

Parish of St John the Baptist & St Kentigern

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Sunday 15th June 2025

The Most Holy Trinity, Year – C

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?



Sat. 14 June (<i>Vigil</i>)	6.00pm	St John the Baptist	Alec Campbell RIP
Sunday 15 June – The Most Holy Trinity	9.30am	St Kentigern	<i>People of God</i>
	11.30am	St John the Baptist	Christina Bruce RIP
Mon. 16 June – All Saints of Scotland	<i>No public Mass</i>		
Tue. 17 June – 11 th Week Ordinary Time	9.30am	St Kentigern	Mr & Mrs Mitchell RIP
Wed. 18 June – 11 th Week Ordinary Time	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Margaret Donegan RIP
Thu. 19 June – 11 th Week Ordinary Time	9.30am	St Kentigern	David Kemp, GE
Fri. 20 June – 11 th Week Ordinary Time	9.30am	St John the Baptist	Ellen & William Forker RIP
Sat. 21 June – St Aloysius Gonzaga	9.30am	St Kentigern	
Sat. 21 June (<i>Vigil</i>) <i>Corpus Christi</i>	6.00pm	St John The Baptist	
<i>Confessions – on request at any time, as well as:</i>	10.00am-10.15am – Saturdays		St Kentigern's
	5.15pm-5.45pm – Saturdays		St John the Baptist

United in Love, as the Trinity Is One: My dear People of God, today we celebrate the profound mystery at the heart of our faith: the *Most Holy Trinity* — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Three distinct Persons, yet one God. One in love, one in will, one in perfect unity.

The Trinity is not just a doctrine to believe; it is *a divine relationship to imitate*. In the Father who creates, the Son who redeems, and the Spirit who sanctifies, we see not division but perfect harmony. Each Person gives totally to the others, and together they are one communion of love. This is not just theology — it is the blueprint for how we, as a parish, are called to live.

In our world today — and sometimes even within our parishes — it is easy to fall into patterns of isolation, individualism, or even division. But the Trinity reminds us that *unity is not uniformity*. Just as the Father is not the Son, and the Son is not the Spirit, we too are called in our diversity to be united, not identical. Each person brings unique gifts, roles, and perspectives — but in Christ, all are one.

As a parish community, we are invited to *reflect the unity of the Trinity* by how we love, serve, forgive, and listen to one another. The Church is not simply a building or a gathering of individuals — it is a family, a body, a communion. And just as the Trinity is united in a perfect exchange of love, we too must strive to be united in heart and mind, building one another up in the Spirit of peace.

Let us ask ourselves: Do I contribute to unity, or sow division? Do I bring others closer to Christ through love and understanding, or do I stand apart with judgment or indifference? How can I, today, reflect the Trinity's love in my family, my parish, my workplace?

As we contemplate the mystery of the Trinity, may we be moved to deeper communion with God and with one another. Let our parish become a visible sign of Trinitarian unity — *a place where love dwells, peace reigns, and God is glorified*.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all — and make us truly one, as the Trinity is One. Amen!

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- The sick and the housebound of the parish: that the Lord will grant them healing, comfort and strength.
- All those who died recently, especially Margaret Donegan and Catherine Leonard, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time and those who have no-one else to pray for

DAY FOR LIFE: SPECIAL COLLECTION: The Day for Life is when we celebrate the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. This year's theme is *Hope Does Not Disappoint – Finding Meaning in Suffering* and we are invited to pray for those who suffer and to remain with them, bearing witness to their unique and unrepeatable value. A special collection will be taken up at Mass for the work of the apostolate of life.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: Archbishop Leo will lead the Archdiocesan Corpus Christi Procession from St Patrick's Church in Kilsyth at 3:00pm on Sunday 22 June. This is a joyous occasion with the Blessed Sacrament being carried through the streets. First Holy Communicants in the Archdiocese are invited to take a special place in the procession wearing their formal clothes. Parking available at the Church. Contact St Patrick's to reserve disabled/minibus parking or to book a space on the free shuttle buses from Croy train station to the Church: priest.stpatrickskilsyth@staned.org.uk or 01236 822136.

PORTRAITS OF COURAGE: Aid to the Church in Need hosts a moving photo exhibition on the plight of persecuted Christians across the world. It takes place on Thursday 19 June from 6:00-8:00pm at Dalziel Building, [7 Scott Street, Motherwell ML1 1PN](#). Tickets are free by calling 01698 337 470 or search 'Portraits of Courage' on Eventbrite.

PARISH COMMUNICATORS: The Archdiocese is hosting a webinar for those who are involved with parish communications (such as Facebook, newsletters). It takes place on Saturday 19 July at 10:00am-11:00am. The session will give tips and guidance on parish social media, newsletters and more. Register at bit.ly/parishcomms

STUDY CATHOLIC THEOLOGY IN EDINBURGH: Interested in finding out more about the MA in Applied Catholic Theology at St Mary's University Scottish campus in Edinburgh? An online information event takes place at 6:00pm on Tuesday 17 June where you can hear from staff and current students. Register at bit.ly/stmarysuni or email stephen.dolan@stmarys.ac.uk

GENERAL ASSISTANT FOR IONA

The Catholic House of Prayer on Iona is looking to recruit a general assistant to help run the house from July this year for two or more months. Accommodation and good rate of pay provided. The role involves changeovers and cooking. More information from Jane Kindlen at mail@catholic-iona.com or call 01681 700369.

JUBILEE YEAR PICNIC FOR FAMILIES: The Archdiocesan Jubilee Year picnic takes place on Saturday 28 June, 11:00am – 4:00pm at The Gillis Centre, [100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB](#). There will be spiritual talks on the theme of Hope and talks and games for children. Includes Rosary at The Grotto and concludes with Holy Mass in St Margaret's Chapel. Childcare provided. Register at bit.ly/archpicnic

SAVE THE DATE: The Venerable Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage Day is on **Saturday 21 September 2025** at St Patricks in The Cowgate, Edinburgh. More details coming soon.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST HALL KEY

Could anyone with a Hall key for St John the Baptist's Hall please return it to be issued with a new key as we have recently changed the lock!

COMING UP PARISH EVENTS:

Tuesday 24th June:

Nativity of St John the Baptist – Parish Feast
Mass at 7.00pm at St John's
Cheese & Wine afterwards
All are welcome!

Tuesday, 1st July

A TALK ON BLESSED ANTONIO ROSMINI:
PRIEST, PHILOSOPHER & PROPHET; Please join us, at St Kentigern's Church, Edinburgh to find out more about Blessed Antonio Rosmini.

The evening will begin at **6pm**, with a talk from Fr Antonio Bellsito IC, followed by Mass and a Testimony from Nancy MacGillivray. There will be refreshments afterwards, all are welcome.

Confirmation 2026

Will be Thursday 14th May