

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

Parish Sunday Bulletin 21 May 2023

**Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 22 – 28 May 2023**

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 22 May	10:00 am	St Anthony's Balfon	Weekday Mass	Eastertide
Wednesday 24 May	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Weekday Mass	Eastertide
Thursday 25 May	9:20 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	Eastertide
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Weekday Mass	
Friday 26 May	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Weekday Mass	<b>St Philip Neri</b>
Saturday 27 May	9:30 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<b>Holy Rosary</b>	Eastertide
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Weekday Mass	
Sunday 28 May	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balfon	<b>Sunday Mass</b>	<b>Solemnity of Pentecost</b>
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield		

**Confessions:** Every Saturday after 10 O'clock mass or any day by arrangement with the Priest.

**Communications Sunday**

Today is Communications Sunday. Pope Francis has chosen the theme of speaking with the heart - "*The truth in love*" (Eph 4:15). There will be *a special collection for the apostolate of communications*. We pray for all those in the Church who communicate to others, through multiple means, the saving truth of the Gospel, that they may be diligent servants of the Word and conscientious champions of the truth.

**Celebrate Marriage**

On *Wednesday 31 May at 7:15pm* the Archbishop will celebrate *a special Mass for all Married and Engaged Couples at the Cathedral*. **No registration required**. After the Mass there will be a celebratory reception in Coffee Saints to which everyone attending the Mass is invited. (If you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, or know couples who are, do let us know so that we can send a personal invitation. Please submit names, address and number of years being celebrated to Fr Jeremy Milne, [vemarriage@staned.org.uk](mailto:vemarriage@staned.org.uk), 0131 334 1693., 0131 334 1693).

**Corpus Christi Procession**

A Corpus Christi procession will take place *in Falkirk* town centre **at 2:30pm on Sunday 11 June**. The procession will head to St Francis Xavier's Church for Benediction followed by refreshments in the church hall. Altar Servers can wear their altar robes and those who have recently had their First Holy Communion can wear their dresses/suits.

**St Margaret's Pilgrimage 2023**

St Margaret's Pilgrimage returns to Dunfermline on *Sunday 18 June*. **Mass is at 2:30pm in St Margaret's Memorial Church** in East Port, with Archbishop Cushley as principal celebrant. Ecumenical service at 12:30pm in Dunfermline Abbey, followed by prayers at the tomb of St Margaret. Join people from across the Archdiocese and beyond to give thanks to God for St Margaret's example of faith, charity and leadership.

**Lourdes Pilgrimage 2023 :** *There's still time to book your place* on the Archdiocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes, which takes place from 7-14 July. For full details visit [www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/](http://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/) or email [edinburghlourdes@gmail.com](mailto:edinburghlourdes@gmail.com)

### **Retreat**

Journeying Onward is *a four-week retreat* beginning on *Saturday 27 May*, offered by the Edinburgh Jesuit Centre and The Epiphany Group Scotland. It is *open to all* and *can be taken online or in-person*, with the option of individual meetings. For more information or to book, email [rdljourney@epiphanygroup.org.uk](mailto:rdljourney@epiphanygroup.org.uk) or [ejcretreats@jesuit.org.uk](mailto:ejcretreats@jesuit.org.uk)

### **Laudato Si' Week 2023**

Laudato Si' Week takes place *from May 21-28*. It marks the eighth anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical on care for creation. You can watch the Pope Francis film 'The Letter' for free online at <https://www.theletterfilm.org/watch/>

### **Last Sunday Collection: Total: £181.30.**

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

**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.

**Gift Aid:** please contact George Edwards on Tel: 07866 683172 or e-mail: [geojoedwards@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto:fmdouglas61@icloud.com) or to Fr Jacob at [stkessogs1@gmail.com](mailto:stkessogs1@gmail.com) .

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