

St. John Bosco - (31st January)

John Bosco was born in the archdiocese of Turin, Italy, in 1815. His father died when John was 2 years old and it was his mother Margaret who provided him with a good and Christian education. His early years were financially difficult, at 20 years of age he entered the major seminary, thanks to financial help from Louis Guala, founder and rector of the ecclesiastical residence St. Francis of Assisi in Turin. John Bosco was ordained a priest in 1846, and with the help of John Borel he founded the oratory of St. Francis de Sales. Gifted as an educator and a leader, Don Bosco founded the Society of St. Francis de Sales (Salesians). Also, with the help of Sister Mary Dominic Mazzarello, he founded the Institute of the Daughters of Mary Auxiliatrix. Don Bosco became a traveller throughout Europe, seeking funds for the missions. (reports referred to him as "the new St. Vincent de Paul). He also found time to write popular catechetical pamphlets, which were distributed throughout Italy, as was his Salesian Bulletin. This great apostle of youth died on 31st January 1888, and was canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1934. Pope John Paul II named him "teacher and father to the young"



Feed the Hungry: Place non-perishable and tinned items etc. in the basket/ box at the back of the church. Our SVDP & KSC will distribute goods to the needy in our area and support "The Gate".

Urgently needed: Instant potato, Tinned meat/fish + veg/fruit, Pasta sauce, Beans, Spaghetti, Packets of custard, Cereals, Biscuits, Squash, Noodles, Stock cubes, Jam and Tea/Coffee etc.... **PLEASE HELP!**



If you know of anyone in need in the parish please let the SVDP know or just put a note with name and contact details in the SVDP collection box in the church.



"The Church is called to bear witness to Christ by taking courageous and prophetic stands in the face of the corruption of political or economic power; by not seeking her own glory and material wealth; by using her resources to serve the poorest of the poor and by imitating Christ's own simplicity of life."

- Pope Saint John Paul II, *Redemptoris Missio*, para. 43

More at: <http://www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk/>



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Mobile phones must be switched off or put to Airplane mode in the church as they interfere with the speaker system.

St. Bernadette's RC Church Tullibody Parish Newsletter - 28th January 2018 4th Sunday in Ordinary time

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MASS TIMES:

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm. Sunday Morning Mass: 11.30am

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Wed, Thurs & Saturday at 9.30am.

NO SERVICES ON TUESDAY and FRIDAY.

ALSO SEE PARISH DIARY FOR HOLY DAYS AND FUNERALS ETC.

Welcome

Are you visiting our Parish or have you just moved into the area? Please feel very welcome... Introduce yourself to the Parish Priest or welcomers at the back of the church. There are no strangers here just new friends you haven't yet met...

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Margaret McIntyre, John Craig, (Kathleen Clarke & Family, Peter-James, Gerard and Shaun-Joseph), Sarah Jane Connelly, Dave Kerr, Lisa Hertwig, Dr. Michael Basquill, Lynne Malkiewicz, Brendan Murphy, Margaret Byrne, Kathy McLaughlin, William Crews, Helen & Tommy McMenemy, Agnes Conlan, Bishop Emeritus Vincent Logan, Mgr. Basil Canon O'Sullivan, Fr. Jim McCrudden and all those in the various nursing homes.

Remember those who have recently died: Margaret Tobin, Bernard O'Sullivan, Tess Basquill, Marian Connor, Patsy Gallacher, Gabriel Wiems, and Gregory Aitken.

and those whose anniversaries of their death occur at this time... Andrew Wilson, Hannah McNiven, Bernard Hughes, Vera Freyne (Fr. Mikes mother), Cathie Stolarek, Steven Marcinkiewicz, Josef Marcinkiewicz and Ronald Marcinkiewicz.

Parish Website: <http://www.catholic-church.org/stbernadettes/>
For newsletters, notices, information from parish groups, history, links to schools, other catholic organisations and publications.

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION 21st January		Regular Meeting
Gift Aided	£365.50	SVDP: Meet 2 weekly at 10.30am before Sunday mass in the church hall . Next meeting: 4th Feb
N Gift-Aided	£306.32	Knights of St. Columba: Meet at 7.30pm on first Wednesday of each month in the church hall at St. Mungo's Alloa.

