

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

Parish Sunday Bulletin 19 March 2023

Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 20 – 26 March 2023

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 20 March	10:00 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Daily Mass	
Wednesday 22 March	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Thursday 23 March	9:20 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
	7:00 pm	St Anthony's Balfron	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	
Friday 24 March	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	St Patrick
	7:00 pm	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	
Saturday 25 March	9:30 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Holy Rosary</i>	
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Sunday 26 March	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Sunday Mass	5 th Sunday of Lent A
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield		

Easter Postcards

Dear parishioners, please take away some Easter postcards, which are to be at the back of the church, and give to someone who hasn't been to mass in a while and who would perhaps appreciate an invitation to join us. It is also an opportunity to support those whose faith is struggling for whatever reason and rose from the dead for the salvation of all human beings. Therefore, the invitation is extended to each and every one of us, to take part in the Easter celebrations.

Special collection

This weekend is SCIAF Sunday and there is a special collection for Papal and Episcopal charities. Please find here in attachments a copy of the *letter from Bishop Brian McGee explaining how your donations help SCIAF support those in need across the world*. Thank you for your generosity.

Relics of Padre Pio

Relics of Padre Pio are touring Scotland (including his gloves and bloodstained bandages). They visit the Archdiocese on **Friday 24 March at 7:00pm in Ss John Cantius & Nicholas church, West Main Street, Broxburn**. There will be Holy Mass and a chance to receive an individual blessing with the relics. A special invitation is extended to the sick and the suffering. Teas/coffee served in church hall afterwards.

Archdiocesan Stations of the Cross

This takes place on **Monday 3 April at 7:45pm on Zoom**. It is a chance to pray for all pro-life intentions and includes a reflection from Archbishop Leo. Register at bit.ly/stations2023

Lent talks

Discover Jesus Christ in the Servant Songs of Isaiah with four **online talks** from the Archdiocese. They are hosted by Fr Jamie McMorrin of St Margaret's, Davidson's Mains, and Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM and continue **at 7:30pm on Wednesday 22 March**. Register at bit.ly/lenttalks2023 Catch up on YouTube: bit.ly/ArchYouTube

Palm Sunday talk

Archbishop Leo hosts *a talk about Palm Sunday on Monday 27 March at 7:30pm*. It is for those who want to better understand the background to the liturgy and prepare for the day. Register for this *Zoom talk* at bit.ly/palmsundaytalk

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: £247.50

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

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 .

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