

St Kessog's Catholic Parish: One Parish, two churches

St Anthony's Balfron and St Kessog's Blanefield

Parish Sunday Bulletin 25th April – 1st May 2022

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 25 April	10:00 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Daily Mass	St Mark
Tuesday 26 April	Day Off	Day Off		
Wednesday 27 April	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Thursday 28 April	9:20 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Friday 29 April	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	St Catherine of Siena
Saturday 30 April	9:30 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Holy Rosary</i>	
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Sunday 1st May	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Sunday Mass	3rd Sunday of Easter
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Sunday Mass	

First Holy Communion Preparation Classes

Classes will begin on Saturday 30th April. So far, we have 6 children have enrolled for sacramental preparation. If you would like to enrol your child, please speak to Fr. Jacob as soon as possible or email louiseolney@hotmail.co.uk

Venerable Margaret Sinclair

Mass to pray for the *Beatification/Canonisation* of *Venerable Margaret Sinclair* will recommence on **5 May** and continue on the **First Tuesday of every month** at St Patrick's Church in the Cowgate, Edinburgh, at **12.30pm**. After Mass the Novena prayers will be recited and petitions placed before her shrine. Petitions may be sent to St Patrick's directly or online at <https://www.margaretsinclair.scot/> using the 'contact' box.

St Kessog's is a Parish of the Catholic Archdiocese of St Andrew and Edinburgh, a Charity registered in Scotland – number SCO085. Contact: Tel. 01360770300. Parish Website: www.parishofstkessog.org

Email Address: stkessogs1@gmail.com

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Event for Married Couples

The Archdiocese is hosting an afternoon retreat for married couples at **3pm, Sunday 8 May** at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. It will be led by Brian & Maureen Devine, a Catholic couple from England renowned throughout the UK for hosting inspiring retreats. Register for this free event at bit.ly/ArchEvenbrite

40 Hours' Devotion

Each parish in the Archdiocese is having 40 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament to help renew our Faith and love of Jesus Christ. It continues at St Mary & St David Hawick, from **Friday 29 April to Sunday 1 May**. Full programme for the Archdiocese is at bit.ly/40hoursschedule. Find out more about Eucharistic Adoration: bit.ly/40HoursPlaylist

Catholics in health and social care

If you work in health and social care and are interested in learning about the ethical challenges, register now for Catholics in Health and Social Care. It's a Zoom event and is ideal for those who missed the same event which took place recently at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh. Register at <https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/events/2022/05/catholics-in-health-and-social-care> for the next event which will take place on **Saturday 14 May**, at **11:30am-4:45pm**.

Lourdes Pilgrimage

The Archdiocesan **Lourdes Pilgrimage** is back! It takes place from **8-15 July** and will be led by Archbishop Cushley. All the details you need are at www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes22

SCIAF Wee Box

Parishes have been extremely generous by giving to our [Ukraine Emergency Appeal](#) and, whilst the need is huge, we cannot forsake our sisters and brothers around the world. Please watch now a message from Archbishop Cushley and Bishop Toal about this year's WEE BOX Appeal at <https://youtu.be/ogGYg2Jlka4>

Pray in May with Mary's Meals

During the month of May, the month dedicated to Our Lady, we invite you to join us in prayer for the work of Mary's Meals. Each day we are reaching more than 2.2 million children with a nutritious meal at school in 20 countries. We ask you to join us in prayers of thanksgiving for 20 years of little act of love that have made this work possible and in petition for God's continued blessing, that through His providence it will continue to grow and flourish enabling us to reach more hungry children. Further information and prayer resources including our new resource for children can be found at www.marysmeals.org.uk/prayinmay

Gift Aid: For any questions regarding donating to the parish, please contact George Edwards on Tel: 07866 683172 or e-mail: geojoedwards@yahoo.com

Parish Census: In order, for us, to function well as a Parish it is important that we have up to date contact details for all our parishioners. Please take a few minutes to complete the registration form on the website: <https://parishofstkessog.org/> (in the 'Connect' section, under the 'Welcome' heading). Thank You.

Parish Bulletin: If you have any news you would like included in our Sunday Parish Bulletin, please email it to Frances: fmdouglas61@icloud.com (Mobile: 07901336305) by Thursday evening. If you know of anyone who would like to receive the bulletin by email, please let Frances know. The current bulletin and previous ones can also be seen on the parish website.

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Cleaning & Flowers Rotas

	St Anthony's Balfron	St Kessog's Blanefield	Date
Cleaning	Brenda & Martin	Patti Strain	Week 25th - 1st May 2022
Flowers	Susan Pollock	Anne Gibb	Week 25th -1st May 2022