

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

Parish Sunday Bulletin 15 January 2023

Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 16 – 22 January 2023

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 16 January	10:00 am	St Anthony's Balfroon	Weekday Mass	
Wednesday 18 January	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Weekday Mass	
Thursday 19 January	9:20 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Weekday Mass	
Friday 20 January	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Weekday Mass	
Saturday 21 January	9:30 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Weekday Mass	St Agnes
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Weekday Mass	
Sunday 22 January	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balfroon	Sunday Mass	3rd Sunday A
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield		

Registration for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Sacramental Preparation for the First Reconciliation begins this Weekend. Every Sunday, the class will start at **9:30am** and will finish by **10:45am** to allow a short break **before 11:00am Mass**. We hold the classes in St Kessog's as there is a meeting room which is large enough to accommodate the children. If you still intend to enrol your child for sacramental preparation, please complete the attached registration form and return it to Fr. Jacob (by email at stkessogs1@gmail.com) or contact one of our Catechists (namely Louise Olney or Anne Friel).

Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place from **18-25 January**. This year's theme is praying for unity amidst injustice. Resources and info at www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer

Day for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to a day of reflection and prayer from **11am-3pm** on **Saturday 4 February**. It takes place **at the Gillis Centre**, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Light lunch provided, free parking onsite. Register now at bit.ly/extraordinaryministers

Mass in French / Messe en Français

Mass will be offered in French on **Tuesday 24 January** at **6.15pm** at **St Albert's Catholic Chaplaincy**, George Square, Edinburgh (entrance via George Square Lane). French university students will lead music and refreshments will be served afterwards. All welcome.

Female vocations

Join other young Catholic women to chat and explore God's will in five monthly get-togethers in Edinburgh. The first takes place on **Sunday 29 January, 4-7pm** at St Columba's, 9 Upper Gray Street. It is a chance to pray, share and discuss in a relaxed environment, and refreshments will be served. The series continues at the same time/venue: 26 Feb, 26 Mar, 30 Apr, 28 May. To register please email religiousvocations@staned.org.uk

Valentine's Retreat 2023

This free half-day retreat offers couples a chance to reflect on their love and commitment to each other, to God and to their community. It will be led by Annette and Paul O'Beirne, of Equipes Notre-Dame - Teams of Our Lady. The retreat takes place from **2-5pm** on **Saturday 11 February** at the **Gillis Centre**, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB (free parking onsite). Register at bit.ly/valentineretreat

Funeral Mass for Canon William Conway

For those who knew *Canon Bill Conway*, his Funeral Mass will take place at **12:30pm on Friday 27 January at St Machan's, Lennoxtown**. The reception of the body will take place on Thursday 26 January at 7pm. May he rest in peace !

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.

Last Sunday Collection: Total: £333.00

We thank those who keep on donate by direct debit. Many thanks to all of you for your generosity.

Gift Aid: please contact George Edwards on Tel: 07866 683172 or e-mail: geojoedwards@yahoo.com

Parish Bulletin: If you have any news you would like included in our Sunday Parish Bulletin, please email it to Frances at fmdouglas61@icloud.com or to Fr Jacob at stkessogs1@gmail.com .

You can find this Bulletin and previous ones on our Parish website: www.parishofstkessog.org