



SAINT KESSOG'S

ONE PARISH – TWO CHURCHES
St Anthony's Balfroon & St Kessog's Blanefield

Weekly celebrations: 23 – 30 June 2024

	Sun 23	Mon 24	Wed 26	Thurs 27	Fri 28	Sat 29	Sun 30
Saint Anthony's	9.30 am	10.00am					9.30am
Saint Kessog's	11.00 am		10:00 am	*9.20 am 10.00 am		*9.30 am 10.00 am	11.00 am
Mass	Sunday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday			Sunday
Feast/event	12 th Sunday B	Nativity of St John the Baptist		*Eucharistic Adoration	St Irenaeus	*Holy Rosary	St Peter & St Paul Holy Day of Obligation

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday after 10 o'clock mass or any day by arrangement with Father Jacob.



Last Sunday's
Cash Collection

BLANEFIELD

£86.05

BALFRON

£31

TOTAL

£117.05

Special Collection

£12.00

£85

£97.00

We also thank those who donate by direct debit.

Reflection this Sunday's Gospel (Mark 4:35-41)

"Master, do you not care that we are perishing?" When the waves of our stormy world invade the boat of our life, we often feel that the Lord is sleeping and does not care about us. Today's gospel illustrates how Christians sometimes lose their trust in the Lord when faced with life's challenges. Despite Jesus' presence in the boat, the disciples traveling with him on the Sea of Galilee thought he was sleeping and unconcerned about their plight: *"Master, do you not care that we are perishing?"* This can happen to us too. When we face stormy situations, we might forget that the Lord is present in our lives and succumb to panic. However, we should cry out to the Lord in trustful prayer, convinced that the Guardian of Israel does not sleep or slumber (Ps 121:4).

Fr Jacob

Priests Reassignments within our Diocese

Last weekend, a list of priest reassignments in our diocese was published. Among the priests being moved, was Fr. Jacob Kabamba. I will relocate to St. Margaret's in Queensferry this September. Fr. Alexander Longs Osa will replace me and has been appointed to St. Kessog's in Blanefield. Thank you for your love and support during the 5 years and 9 months I have spent among you as your priest.

Special Celebrations in the Parish

If you have a special event to celebrate and would like to share it with other parishioners, such as birthdays, wedding anniversaries, or memorials for departed loved ones, please contact Fiona Radif (fionaradif@hotmail.com), France Douglas (fmdouglas61@icloud.com) or Fr. Jacob (office.stkessogblanefield@staned.org.uk) to have it included in the parish bulletin.



Peter's Pence: Special Collection

The annual collection for Peter's Pence is on **Sunday 30 June**. There will be a **second collection to support Pope Francis' Mission and charitable works**. Special Donations to Peter's Pence have financed 192 projects in 72 countries recently. Thank you for your generosity.

General Election – Pastoral Letter *(attached)*

The Bishops of Scotland have published a letter ahead of the General Election on 4 July, highlighting key issues to help Catholics reflect on how they will vote. Attached is a pastoral letter from the Bishop's Conference of Scotland. Printed copies are also available at the back of the Church.

Additionally, a copy of questions for candidates is provided. Visit the website of the Catholic Parliamentary Office for more information and resources: <https://rcpolitics.org/general-election-2024/>



African & Caribbean Community

The next Mass with the African & Caribbean community in the Archdiocese is at St Cuthbert's Church, 104 Slateford Road, Edinburgh, EH14 1PT at **2pm** on **Sunday 7 July**.

St Margaret's Pilgrimage – Sunday 23 June

Gather in faith and thanksgiving to celebrate one of Scotland's patron saints in Dunfermline on **Sunday 23 June 2024**. The procession to St Margaret's Church takes place from the Glen Gates in Bridge Street to the Church starting at **2:00pm**, followed by **Mass at 3:00pm**.

Schola Cantorum

An evening of summer music takes place at **St Mary's Cathedral** in **Edinburgh** at **7pm** on **Wednesday 26 June**. The event features Vivaldi Gloria in D with Chamber Orchestra, followed by a drinks reception. Tickets £10. Visit <https://bit.ly/CathedralSummerMusic2024>

Dominican Conference

The Second Conference in Edinburgh of the Dominican Family, with the theme of Mercy, takes place **Friday 28/Saturday 29 June** at the Assembly Hall and New College, Edinburgh. This is a public event and there is no charge. If you wish to have a meal on Friday or Saturday, please book using the following link (donation welcome): bit.ly/godsmercyandyours

Events in the Archdiocese

For a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese, visit <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>



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:

www.parishofstkessog.org
see the 'Connect' section, under 'Welcome'.

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PARISH BULLETIN

If you have any news you would like included in our Sunday Parish Bulletin, please email it to Frances at fmdouglas61@icloud.com or to Fr Jacob at stkessogs1@gmail.com. You can find this Bulletin and previous ones at **www.parishofstkessog.org**

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