Nick Holland plus support Anthony Toner at a special concert at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, on the evening of **Thursday 3 October**. The concert is to raise funds for the roof appeal at the Cathedral. Doors open 7:00pm. Tickets £30, pre-concert supper option available). Visit bit.ly/raisetherooftshow

The New Lectionary Event: 'Celebrating the Gift': The Lectionary used at Mass and for the Sacraments is changing this Advent. Join us for an event on **Saturday, 5 October**, 10:00am-3:00pm at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road Edinburgh EH9 1BB. This event will explain why the Lectionary is being changed and what you need to know, while reflecting together on God's Word in Holy Scripture. Free on-site parking and light lunch. If you have allergies/intolerances bring a packed lunch. Register for this free event with the QR code or at <https://bit.ly/Lectionary05Oct> Questions/Queries? Email matthew.meade@staned.org.uk

Pilgrimage of Hope: 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 more. It takes place at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, on **Saturday 9 November** from 11:00am to 3:15pm. Register at bit.ly/holyyearevent

Caritas Cup – sponsorship opportunities: The Caritas Cup football and netball tournaments involve secondary schools across St Andrews & Edinburgh, Paisley and Motherwell. Organiser SCIAF is looking for sponsors. Please contact Adam (caritascup@outlook.com) for further information around sponsorship. All funds raised will benefit SCIAF's work in Gaza and the Holy Land.

Parish Contacts and Communication details:

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

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

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

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