

St Kessog's Catholic Parish: One Parish, two churches
St Anthony's Balforn & St Kessog's Blanefield

Parish Sunday Bulletin 24 July 2022

Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 25 – 31 July 2022

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 25 – Friday 29 July 2022 : No weekday mass.				
Saturday 30 July	9:30 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Holy Rosary	
		St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Sunday 31 July	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balforn	Sunday Mass	18th Sunday C
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Sunday Mass	

Grandparents & the Elderly

World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly is on Sunday 24 July. This Sunday's Mass will be dedicated to them to show gratitude for their gifts and contribution to parish and family life. We warmly invite all grandparents, the elderly and their families to join us for this special Mass.

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. This weekend (24 July) it takes place at Our Lady & St Ninian's, Bannockburn. The following weekend it's at Our Lady & St Bridget's, West Calder. **40 Hours of the Exposition of the blessed Sacrament will take place in our Parish of St Kessog's on 25 September 2022** (this means the weekend including Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 September for both churches). We will send you a reminder after 15 August 2022.

Free2Pray

The Scottish Parliament is considering a Bill which would ban peaceful prayers and offers of help near abortion clinics. Catholics concerned for freedom of speech and right of assembly are asked to respond to this proposed Bill. The Archdiocese is hosting an online session to help you do this. Free2Pray takes place on Zoom and lasts 30 mins. Tuesday 2 August 7:45pm: bit.ly/freetoprayaugust

Youth Pilgrimage

The National Pilgrimage for **young people aged between 16-30** takes place on **Saturday 24 September** in Dunkeld, Perthshire. It includes walks to holy sites, talks and Mass. A **bus** will leave from the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, **Edinburgh at 9:30am (£10)**. To book your place email yi@staned.org.uk.

MA in Applied Catholic Theology

Apply now for the MA in Applied Catholic Theology. It is being offered by St Mary's University in partnership with the Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh, at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh, beginning in September. Teaching is flexible and the programme is suitable for graduates of most academic disciplines. Find out more at www.stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh

Schola Cantorum sings MacMillan

This recital takes place at **7:30pm on Monday, 15 August**, at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh. The event will include composer Sir James MacMillan discussing the relation between faith and music with Michael Ferguson, Director of the Schola Cantorum. For details, visit <http://www.edinburghsacredartsfestival.org/festival-2022.html>

Festival Mass

Archbishop Cushley will celebrate the Festival Mass at St Mary's Cathedral at **midday on Sunday 21 August**, followed by a reception in Coffee Saints café.

Margaret Sinclair

The national Venerable Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage is on **Sunday 18 September**. Find out more about this holy Edinburgh woman at www.margaretsinclair.scot

Welcome to Fr George Bradburn

On Sunday 19 June Fr George will be in our Parish for Sunday mass. We hope, he will find your usual warm welcome.

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.

Cleaning & Flowers Rotas

See the cleaning and flowers rota in Balfron or Blanefield.