

# St Kentigern's Roman Catholic Church

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**Sunday 27 August 2017**

## Twenty-First Sunday of the Year

(Year A/Weekdays 1)

### This week's Services and Mass Intentions

<b>Sunday:</b>	Twenty-First Sunday of the Year	
10.15 am	Mass	Marcello de Felice
<b>Monday:</b>	St Augustine	
10.00 am	Mass	Fr Martin Xavier
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Passion of St John the Baptist	
10.00 am	Mass	Gus MacDonald
<b>Wednesday:</b>		
10.00 am	Mass	Josephine Tinney
<b>Thursday:</b>		
10.00 am	Mass	Special Intention (MS)
<b>Friday:</b>		
10.00 am	Mass	Special Intention
<b>Saturday:</b>		
10.00 am	Mass	Tina Laing
<b>Sunday:</b>	Twenty-Second Sunday of the Year	
10.15 am	Mass	Rose Boyle

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession:** Saturday after morning Mass and on request.

**The Church is open for prayer every day** from 9.00 am until after Mass.

**Every Wednesday** there is tea and coffee after Mass in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

**Please note** that there will be no Exposition after Mass on Saturday.

**Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion:** We will shortly be drawing up our programme for the coming year. Children normally celebrate Reconciliation in P3 and First Holy Communion in P4. Parents who wish their children to celebrate these Sacraments in St Kentigern's parish next year are asked to complete and return a Registration Form (available in the porch) if they have not already done so.

### Called to Worship – Sunday Liturgy

Order of Mass: 479

#### Hymns:

Entry:	820	Seek ye first
Offertory:	749	Servant King
Communion:	814	Blest are they
	968	Be Still
Recessional:	883	Christ be our light

#### Summary of Readings:

**Isaiah 22:19-2** *Isaiah is charged to denounce the prime minister and announce Eliakim as his replacement. The new prime minister will be given the key, symbol of his power to open and close the doors of the palace.*

**Romans 11:33-36** *After discussing Israel's place in sacred history, Paul confesses that no one can penetrate the mind of God or understand his ways. In the end, Paul moves from theology to praise as he gives glory to God.*

**Matthew 16:18** *Thanks to divine revelation, Peter confesses the deep mystery of Jesus, who is the Christ and the Son of God. In the light of this inspired confession, Peter is chosen to be the rock on which the Church is built.*



*A warm welcome to Mass this morning. If you are a new parishioner please let us know who you are by completing a registration form to be found in the*

*Porch. Tea and coffee in the Hall after Mass.*

*YFL also have bacon rolls on offer today.*

### **Financial Matters:**

Last Sunday's Collection: £579.86  
Contributions by Standing Order: £234.69  
Special Collection for African Missions  
and Holy Places: £482.05

**Church Cleaning:** Team 4

**Tea Team for Next Sunday:** 3

**Readers:** There is a New List on the Notice Board for September and October. Could you please add your name against the Sundays you are available. Thank you all for helping with this very important part of our Liturgy. If there are any members of our Parish who would like to join our Readers Team please speak to Carole Gallacher, who is usually standing at the back of the church before Mass

**Transport Request:** SSVP are looking for a volunteer driver willing to take an adult parishioner from our parish area to the SPRED (Special Religious Education programme) centre at 26 George Square every second Tuesday evening for 7.00 pm. Pick up at 6.30 pm. If you can help please speak to Paddy Ferry or any SSVP member after Mass.

**National Pilgrimage to Carfin in honour of Our Lady of Fatima:** Sunday 3 September, Pilgrimage Mass at 3.00pm.

### **Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage 2017:**

The annual pilgrimage to the tomb of Venerable Margaret Sinclair to pray for her beatification will take place on the afternoon of Sunday 17 September at St Patrick's in Edinburgh's Cowgate. All are very welcome.

A Holy Hour at 2pm will be followed by Holy Mass at 4.30pm. The principal celebrant will be Archbishop Cushley. The guest homilist will be the Redemptorist Father Richard Reid CSsR of St Mary's in Clapham, London, but formerly of St. Patrick's in Edinburgh.

*Being men and women of the Church  
means being men and women of communion*  
Pope Francis@pontifex

### **Today's Liturgy:**

Peter gets it right in today's Gospel and Jesus calls him 'blessed'. That is, he is a person who brings a great gift and who brings that gift to others. Already in the community that Matthew is writing for, the community of Jesus' followers are gathering as 'church'. Peter is seen as Jesus' successor and future leader for that community.

Jesus is a very different Messiah to the one the Jews expected. It is understandable that he would order the disciples to keep quiet. The people of his time wanted a leader who would lead them in a military revolt against the Romans, who would be a great king. Jesus' mission involves a very different focus, reaching out to the outcast, those on the margins, a radical love. His actions will speak for who he is. It is for each of us to make up our own minds as to who Jesus is. Peter is quite clear and sincere in his declaration, however, as we will see later, Peter did not understand fully what the journey of Jesus would entail. Peter commits himself but it is a reminder that we must always leave room for growth in the understanding of our commitments.

*'The joy of Jesus bursts out ... and he speaks his dream of an impregnable community of faith held together by the power of God rather than by external organisation, a community of commitment and freedom.'* W. Yeomans

A question to focus on today might be: 'Who do YOU say that Jesus is?' What is Jesus for you, today, in your life at this precise moment?

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**St Anne's (Kaimes Road) 'Big Sing', Friday 22 September at 7.30 pm** fund-raising for their Development Project. If you would like to suggest a hymn, please e-mail the title to [office@stannescorstorphine.org.uk](mailto:office@stannescorstorphine.org.uk) by Monday 11 September – or mail to St Anne's Parish Church. Your votes will decide which hymns are sung. All welcome to come along and join in with refreshments afterwards. Retiring collection in aid of the St Anne's Development Fund.

**St Thomas' Church** is holding a fundraising *evening of praise* **Sunday 10 September** at 7pm. See poster in porch for details.

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