

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

Parish Sunday Bulletin 09 October 2022

**Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 10 – 16 October 2022**

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 10 October	10:00 am	St Anthony's Balforn	Daily Mass	
Tuesday 11 October	9:30 am	St Paul's Milton of C.	Daily Mass	
Wed. 12 October	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Thursday 13 October	9:20 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Friday 14 October	10:00 am	St Machan's Lennox.	Daily Mass	
Saturday 15 October	9:30 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Holy Rosary</i>	St Teresa of Jesus or of Avila
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Sunday 16 October	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balforn	Sunday Mass	29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday C
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Sunday Mass	

**Notice:** This week, Fr Jacob will be saying the daily mass in **Milton of Campsie** at **St Paul's** church on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>** and on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup>** in **Lennoxton** at **St Machan's** church. **No Mass in churches on those two days.**

**Praying the Holy Rosary**

October is the month of the Holy Rosary, "the prayer that allows us to meditate on the mysteries of Jesus, whose life was closely associated with Mary". The Church invites her daughters and sons to pray the Holy Rosary individually or in group, especially for Peace in the world, for the Conversion and Repentance of sinners, for the Spiritual growth and life of faith in families.

**Registration for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation [Attachment]**

We would like to start preparing for these classes and get an indication of the number of children for each class. Classes will begin in January and are usually held over 6 weeks on a Saturday morning for one hour. If you would like to enrol your child for sacramental preparation, could you please complete the attached registration form and return it to Fr. Jacob (by email at [stkessogs1@gmail.com](mailto:stkessogs1@gmail.com)). The normal age for children to receive the sacraments is **P3 (Reconciliation)**, **P4 (First Holy Communion)** and **P7 (Confirmation)**.

**Oppose Assisted Suicide**

Care Not Killing (CNK), supported by the Catholic Parliamentary Office, has launched a petition which aims to stop plans to legalise assisted suicide. This bill risks undermining the provision of palliative care and efforts to prevent suicide. It may make the most vulnerable people, including the elderly and disabled, feel like a burden. The current law is the safeguard - it prohibits assisting someone's suicide and/or killing them by euthanasia, but the new law will eliminate this safeguard. The state ought to support the provision of care, not deliberate killing. **Please sign the petition at church on this Sunday.** Alternatively, sign online at [www.carenotkilling.scot](http://www.carenotkilling.scot)

### **Music Day**

Join fellow musicians and singers from across the Archdiocese for a **Music Day at 10:30am on Saturday 22 October** at the **Gillis Centre**, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. The event is for anyone interested or involved in music in the liturgy. It features workshops on choir singing & organ/keyboard, sessions on planning music in your parish and a panel where you can ask your questions of the experts. The day is led by Michael Ferguson, Director of Music at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, and James Greechan, Choral Director for the Diocese of Motherwell. Light lunch provided. Free parking onsite. Register now at [bit.ly/musicday2022](https://bit.ly/musicday2022)

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