

Fr Rafal is saying Mass in our Church every morning at 8.00am. The Holy Hour takes place at 7.00pm on *Thursdays*; *The Rosary is being said at 7.40pm on Thursdays*. These are streamed live on our Parish Facebook page. Parishioners wishing to take part should go onto the website, www.sbek.org and click on the Facebook tab.

Collections: During the time that our Church is to remain closed, weekly offerings cheques can be posted to the Church or cheques and Gift Aid envelopes can be posted through the door of the Chapel House. Alternatively, offerings can be made by bank transfer, the details of which are as follows: St Brides, Sort Code: 82-62-24, Account Number: 40500017. Thank you for any support and generosity during this difficult time. During the period between 25 May and 15 June 2020 the collections/donations (cash, gift aid envelopes, cheques) amounted £1,870.00, of which £1,405.00 was gift-aided.

Any Parishioners who may be in need of help during this difficult time should contact Fr Rafal who will be happy to provide the help where possible. Any Parishioners who may be able to help others should contact Fr Rafal.

Gift Aid: During the pandemic time our parish received some regular donations from people who are not registered for Gift Aid. Please, consider registering your donations for Gift Aid, if you are a tax payer.

St Kenneth's Primary: Mass at the end of term will be celebrated at 10am on Tuesday 23 June in our church and will be streamed via our Parish Facebook page.

Children's Liturgy video for 12th Ordinary Sunday https://youtu.be/60z7IZE_vHA.

Bishop's Message for Confirmandi https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-sP_BwrZjcM

Anniversaries: Canon Michael Ryan, Marion MacNeil, Christina Sarah Maguire,

Recently dead: Gerard Paul Thompson, Brian Kennedy (Westerton), Frances Green (Ayr).

Father's Day Remembrance: Alfonso, Alberto & Elio Faccenda, Don Smeaton.

*Funeral arrangements for **RIP Margaret DiAmbrosio** to follow.*

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



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Sunday 21 June 2020

12th Sunday - Year A



***Holy Mass is being streamed live every morning at 8.00am
Holy Hour and Rosary are being streamed live on Thursday at
7.00 to 8.00pm***

Feast Days: Wednesday 24 June: *The Nativity of St John the Baptist*

Club 200: This week's £60 winner is **Mark Guidi**. Please contact Fr Rafal for details on how to collect your cheque.

The obligation to hear Sunday Mass is dispensed until further notice.

As we prepare for the reopening of our parishes churches for prayer here is a summary of what is mandatory:

1. The cleaning and disinfecting of our church will take place after each service.
2. 2-metre physical distancing must be observed.
3. Hand washing must be observed, and hand sanitizer will be available.
4. Face coverings **must** be worn at all times within church buildings.

Please find the link to the video guide explaining the hygiene procedures for church reopening. <https://youtu.be/mOY64wEMFF0>

Our church of St Bride's East Kilbride **will reopen for private prayers** only from Sunday 28th June onwards. The church will be open every day between 9am and 12noon; during this period there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and adoration. If you could commit to at least half an hour of private prayers, please let Fr Rafal know; we have to safeguard our church.

Liturgical Guidelines for Holy Mass

Recognising that the virus is predominantly contagious through the breathing in of air droplets, these guidelines are based on the need to reduce the length of time when parishioners are together. These are tentative steps for returning to Mass and may be reviewed at any time.

Singing of Mass parts and hymns may be omitted.

Both the Gloria and the Creed may be omitted.

At Sunday Mass the second reading may be omitted.

The sermon should be brief.

In place of the words "Body of Christ" for each communicant, before the Celebrant receives Holy Communion, he may say the words *May the Body and Blood of Christ keep us all safe to eternal life*, to which the congregation responds *Amen*.

In accordance with the national protocol on Infection Control, it is recommended that Holy Communion be received in the hand for the duration of the pandemic.

The communicant should extend his/her hands to receive the host and then step two paces to the side in order to place the host on the tongue.

Holy Communion may be distributed after the Final Prayer. Parishioners may be directed to leave the Church immediately after receiving Holy Communion.

There is a full detail of all these, and other guidelines, published by the Bishops' Conference of Scotland.

Volunteers: As we prepare to open the church safely, we need volunteers to clean the church and to act as pass keepers. In order to protect the volunteers themselves the following advice must be followed: volunteers should not be under 18 years. Volunteers could be older than 70 years old, but only if they have no underlying health problems that makes them vulnerable to the Covid19 virus. Volunteers will be trained and given gloves, aprons and facemasks. Our training meeting for all pass keepers and cleaners will be held in our church on **Wednesday 24th June at 6pm**. At the moment we are looking for a few additional volunteers. Please, let Fr Rafal know, if you could volunteer, or simply come along for the meeting.

The Bishops' Conference of Scotland has prepared the following pastoral letter, guidelines, etc regarding preparation to reopen churches. The link can be found here: <https://www.bcos.org.uk/COVID19/tabid/127/Default.aspx>

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament,
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though You have already come,

I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

My Day by Day: Anyone wishing to place an order for **My Day by Day** book should contact **Frances Caullay on 07946165134**. Thank you for organising this Frances!

Safeguarding Webinar series #aSaferChurch - Tuesday 30th June

The next event will be held on 30 June 2020 at 3pm CEST (Rome time). You can register by following the link bit.ly/RegisterISC2. We will announce the speakers in the next few weeks. Below is the link to the recording of the webinar held on 29 May 2020. https://youtu.be/U5_m660HD8w

New Vocations: if anyone does express interest in the priesthood he should contact Fr Charles O'Farrell, either by phone (01698 423044) or email at frofarrell@rcdom.org.uk.

Ecumenical Call to Prayer

For the sixteenth consecutive week, 14 Churches and Christian organisations across Scotland call on Christians to pray together in response to the COVID 19 Pandemic. Please join in prayer at **7 pm, this Sunday 21st June**. The internet link to the prayer is <https://churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/scottish-churches-share-this-weeks-sunday-prayer>