

# St Kessog's Catholic Parish: One Parish, two churches

## St Anthony's Balfron and St Kessog's Blanefield

### Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 28<sup>th</sup> March – 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021

| DAY & DATE                             | TIME     | CHURCH                 | ACTIVITY                  | FEAST                                     |
|--|----------|------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| <b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>    | 9:30 am  | St Anthony's church    | Palm Sunday Mass          | Palm & Passion                            |
|  | 11:00 am | St Kessog's church     | Palm Sunday Mass          | <b>Palm &amp; Passion</b>                 |
| <b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>    | 10:00 am | St Kessog's Blanefield | Daily Mass                | Holy Monday                               |
| <b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March</b>   | Day Off  | Day Off                | Day Off                   | Holy Tuesday                              |
| <b>Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b> | 10:00 am | St Kessog's Blanefield | Daily Mass                | Holy Wednesday                            |
| <b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>   | 6:00 pm  | St Kessog's Blanefield | <i>Lord's Last Super</i>  | <b>Maundy Thursday</b>                    |
|  | 7:30 pm  | St Anthony's Balfron   | <i>Lord's Last Super</i>  |   |
| <b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April</b>     | 3:00 pm  | St Kessog's Blanefield | <i>Lord's Passion</i>     | <b>Good Friday</b>                        |
|  | 7:00 pm  | St Anthony's Balfron   | <i>Lord's Passion</i>     |   |
| <b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>   | 8:00 pm  | St Kessog's Blanefield | <i>Easter Vigil Mass</i>  | <b>Holy Saturday</b>                      |
| <b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>     | 9:30 am  | St Anthony's Balfron   | <b>Easter Sunday Mass</b> | <b>Easter of Lord Jesus' Resurrection</b> |
|  | 11:00 am | St Kessog's Blanefield | <b>Easter Sunday Mass</b> |   |

### Church Reopenings

On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March morning, Lord Braid's important ruling declared that the Scottish Government's closure of churches was unlawful. This document declares that the reopening of churches and public worship can be made with immediate effect. This ruling defends the important principle of freedom of worship, and it is to be welcomed.

Many thanks to our many volunteers for cleaning and preparing our churches ahead of reopening. Special thanks to Clare and Patricia for handling the booking system. When we come together for communal worship, some restrictions have still to be observed: Maximum capacity is 50; Two-metre physical distancing; Hand

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sanitiser is available; Names/tel. numbers are taken for Test & Protect; Cleaning takes place between services/ Mass; See also the Guidelines for the Holy Week in attachments.

## **Booking System**

**To book for St Anthony's Services please contact Clare on 01360 550166 and leave a message.**

**To book for St Kessog's Services please contact Patricia on 01360 770202**

## **Meditation of the Stations of the Cross + Confessions**

St Anthony's church Balfron: Tuesday from 4:00pm – 6:00pm.

St Kessog's church Blanefield: Wednesday from 4:00pm – 6:00pm.

## **Easter Triduum**

The following ceremonies will be available on the Archdiocese's YouTube channel: **Holy Thursday**, 7pm | **Good Friday** 3pm | **Easter Sunday** 9am. All celebrations with Archbishop Cushley from St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh. Online at [bit.ly/ArchYouTube](http://bit.ly/ArchYouTube)

## **Pro-Life Stations of the Cross**

Archbishop Cushley will give a reflection at the online Stations of the Cross, organised by the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office, this Monday at 7:45pm. Register now on Eventbrite: <http://standrewsandedinburgh.eventbrite.com>

## **Lent resources**

The Archdiocesan Catechetics Commission has produced a range of resources for Lent that will assist adults and children to deepen their understanding of this holy season and aid them in their prayer life. Find them in the resources section at: <https://archedinburgh.org/pastoral-governance/catechetics/>

## **Year of St Joseph**

The year of St Joseph is still running until 08 Dec 2021. Please use "St Joseph's Family Prayer Book" to recommend our world, our Church and our families to the holy protection of St Joseph.

**Finance:** We thank you for your financial support to our Parish. Nevertheless, we still need your support to face our regular bills or invoices. That is why, we still encourage you either to make a standing order through the Parish Bank Account provided on our Website ( [www.parishofstkessog.org](http://www.parishofstkessog.org) ), either to send a cheque to Parish Priest House in Blanefield (See the mail address in the footer).

**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.

**Parish Bulletin :** If you have any news you would like included in our Sunday Parish Bulletin, please email it to Frances: [fmdouglas61@icloud.com](mailto:fmdouglas61@icloud.com) (Mobile: 07901336305) by Thursday evening. If you know of anyone who would like to receive the bulletin by email, please let Frances know. The current bulletin and previous ones can also be seen on the parish website.

**Gift Aid :** If you would like envelopes for Gift Aid, or have any questions regarding donating to the parish, please contact George Edwards on Tel: 07776 683172 or e-mail: [geojoedwards@yahoo.com](mailto:geojoedwards@yahoo.com)

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### Cleaning & Flowers Rotas

|                 | <b>St Anthony's Balfron</b> | <b>St Kessog's Blanefield</b> | <b>Date</b>                         |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Cleaning</b> |                             |                               | Week 29 March – 4 April             |
|                 |                             |                               |                                     |
| <b>Flowers</b>  |                             |                               | Holy Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March |
|                 |                             |                               |                                     |