

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

Parish Sunday Bulletin 11th July 2021

Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 12th - 18th July 2021

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 12th July	No Mass			
Tuesday 13th July	Day Off			
Wednesday 14th July	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Thursday 15th July	9:20 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Eucharistic Adoration	St. Bonaventure - Memorial
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily mass	
Friday 16th July	10.00am	St Anthony's Balfron	Daily Mass	
Saturday 17th July	9.30am	St Kessog's, Blanefield	Holy Rosary	
	10.00am	St Kessog's, Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Sunday 18th July	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Sunday Mass	16 th Sunday Year B
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Sunday Mass	

Janet Kilmurry's Funeral

Janet's funeral mass will take place on *Monday 12th July 2021 at 10:00 am in St Anthony's church*. The *reception of her body* will be in the same church on *Sunday 11th July at 7:00 pm*. Those who would like to pop in for ten minutes of prayer are welcome. As we are still under the 2meters physical distancing rule until 19th July, those desiring to attend Janet's funeral on Monday can come and stay outside so that we might all give her a farewell applause when her coffin will be taken to the car at the end of mass.

The Garden

As many of you are aware Janet's funeral will take place soon. Out of respect for her and her philanthropy with regards to the front garden at St Anthony's a short working party of gardeners would be very much appreciated to tidy it all up and make it perfect for her last visit to the chapel.

If you can help tel or text me on 07792573495. Jo Noblett

New priests

Congratulations to Fr Martin Eckersley and Fr Bobby Taylor who were both recently ordained as priests of our Archdiocese. Please keep both men in your prayers as they begin their ministry. Fr *Martin Eckersley has been ordained priest just on this Saturday 10 July at 3pm.*

Sea Sunday2021

This weekend is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There are envelopes in the back of the church if you would like to make a donation for Stella Maris (the Apostleship of the Sea), the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. You can also make your donation visiting: www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or text 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. For an appeal talk, and a video showing some of what Stella Maris does, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/SeaSunday.

Applications open! Take a course with St Mary's University

Apply to study at the Gillis Centre on postgraduate part-time MA degrees in education or theology. Be quick, course start in September". Apply at stmarys.ac.uk/Edinburgh . Please, go to [Edinburgh Campus: Gillis Centre \(stmarys.ac.uk\)](http://Edinburgh Campus: Gillis Centre (stmarys.ac.uk)) to find more.

Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage

The Virtual Lourdes Pilgrimage is on from 9-16 July. The week-long online event includes talks and reflections, a virtual walking tour, rosary Stations of the Cross and more. You can watch it all on YouTube at bit.ly/ArchLourdes2021 Check out the full programme at www.edinburgh-lourdes.com. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

On *Sunday 25 July*, the universal Church celebrates the **first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly** at which we are all invited to celebrate and give thanks for the role and contribution of grandparents and older people to their families and our parishes. The Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life have produced some useful resources (attached). Could you please, manage your time to attend along with your grandchildren on 25th July 2021. Justly, among the recommendations for that Sunday, we would like to underline the following:

- Children of the parish are encouraged to attend Mass together with their grandparents;
- In the run-up to the Day, or on the day itself, grandchildren are invited to deliver a copy of Pope Francis' message for the Day, 'I am with you always' to their grandparents;
- Copies of the Pope's message can also be delivered to other elderly members of the community; (Pope's Message will be attached to our next week's Parish Bulletin);
- All are encouraged to make a visit to the elderly living alone in the community following whatever covid guidelines are in place in your area at that time.

100 Club

John Cushley has asked me to inform everyone that he hopes to resume the 100 Club Draw. Due to some relaxation to Covid restrictions he is keen to resume the draw which means starting next Sunday the draw (which has been delayed due to restrictions) will take place after Mass throughout July and in to August. The new year begins end of August so please contact John on 01360 770257 regarding payment for the coming year or if you would like information on joining this very important fund raising for the whole of the Parish. It is our only means of fundraising other than Gift Aid so the more parishioners involved the better.

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Standing Order Payments: *Message from George*

This is specifically aimed at our parishioners paying by Standing Order into the current St Anthony's bank account. Central Finance of the Archdiocese have instructed us that only one bank account should be operated in each parish and we should comply with this instruction. Therefore can I ask that all our parishioners currently paying through the bank amend their standing orders and make all donations to the account detailed below:

Bank: Royal Bank of Scotland

Account Name: Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh, St Kessog's Blanefield

Account Number: 10423646 **Sort Code:** 83-06-08

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 to make a standing order through the Parish **Bank Account Name:** Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh, St Kessog's Blanefield; **Account Number:** 10423646; **Sort Code:** 83-06-08; or to send a cheque to Parish Priest House in Blanefield (See the Postal Code in the footer).

Gift Aid: For any questions regarding donating to the parish, please contact George Edwards on Tel: 07866 683172 or e-mail: geojoedwards@yahoo.com

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 (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.

Cleaning & Flowers Rotas

	St Anthony's Balfroon	St Kessog's Blanefield	Date
Cleaning	Brenda & Martin	Patricia Orr	Week 12th - 18th July
Flowers	Moyra	Anne Gibb	Saturday 17th July