PARISH DIARY



Saturday 27th January	5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette's.	4th Sunday in Ordinary time
SUNDAY 28th January	Mission Appeal by Columban Fathers 11.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette's. (Children's Liturgy)	
Monday 29th January	9.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette's. 7.00pm - Parish Education Committee meeting.	
Tuesday 30th January	NO SERVICES 7.00pm - Liturgy Committee meeting.	
Wednesday 31st January	9.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette's. <i>Feast of St. John Bosco</i>	
Thurs 1st February	9.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette's.	
Friday 2nd February	NO SERVICES. 12noon - Concelebrated Mass at St. Modan's High School with Bishop Stephen for St. Modan's feast day (4th Feb) and launch of Education week.	
Saturday 3rd February	9.30am - Morning Mass & Confessions, St. Bernadette's. 5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette's. <i>Feast of St. Blaise</i>	
SUNDAY 4th February	11.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette's. Children doing Readings, Collection & Offertory.	5th Sunday in Ordinary time
Special collection for Education Week		

*** Education Committee meeting will be at 7.00pm on Monday 29th January.
Liturgy Committee meeting will be at 7.00pm on Tuesday 30th January.**

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

27 JANUARY	Fr. Mike returns.
28 JANUARY	Children's Liturgy & Mission Appeal by Columban Fathers.
29 JANUARY	Parish Education Committee 7pm
04 FEBRUARY	Special collection for Catholic Education Service
14 FEBRUARY	ASH WEDNESDAY

"If we fail to suffer with those who suffer, even those of different religions, languages or cultures, we need to question our own humanity." - (POPE FRANCIS @Pontiflex)

Today we will have a mission appeal and special collection for Society of Saint Columban for Foreign Missions who are a Catholic missionary organization working in 15 countries with a special commitment to Asia and Latin America. There are presently 592 Columban missionaries of ten nationalities ministering in 15 countries.

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO:
<http://www.columbans.co.uk/>



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**Columban Mission's will celebrate
their Centenary Year in 2018**

4TH ANNUAL PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE

Shortly after his installation as Bishop of Dunkeld, Bishop Stephen got into discussions to set up a local pro-life conference to maintain the spotlight on pro-life issues in the Diocese. In conjunction with SPUC Dundee, the 4th Afternoon for Life is to be hosted by Bishop Stephen in the **Pastoral Centre, Lawside Road, on Saturday 24th February**. The conference is much needed this year as the pro-abortion lobby step up their campaign to decriminalise abortion and silence those who seek to help women facing a crisis pregnancy. Despite recent medical research showing the significant negative impact on the mental and physical health of women experiencing abortion, the Scottish Government have returned abortion to the back street by allowing abortion drugs to be taken at home. This devastating move has been legally challenged by SPUC in Scotland, but many won't be aware of the dangers of the DIY abortion scheme. Not only does the scheme compromise further the health of women, but in undermining the safety provisions set out in the Abortion Act, the scheme takes Scotland a step closer to total decriminalisation – a transformation that will allow for abortion at any stage in pregnancy for any reason.

The Dunkeld Diocese Afternoon for Life will hear from speakers in the firing line. Margaret Ackers, past president of University of Edinburgh Life Society, is currently touring Scotland with SPUC to campaign against the push to decriminalise abortion. Complimenting Margaret's talk, the Afternoon for Life organisers are delighted to be hosting Clare McCullough, founder of the Good Counsel Network. In a recent letter to Amber Rudd MP, Clare sets out an irrefutable argument against buffer zones. In her truthful simplicity she writes that Rudd's proposed legislation would ban peaceful 'activity which has allowed hundreds of women to make a choice to keep their baby which would have been impossible for them otherwise'. Emmett Dooley, SPUC Director of Outreach will also address the conference with ideas of how Dunkeld Diocese can help in the fight for life. For more information and to book a place contact Clare McGraw on:

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The Diocese of Dunkeld will launch their Catholic Education celebrations, marking 100 years of partnership between Church and State, on the 2nd February 2018, during Catholic Education Week, in St Modan's High School. Information at Scottish Catholic Education Service website sces.org.uk/