St Kessog's Catholic Parish: One Parish, Two Churches St Anthony's Balfron and St Kessog's Blanefield

Sunday Bulletin 20th September 2020

Mass Attendance and Safety

Due to the C-19 pandemic, our Church is concerned not only about your spiritual health, but also about your physical one. Therefore, precautions and measures must be strictly observed by each and all of us. However, these measures should not, in any way, compromise the integrity of the Liturgy. So, as you enter the church:

- Please ensure that you are socially distancing from other parishioners at any time.
- The correct wearing of masks is mandatory.
- Please use **hand sanitiser** on entering the church (this is provided on the entrance table).
- Please follow the instruction about the reception of Holy Communion.
- Please use a cleaning wipe (provided) and wipe down any surfaces you have touched before you leave the church. The toilet should only be used in an emergency.

If you have any symptoms of Coronavirus or have been in contact with someone who has symptoms, please stay at home. The obligation to attend Mass has been suspended. Those who are shielding should not come to Mass until it is advised it is safe to do so by the Scottish Government. Those who are in other vulnerable groups should follow Scottish Government advice when making the decision to come to Mass.

Weekly Masses Schedule: 21st - 27th September 2020

Day/Date	Monday 21st Sept.	Tuesday 22nd Sept.	Wednesday 23rd Sept.	Thursday 24th Sept.	Friday 25th Sept	Saturday 26th Sept	Sunday 27th Sept.
St Anthony's Balfron	x	Day Off	x	x	10.00am	x	9.30am
St Kessog's Blanefield	x	Day Off	10.00am	10.00am	x	10.00am	11.00am

PS. The weekday Mass at St Anthony's, Balfron will be taken back to Monday as soon as possible.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Blessing: Thursday at 9.15am -9.55am **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday after 10.100am Mass or any day by arrangement.

Cleaning & Flowers Rotas

St Anthony's

Cleaning: Brenda & Martin 7th - 20th Sept. Gerry & Susan 21st Sept - 4th Oct

Flowers: Moyra - September

St Kessog's

Flowers: Anne Gibb 12th & 19th Sept

Eleanor Friel 26th Sept & 3rd Oct

Cleaning: Patricia Orr - week beginning 21st Sept.

Children's Liturgy & Catechism

We need a committed helping hand from parents to help our children to know what is celebrated each Sunday during the Mass in our church and how they are invited, as kids, to live their faith in Jesus Christ. So, dear parents, please use the link sent to you by Louise and Michelle for the children's liturgy. Moreover, teach them how to pray and love prayer, and how to give and forgive as the Lord taught us.

Finance

During this difficult time of C-19 pandemic, we would like to whole heartedly thank you for supporting our Parish financially. In order to continue paying regular invoices, your financial support is still very much needed and very much appreciated. If you wish, you can make a standing order through the Parish bank account provided on our website (www.parishofstkessog.org) or you can donate using the following links:

For St Kessog's Blanefield, please use the link:

https://www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086319&type=2&reference=BLANE&amount=

For St Anthony's, Balfron, please use the link:

https://www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086319&type=2&reference=BALFR&amount=

Communion to the Housebound

Family members are encouraged to take Holy Communion to other family members who are not able to come to Mass. Please tell the priest how many hosts you would like. The existing Holy Communion Ministers should speak with the priest and receive from him the Holy Communion to be take to the housebound. It is essential for each of us to follow the safety procedures we are asked to observe.

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

Season of Creation: To mark the 5th Anniversary of Pope Francis' *Laudato Si'* Encyclical, the 'Season of Creation' will be running from the 1st September (World Day of Prayer for Creation) to the 4th October (Feast of St Francis of Assisi)

SCIAF, Justice and Peace Scotland and SCES have prepared a series of online events to engage with Catholics across Scotland on the themes of *Laudato Si'* and Creation. These can be found on: https://seasonofcreation.org/catholic/

A full programme of events is listed in the letter from the Bishop which can be seen on the parish website.

Social Collection for the Aged and Infirm Clergy

Dear Parishioners, this Sunday 20th September, a Special Collection for the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund will take place at Mass. A marked basket (with appropriate Gift Aid envelopes) is provided at the back of the church to allow you to give your contribution if you would like to do so. You can also make donation via the Archdiocesan Facebook page and give to the AICF online at any time by clicking the 'donate' button on the home page of www.archedinburgh.org The Archdiocese is currently supporting 25 retired priests. Please continue to keep them in your prayers and take this opportunity to show your support for them in this challenging time.

Sunday Bulletin If you would like anything included in the bulletin please contact Frances Douglas: e-mail: fmdouglas61@icloud.com or Tel: 07901 336305