

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

Parish Sunday Bulletin 30 October 2022

**Weekly Celebrations Schedule: 31 October – 06 November 2022**

DAY & DATE	TIME	CHURCH	ACTIVITY	FEAST
Monday 31 October	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Tuesday 1 November	10:00 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Mass of Solemnity	ALL SAINTS Holyday of Obligation
	6:30 pm	St Kessog's Blanefield	Mass of Solemnity	
Wednesd. 2 November	9:20 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	Commemoration of ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Thursday 3 November	Clergy Day Meeting in Edinburgh at the Gillis Centre [No daily mass]			
Friday 4 November	9:20 am	St Anthony's Balfron	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday of Month St Charles Borromeo
	10:00 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Daily Mass	
Saturday 5 November	9:30 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	<i>Holy Rosary</i>	
	10:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Daily Mass	
Sunday 6 November	9:30 am	St Anthony's Balfron	Sunday Mass	32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday C
	11:00 am	St Kessog's Blanefield	Sunday Mass	

**Mass and Parish Meeting on Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of November**

November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, we will celebrate the solemnity of **All saints** and it is therefore a Holyday of **Obligation**. In order to allow as many parishioners as possible to attend mass, there will be two separate masses held in our Parish, one at **10am** at **St Anthony's church in Balfron** and the other at **6.30pm** at **St Kessog's church in Blanefield**. After this second, at about **7.15am** we will have a Parish meeting in the Chapel House in Blanefield, where a cup of tea/coffee/biscuits will be made available for those attending.

**Registration for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation [Attachment]**

We would like to start preparing for these classes and get an indication of the number of children for each class. Classes will begin in January and are usually held over 6 weeks on a Saturday morning for one hour. If you would like to enrol your child for sacramental preparation, could you please complete the attached registration form and return it to Fr. Jacob (by email at [stkessogs1@gmail.com](mailto:stkessogs1@gmail.com)). The normal age for children to receive the sacraments is **P3 (Reconciliation)**, **P4 (First Holy Communion)** and **P7 (Confirmation)**.

**Vacancy – administrator**

The Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh is seeking to appoint an Administrator. The position is full time (Mon-Fri) and the annual wage is £21,000 per annum. Full details at [bit.ly/archadminjob](http://bit.ly/archadminjob) To apply, please send your CV and a cover letter to [recruitment@staned.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@staned.org.uk) by **Monday 7 November**.

### **Special talk on family life**

Professor Stephan Kampowski is a world renowned expert on marriage and the family in a Catholic context. He is visiting the Archdiocese from Rome next month to give a series of talks and will speak **at the Gillis Centre**, 100 Strathearn Road, **Edinburgh**, at **11am on Saturday 5 November**. He will give a morning talk titled '*Family relationships and personal identity*', then in the afternoon a talk titled '*To Promise and to Forgive: Establishing and Healing the Bond between Persons.*' Then follows a Q&A, with Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM and Fr Michael John Galbraith joining the professor. Register at: [bit.ly/ourfamilytalks](http://bit.ly/ourfamilytalks)

### **ACN event**

Dr John Newton from Aid to the Church in Need gives a **talk at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, on Wednesday 9 November** on *The Crisis in the Church in East Asia*. The event is hosted by Friends of St Mary's Cathedral, and is a special pre-#RedWednesday event. **Tickets £5**. Register at <https://bit.ly/acnevent22>

### **Catholics: Faith and Engagement in Scotland**

What does the work of the Scottish Catholic Media Office (SCMO) and Scottish Catholic Parliamentary Office (SCPO) involve? Find out in *Catholics: Faith and Engagement in Scotland*, a **webinar** featuring Peter Kearney of the SCMO and Anthony Horan of SCPO. **Two optional dates: 1-2pm Wednesday 2 November**, register at <https://bit.ly/webinar2nov> or **7:30-8:30pm on Thursday 3 November**, register at <https://bit.ly/webinar3nov>

### **Safeguarding Matters**

The latest edition of the Safeguarding Matters newsletter for the Catholic Church in Scotland is now available in the news section at [www.scsafeguarding.org.uk](http://www.scsafeguarding.org.uk)

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

### **Cleaning & Flowers Rotas**

See the cleaning and flowers rota in Balfron or Blanefield.