



# St Anthony's Newsletter. Sunday 7th June 2020



## Trinity Sunday

### Four Steps to overcome Coronavirus

Hand Sanitation

Self Isolation

Two-metre Separation

Don't forget - Spiritual Meditation

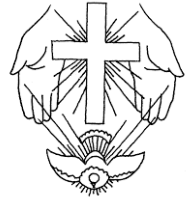
Daily Mass: Fr Jacob records and broadcasts his daily Mass to help us stay connected during this 'lockdown' period. If you have requested to join the St. Kessog's WhatsApp platform you will be able to access the recordings on your mobile. Alternatively, a link is also available via email to the Mass on your computer. Please feel free to contact Fr Jacob or Frances (contact details below) if you require assistance with this.

Live broadcasts of daily Mass are available from the links below, St Francis Xavier, Falkirk, St Andrew's Cathedral, Glasgow and St John the Baptist, Uddingston.

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-francis-xavier-church-falkirk>

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-andrews-cathedral>

<https://saintjohnbaptist.org/church-web-cam/>



### St. Anthony's Newsletter.

Frances Douglas will take over coordinating the church newsletter for the time being to give Terry a break. A huge thank you to Terry for all the time and effort he has put in to organising the newsletter in recent years. We all value this way of communicating on a weekly basis. If anyone has anything of interest that they would like included please contact Frances on phone/text/WhatsApp 07901 336305 or e-mail: fmdouglas61@icloud.com

Church Communications: Ways of sharing and staying connected to our Parish community. Finding ways to stay in touch is even more important than usual during this pandemic when we are not able to meet weekly to celebrate Sunday Mass, and we have limited contact at other times.

As well as the newsletter and the joint Parish WhatsApp Group, work continues to be done on our website to bring it up to date. In addition to this there will also be a Parish Facebook page in the near future. Although it is appreciated that not all parishioners may have access to all these methods of communication, hopefully people will be able to feel connected through at least one or two of them.

On the page below is a message from Fr Jacob and a poster explaining how the four phases of coming out of lockdown will affect our churches. If any parishioners need help in anyway as we continue to move through this process please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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Parish Council: Joint Chairmen: Terry Delany (St. Anthony's) & Kevin McCarron (St Kessog's)

Newsletter: Frances Douglas: Mobile: 07901 336305

Dear brothers and sisters, please find here the four phases of moving out of lockdown with regard to our churches as places of private prayer and collective worship. May God help us to move softly to the public celebrations. God Bless you all! Fr Jacob



# LOCKDOWN LOWDOWN

The Scottish Government's route map document gives details of a four phase move out of the current state of lockdown. **How does this affect our churches?**

PHASE 1

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PHASE 2

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PHASE 3

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PHASE 4

No public gatherings except for meetings of two households, outdoors and with physical distancing.

*(EXPECTED TO BEGIN 28 MAY)*

Places of worship open for private prayer under physical distancing rules and hygiene safeguards.

Marriages and other types of ceremonies to take place with minimal number of attendees.

*(CHURCHES RE-OPEN)*

Places of worship open to extended groups subject to physical distancing/hygiene safeguards.

Relaxation of restrictions to attend funerals and marriages beyond close family.

Mass gatherings resume in line with public health advice.

All ceremonies can take place, with improved hygiene and other precautions.

Source: Covid-19 Route Map, page 44 under 'Gatherings and Occasions'. Phase dates not confirmed and subject to circumstances and data changes.

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## OUR BISHOPS

The Bishops' Conference of Scotland (BCOS) has set up a group for phased reopening of our churches

COVID-19

WORKING GROUP

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Infection Control

Will create an Infection Control Protocol to govern the phased reopening of churches,

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Liturgical Norms

Will create new liturgical advice to govern the celebration of Mass and other sacraments

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## OUR DIOCESE

We will follow the the health and safety protocols issued by BCOS in line with Government guidance

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PREPARING NOW

We are busy preparing support for our parishes ahead of restrictions being lifted.

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INFORMED CLERGY

Archbishop Cushley is keeping our priests updated with guidance from BCOS ahead of Phase 2.

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HELP YOUR PARISH

Your parish priest will need volunteers to assist when churches reopen. Please support him!