

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

Parish Sunday Bulletin 29th August 2021

Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 30th August - 5th September 2021

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 30th August	10.00am	St Anthony's Balfron	Daily Mass	
Tuesday 31st August	Day Off			
Wednesday 1st September	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Thursday 2nd September	9.20am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Eucharistic Adoration	
	10.00am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Friday 3rd September	9.20am	St Anthony's Balfron	Eucharistic Adoration	St Gregory the Great - Memorial
	10.00am	St Anthony's Balfron	Daily Mass	
Saturday 4th September	9.30am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Holy Rosary	
	10.00am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Sunday 5th September	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Sunday Mass	23rd Sunday of the Year
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Sunday Mass	

Eucharistic Adoration on 1st Friday of Month

Next Friday, 3rd September 2021, will be the first Friday of the month. There will be Eucharistic Adoration in St Anthony's church in Balfron at 9:20am before 10 o'clock mass.

Webinar for clergy & parish finance committees

Funding for clergy retirement is the biggest financial challenge facing our Archdiocese. Clergy and members of parish finance committees are invited to a Zoom webinar at 6:30pm on Tuesday 31 August, hosted by the Archdiocese. The session will share the progress made, the challenges faced and options for parish based solutions. Here is the link to join on the night: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89884035553>

National Pilgrimage

The Bishops' Conference of Scotland invite you to the shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Carfin for the annual national pilgrimage. The event is in honour of St Joseph in this year of dedication to him. It takes place at 3pm on Sunday 5 September.

Event: Shakespeare: A Catholic Perspective

Explore the Bard's plays in a *Six-week Webinar Series* titled *Shakespeare: A Catholic Perspective*. The sessions will look at six of his best known works, with insights on human nature from St Thomas Aquinas. Don't worry if you haven't read Shakespeare, you'll be guided along each week! The event is organised by the Archdiocesan Catechetics Commission and it begins on **Monday 6 September at 7:30pm**. Register at bit.ly/ShakespeareWebinar

Justice & Peace Mass

The *Annual Archdiocesan Justice & Peace Mass* takes place at **7:30pm on Monday 6 September** at St Columba's, Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh (EH9 1SN). It marks the beginning of the Season of Creation and will be a chance to pray for the success of COP26. Refreshments will served after Mass. Register at bit.ly/JusticeAndPeaceMass2021

Vocations

The monthly *Mass for Vocations* will be at **6:30pm on Monday 6 September** at St David's in Dalkeith (not at St Columba's, Edinburgh, as previously advertised).

Safeguarding Webinar

The Bishops of Scotland invite clergy, religious, church employees and volunteers across Scotland to a *National Safeguarding Webinar* at **11:00am on Saturday 2 October**. It will be a chance to find out more about the safeguarding document *In Gods Image v2* and reflect upon on its implications for your safeguarding role. The link to register is: bit.ly/3gQRdPu

Safeguarding Induction Part 2 Training (Duration approx. 90 Mins)

1) Wednesday 8 September 2021 at 7.15pm

Trainer: Joanne Aitken - Joanne.Aitken@staned.org.uk

Please book directly with Joanne via the email address above.

2) Saturday 25 September 2021 at 10am

Trainer: Julie Brechin - julie.brechin@staned.org.uk

Please book direct with Julie via the email address above.

30 places available for each session. Please also provide your parish and role within the parish when booking - Thanks.

Event: A Call to Action

During the Season of Creation and in advance of COP26, the Archdiocesan Commission for Caritas, Justice & Peace invite you to a mini-colloquium titled 'The Human Face of the Climate Emergency: A Call to Action' It takes place at **3-5pm on Sunday 12 September on Zoom**. For more details and to register, visit: bit.ly/ACallToAction2021

Synod

A synod of the bishops will take place in Rome in 2023. The Holy Father has asked for the synod's preparations to begin in local churches. It will begin with a period of consultation and discernment on Sunday 17 October this year. Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM has been asked to be the Archdiocese's lead

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delegate in the national synodal process and will be assisted by Fr John Deighan (Lennoxton, Milton & Torrance). An announcement will be made soon on how that process will take shape in our Archdiocese.

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 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 Balfron	St Kessog's Blanefield	Date
Cleaning	Brenda & Martin	Elizabeth Taylor	Week 30th Aug - 5th Sept
Flowers	Frances	Alice Fraser	Saturday 4th Sept