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 13 April and 3 May 2020 the collections/donations (cash, gift aid envelopes, cheques) amounted £2,186.00, of which £1,846.00 was gift-aided. Donations to SCIAF amounted £241.00.

Any Parishioners who may be in need of help during this difficult time are asked to 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.

**7th Sunday of Easter Childrens’ Liturgy:**  [https://youtu.be/oMVmyulYUrE](https://youtu.be/oMVmyulYUrE)

**85th Birthday Mass:** Mary Agnes McCabe.

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

Month’s Mind: Margaret Galloway.

**Anniversaries:** Margaret Dillon and Tony Dillon, Brian Greig, Bishop Joseph Devine, Evelyn Knight, Martin (Christy) Reilly, Elio Faccenda, Paul Joseph McCabe, Ellen Thompson.

**Recently dead:** Catherine McSorley, Margaret Harkins, Mary Miller (Australia), Linda Colquhoun (Tarbolton), William Gilfoil & Rose McLean, Ellen Timoney (Glasgow), Ricky Hassan.

**Funeral arrangements:**

**R.I.P. Bridgit Snakenburg** - service in South Lanarkshire Crematorium on Monday 3 June

> May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
The Novena to the Holy Spirit began on Friday 22 May.
This Sunday is World Communications Day.
Feast Day: Tuesday 26 May: St Philip Neri.
31 May is the Bishops of Scotland’s Day for Life.

The Church is taking some action at the national level to prepare for a staged reopening of our Churches. These include materials for cleaning and disinfecting our church; masking tape will be useful to mark out areas of our church for physical distancing; hand sanitisers at the entrance and a face covering for people. We will have to observe the physical distancing of 2m. Our general rule of thumb is that this typically results in about 20 to 30 percent of the total capacity of our Church. There will be changes when entering and leaving our church. We will be using a separate entrance (only the door near the stall) and exit (only the door near the sacristy). We will think about the numbers who attend typical Adoration and Masses, and estimate how many people will be able to come at any one time. We will be cleaning and disinfecting high-touch surfaces in common areas after each use. There is good evidence based advice on how to sew homemade face coverings at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html and there may be volunteers willing to sew these.

Poland 2020: Our trip/pilgrimage to Poland at the end of May this year has to be cancelled or postponed. We will meet as a group when it is possible to decide whether we want to cancel it or postpone it (Autumn 2020 for example).

Lectio Divina for Teachers
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GoHQmk9x7UM&t=6s

Pope Francis asks us to pray the Holy Rosary daily in response to COVID-19. The letter and prayers are available at: Vatican News vaticannews.va provides the full text of Pope Francis’ Letter on the Month of May, addressed to all the faithful throughout the world. … Read and download/print at: https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-04/letter-on-the-month-of-may-full-text.html

Ecumenical Call to Prayer - 24 May: For the ninth week, 13 Churches and Christian organisations across Scotland are calling on Christians to pray at the same time in response to the COVID-19 outbreak. Please join in prayer at 7 pm on Sunday 24 May. Included below is the internet address/link for this week’s information sheet: https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/scottish-churches-join-together-in-call-for-prayer-on-sunday2

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.

St Margaret's Children & Family Care Society: Joanna Hearl, Training and Fundraising Coordinator with St Margaret’s Children & Family Care Society, has asked that the following message be passed to parishes. As I’m sure you can imagine this is a really worrying time for many charities. We are fortunate that we can still support most of our families remotely at this time. We are just having to be a little bit more creative in how we do this. However, our biggest challenge throughout this crisis, is going to be the recruitment of prospective adopters. We are working hard to ensure that when this is over, and it will be over at some point god willing, we have enough new adopters to continue to deliver our services. Put simply, if we don’t, we will find ourselves in a really difficult position financially. To this end we are trying to utilise the fact that many people are at home with time on their hands and perhaps getting round to looking into adoption if they have thought about it previously. I am happy to provide more information to anyone who requires it. Our Facebook page can be found at the following link: www.facebook.com/stmargaretsadoptionsociety. Our Twitter page can be found at this link twitter.com/stmgtadoption. Our Instagram page can be found at this link www.instagram.com/stmgtadoption/. Our website www.stmargaretsadoption.org.uk can also be shared. Joanna Hearl is also available on 07986887798.

The Joyful Mysteries
The following links lead to a resource, featuring videos from staff/pupils/clergy/parishioners etc, prepared by the Diocesan RE Team on the Joyful Mysteries.

The Annunciation https://youtu.be/HZRZVAFwTVk
The Visitation https://youtu.be/iHmkuRIILMsM
The Nativity https://youtu.be/lzGV_yGw
The Presentation https://youtu.be/KXquhioXDJU
The Finding in the Temple https://youtu.be/_e6KsEn_zn4

Some time ago a ring was found in our Church. Please let Fr Rafal know if you lost it.