

27 April 2025

SAINT KESSOG'S

ONE PARISH - TWO CHURCHES

MASS | SAINT ANTHONY'S | SUN | 9.30AM

SAINT KESSOG'S | SUN | 11.00AM

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, C – DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

What Happens at the Death of a Pope

When a pope dies, a centuries-old process begins to ensure a smooth transition in the Catholic Church. The period following his death is known as *sede vacante* (the vacant seat), during which the Church is temporarily without a leader.

IMMEDIATE STEPS

- The **Camerlengo**, a senior Vatican official, formally confirms the pope's death. Traditionally, this involved calling out the pope's baptismal name three times, though today, medical confirmation is used.
- The **papal ring**, known as the Fisherman's Ring, is destroyed to prevent unauthorized use.
- The **papal apartments** are sealed, marking the official end of the pope's governance.

FUNERAL AND MOURNING

- The **pope's body** is prepared and placed in St. Peter's Basilica for public viewing, allowing mourners to pay their respects.
- A **nine-day mourning period** (*novemdiales*) follows, during which special Masses and prayers are offered.
- The funeral typically takes place within four to **six days after death**, led by the Dean of the College of Cardinals.

ELECTION OF A NEW POPE

- The **College of Cardinals** gathers in Vatican City for the **conclave**, the secretive process of electing a new pope.
- Only **cardinals under the age of 80** can vote, and a **two-third majority** is required to elect the new pontiff.

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THANK YOU

Last Sunday's cash collection

SAINT ANTHONY'S	SAINT KESSOG'S	TOTAL
£177.20	£295	£472.20

We also thank those who donate by direct debit.

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- Ballots are burned after each vote – **black smoke** signals no decision, while **white smoke** announces the election of a new pope.
- Once elected, the new pope is introduced to the world with the declaration: “Habemus Papam” (We have a pope).

This process ensures continuity in leadership while honoring the legacy of the deceased pope.

May the soul of Pope Francis and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.
Amen.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK/HOMEBOUND:

Mercia Murray, Eva Miller, John Convery, Margaret Sharp

Mass at Blanford House

Monthly Mass at Blanford House has commenced and will hold on the third Sunday of every month at 1.30pm.

Rosary Prayer before Mass

Rosary Prayer takes place daily in our parish thirty minutes before each mass. All are welcome to join in the prayer.

Sick and Homebound

A list of the sick and homebound is being compiled for special prayers during Mass and for a potential visit by Fr. John. Kindly submit all names to Fr. John. For sick calls, please contact Fr. John at 07916 797027.

Bank of Scotland

We remind you that the Bank of Scotland account of St.

Anthony's, Balfour is to be closed soon following the recommendations of the Finance Office of the Archdiocese to maintain only one account. We appeal that all monies should henceforth be paid into the Parish RBS account. We equally appeal that all who pay directly to BoS should cease payment to that account and instead pay directly to RBS. The account details are:

**ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND, ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. ANDREWS
& EDINBURGH ST KESSOGS BLANFIELD, ACCOUNT NUMBER:
10423646, SORT CODE: 83-06-08**

Second collection for Church microphones

The Sunday collection for the above is still on. Please donate generously to this cause. Bank transfers can be made to St. Kessog's RBS account (Please indicate it is for the Microphone project). God bless you.



Donated £513.50

Goal £2,399

PLEASE DONATE GENEROUSLY !

The Archdiocesan Requiem Mass for Pope Francis takes place at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, this Monday (28 April) at 12:45pm. Everyone is warmly invited to attend and pray together for the repose of the soul of the Holy Father.



Gala Concert at Cathedral

The Schola Cantorum will perform a gala concert in St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, on Wednesday **30 April** at 7:30pm. Includes excerpts from Handel's Messiah and other beautiful music. Prosecco interval. Tickets £10 at bit.ly/ScholaGala25 or pay at the door. All proceeds to supporting the choir's singing at diaconate ordinations in Rome next month.

Holy Year talk

A series of Holy Year talks take place on the last Sunday of each month at 4:30pm in the Carmelite Convent, Hot Pot Wynd, Dysart, KY1 2TF. The next talk is on Sunday **27 April** from Fr Paul Lee on The Risen Jesus. The one-hour event includes evening prayer, Eucharistic Adoration and has been organised by the Fife Deanery. No registration required. All welcome.

Celebration of Fr Tommy Greenan

The story of the Edinburgh priest who served the poor in war-torn El Salvador will be shared at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, on Thursday **8 May** at 7:30pm. Speakers will share their memories of Fr Tommy Greenan and tell the story of how his acclaimed book *The Song of the Poor* came to be published following his death. The book will be available for purchase at the event. No registration required. All welcome.

Mass for Married and Engaged Couples

The annual Archdiocesan Mass for Married Couples (and those preparing for marriage) takes place at 7:15pm on Tuesday **27 May** at St Mary's Cathedral. Archbishop Cushley will be the principal celebrant and will give a blessing to couples.

WEEK AHEAD

27 April – 4 May 2025

	Sun 27	Mon 28	Tue 29	Wed 30	Thu 1	Fri 2	Sat 3	Sun 4
Saint Anthony's	NO MASS							9.30am
Saint Kessog's	11am			10am	10am	10am	10am	11am
Feast/Event	2nd Sun Easter /Altar							Sunday Mass

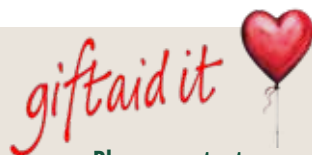
Please join us with your family and friends for Mass

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

PARISH BULLETIN

If you have any news you would like included in our Sunday Parish Bulletin, please email it to stkessogsparish@gmail.com. You can find this Bulletin and previous ones at

www.parishofstkessog.org



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PARISH CENSUS

In order, 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'.

Celebrations in the Parish

If you have a special event to celebrate, such as a birthday, wedding anniversary, or memorial for a departed loved one, and would like to share it with other parishioners by having it included in the bulletin, please email stkessogsparish@gmail.com