

Ecumenical Call to Prayer: For the 26th 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 23 August**. The internet link to the prayer is below.

<https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/read-sundays-prayer-in-response-to-the-pandemic>

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

SSVP: During the pandemic you may wish to make any donations to St Bride's SSVP via bank transfer. Details: Bank: Clydesdale Bank, E.K. Town Centre; Account Name: SSVP MW 05015; Account Number: 20538417; Sort Code: 82 62 24.

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.

Collections During the Pandemic: Collections baskets are placed at the entrance to the Church. Offerings, cheques, gift aid envelopes can be posted to the Church or 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 28 July and 10 August 2020 the collections/donations amounted £2,398.89, of which £1,398 was gift aided. Thank you.

Anniversary: Christina Farren, Maria Kochanska, Tommy Burns, Michael Doherty.

Recently Dead: Edward Kelly, Terry McArdle, Janette McLaughlin (Port Glasgow), Betty Murphy (Strathaven).

*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 23 August 2020

21st Sunday - Year A



Masses

Monday - Saturday 10am

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am and 6.00pm

Holy Hour

Thursday evenings 7pm to 8pm

Confessions

On request

Feast Days: Monday 24 August: *St Bartholomew*, Thursday 27 August: *St Monica*, Friday 27 August: *St Augustine*, Saturday 29 August: The Passion of St John the Baptist.

Votive Candles: A volunteer will be in attendance in the side Chapel to light votive candles for you at the end of Mass. This is to avoid multi touch hard surfaces (covid19).

Mass Booking System: Parishioners who **do not** have internet access can telephone the Chapel House on 01355 220005 on Monday between 11am and 1pm when their booking will be taken and made for them. Please understand that **telephone bookings are for Parishioners who do not have internet access**, as this gives them a fair chance to attend the Mass of their choice. For Parishioners with internet access, the Eventbrite booking system will be open for bookings from Tuesday mornings from 9.00 am onwards. Step by step instructions for booking Masses on Eventbrite are detailed below.

- Go into the Parish website (Booking your seat for Mass) or the Parish Facebook account.
- Click on either the Eventbrite link, or on the picture of the Church.
- The booking form will then open automatically. Click on red section 'Select a Date' on the right side.
- You will then be taken into the available Masses. Click on the 'Tickets' button for the Mass you wish to attend.
- Choose the number of tickets you wish from the dropdown arrow at the top right-hand corner of the page, then click the 'Register' button at the bottom right-hand corner. Insert your name and email address and click 'Register'.
- You will then receive an email confirming your booking. It is not necessary to print or bring your ticket with you. There will be a follow up email asking Parishioners to forward their name, address, and telephone number to bulletin@sbek.org. This only needs to be done the **first time** they are booking through Eventbrite.
- To **cancel a ticket** click on your order number and cancel.

Any Parishioners who have booked tickets through Eventbrite and wishing to cancel, should do so directly through Eventbrite using the 'Cancel ticket' option.

Seats do not need to be booked for Monday - Saturday 10.00 am Mass, although if the number should exceed 50, seats will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis. Those attending daily Masses will be asked to provide their details at the entrance. We are doing this to keep in line with Government requirements.

When entering the Church please use the main door off the piazza. Only parishioners with mobility issues may use the side door at the Sacristy. We will continue to stream all our Masses and services on our Parish Facebook account. During the pandemic our Church will open half an hour before each Mass. It is important that Parishioners remember that face coverings must be worn in the Church when attending Mass and private prayer. When arriving in Church our volunteers will meet you at the entrance and

show you your seat. Social distancing must be observed. When entering the Church please sanitise your hands. A one-way system is in place when entering and leaving the Church. All hard surfaces are cleaned and disinfected by our committed volunteers after each service in our church. Please, do not use the kneelers during the pandemic time as it is exceedingly difficult to clean and sanitise them. Hand sanitiser are also available at the exit of the church. Once again, we are doing this to keep in line with Government requirements. Thank you for your understanding.

We would remind you that Parishioners attending Mass and private prayers should:

- wear a face covering
- maintain social distancing
- observe the one-way system
- sanitise your hands
- not use kneelers in pews.

Liturgical Guidelines for Holy Masses in St Bride's East Kilbride:

These guidelines are based on the need to reduce the length of time that Parishioners are together. These may be reviewed at any time:

- Singing of Mass parts and hymns is not allowed.
- Organ music will be played by our organist only as a background.
- We will have one reader at lectern at each Mass.
- The sermon will be brief.
- In place of the words "Body of Christ" for each communicant, before the Celebrant receives Holy Communion, the Celebrant will say the words *May the Body and Blood of Christ keep us all safe to eternal life*, to which the congregation responds *Amen*.
- Holy Communion will be received in the hand.
- 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 is distributed after the final blessing. Parishioners will be directed to leave the Church immediately after receiving Holy Communion.
- Mass leaflets and printed copies of the bulletin are not available during the pandemic.
- Only our cantor can sing at mass (behind the screen).

Free Food Donations: If you know any parishioners or families within our parish or East Kilbride community who would benefit from free food donations from our local supermarkets in the nearest future (fruits, vegetables, bakery goods, chilled/frozen items, ambient tins and packages), please let Fr Rafal or our parish SSVP know asap.

Baptismal Congratulations to Katy & Dean Reynolds whose daughter Evangeline will be baptised in our church this Sunday at 1pm.

Eucharistic Service will be held in our church this Saturday 29 August at 10am.