



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

Parish Sunday Bulletin 26 March 2023

Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 27 March – 2 April 2023

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 27 March	10:00 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Daily Mass	
Wednesday 29 March	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Thursday 30 March	9:20 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
	7:00 pm	In both churches	Stations of the Cross	
Friday 31 March	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Saturday 1 April	11:00 am	St Anthony's Balfron	<i>Naomi's Baptism</i>	No daily Mass
Sunday 2 April	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Sunday Mass	Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion A
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield		

Note:

-  Stations of the Cross on *Thursday at 7pm in both churches.*
-  On **Saturday 1 April at 11am**, there will be infant baptism of Naomi Head at St Anthony's church in Balfron. Please pray for baby Naomi and her family. *No 10 O'clock daily Mass in Blanefield* that day.

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.

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

Archdiocesan Stations of the Cross

Start Holy Week by joining people across the Archdiocese *online for Stations of the Cross*. It takes place on **Monday 3 April at 7:45pm on Zoom** and is a chance to pray for all pro-life intentions. Includes a reflection from Archbishop Leo. Register at bit.ly/stations2023

Called & Gifted Workshop

Identify your charisms (spiritual gifts) and discern God's call through the Called and Gifted Workshop. It is hosted by the Archdiocese in collaboration with the St Catherine of Siena Institute and takes place on **Saturday 20 May from 9:00am to 3:30pm**. Cost is **£25** and includes materials, online access, and lunch. Details and registration at bit.ly/calledgifted2023.

Holy Week: Confessions and Paschal Triduum Celebrations

A. Confessions

St Anthony's church Balfron: **Monday 3 April** 2023, from 9:00 – 9:55am and 10:35 – 11:30am.

St Kessog's church Blanefield: **Wednesday 5 April** 2023, from 9:00 – 9:55am and 10:35 – 11:30am.

From 4:00pm and later in the evening, Confession by arrangement with the Priest.

B. Paschal Triduum Celebrations

✚ **Holy Thursday** 6 April 2023 at **7pm in Blanefield: *Lord's Last Super*** (One Mass for both communities)
+ **Renewal of Commitment** by the *Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist*.

✚ **Good Friday** 7 April 2023 at **3pm in Blanefield: *Lord's Passion*** (One Service for both communities)

✚ **Holy Saturday** 8 April 2023 at **8:30pm in Balfron: *Easter Vigil in the Holy Night*** (both communities)

Note: An active and devoted attendance to the Sacred Paschal Triduum strongly recommended to every baptised.
A very Warm Welcome to everyone !

Necrology: Last Friday, Fabienne Harrison's son-in-law, James Cowderoy, was found dead in the Loch Ard after two days of search. Please, pray for Fabienne, especially for her daughter Iona and their family who are terribly grieved by this tragic loss.

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: £367.50 + Special Collection (SCIAF): £251.00

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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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