

Following the recent appeal for new members we are having a meeting on the 8th of Nov at 10.30am in the church hall to welcome all new members who have come forward to help the SVDP.

### SVDP FOOD BOXES

**Starting next Sunday - 8th November**

Traditionally the SVDP collect foodstuffs to help those in need in our parish at Christmas.

This year parishioners are invited to bring non-perishable goods each Sunday up to Christmas and deposit them in the box at the back of the church, we are also looking for sweets or selection boxes to be distributed to children.

The SVDP will then make up parcels to be given as a help to the most needy in our parish over the Christmas period.

All donations are gratefully accepted. Please be as generous as you can and take time to explain this to the children, how we receive presents at Christmas but also give to share and help others, particularly those in need.



### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY.

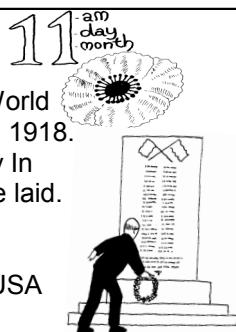
Today we remember all of the dead from all wars and conflicts.

This day was set apart originally to remember the dead of the First World War that ended on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918.

On this day normally at 11am there is silence and throughout the day in churches, cemeteries, war memorials and public crosses wreaths are laid.

At St. Bernadette's a wreath has been placed at the outside cross as Sunday mass begins a wreath will be placed at the altar.

In the past Remembrance Day was called Armistice Day and in the USA it is known as Veterans Day.



### + Lourdes Youth Project 2016 +

A few weeks ago Monica and Ciara our two youths that went to work in Lourdes this year shared their experiences with us.

**We are now looking for candidates to come forward for next year.**

**We need to have names in by mid-November.**

**Applicants must be at least 16yrs of age by June 2016.**

***Anyone interested please speak to Fr. Mike.***

### Knights of St. Columba - St. Andrew's Social Night

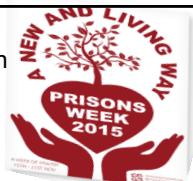
**Friday 27th November in St. Mungo's Church Hall 7.30pm - 11.30pm**

**Tickets £10 (Includes Stovies) - Music from The Jack Delaney Band**

### Prisons Week 15th-21st November 2015 A New and Living Way

Hebrews chapter 10 tells us that by God's will, "we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all", and that his body has become a curtain, through which we can enter his presence and begin a new and living way. A new way of life with hearts cleansed and our guilt washed away.

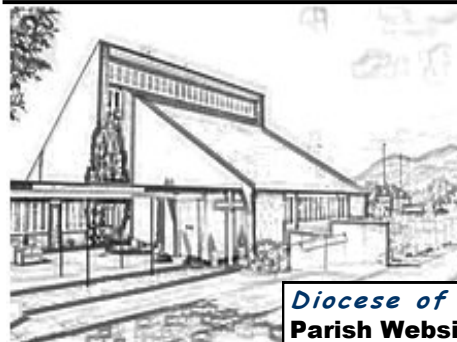
More information at: <http://www.prisonweek.org/>



**ATTENTION... WE NOW HAVE CCTV IN THE GROUNDS AROUND THE CHURCH & HOUSE**

# St. Bernadette's - Parish Newsletter

## 8th November 2015 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)



Diocese of Dunkeld Scottish Charity No. SC001810  
Parish Website <http://www.catholic-church.org/stbernadettes/>

### MASS TIMES

**Vigil Mass Saturday: 5.30pm**  
**Sunday Morning Mass: 11.30am**

**Weekday Masses: 9.30am on**  
**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday + Saturday**  
**Tuesdays - No Mass**  
**Friday evening mass at 7.00pm**

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# Welcome

*Are you visiting our Parish or have just moved into the area?*

*Please feel very welcome.....*

*Introduce yourself to the Parish Priest or newcomers 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....** Dan Tierney,

Sarah Jane Connelly, Mary McGeehan, Margaret Mc'Intyre, Paul Kochanek, Mona Pyat, Anne McNiven, Brendan Murphy, Margaret Byrne, Veronica Clarke, Gerard Clarke, Peter James Clarke, Kathleen Clarke, Margaret Tobin, Joan Wright, Austen Todd and all those in the various nursing homes.



**Remember those who have recently died....** Anne Ross

**and those whose anniversaries of their death occur at this time....**

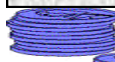
Paul Stolarek and all those named on our November Lists.



On this Remembrance Sunday we also remember those who have died in all Wars and conflicts.



**From today the figure for the collection will show Gift Aided & non-Gift Aided amounts. The Parish will receive an additional 25% of the Gift Aided figure from the Inland Revenue.**



### Parish Collections

25th October 2015	Gift Aided	£257.70
	Non-Gift Aided	£279.61


### REGULAR MEETINGS

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** Meet in the hall weekly at 10.30am before Sunday morning mass.

**KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA:** Meet at 7.30pm on the first Wednesday of the month in the Hall at St. Mungo's, Alloa.



## THIS WEEKS DIARY

<b>Saturday 7th November</b>	5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette's 7.00pm - Vigil Mass, St James's	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Remembrance Sunday</div> 
<b>Sunday 8th November</b>	9.30am - Mass, St James's 11.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's.	
<b>Monday 9th November</b>	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 7.00pm - St. Modan's, Stirling - Memorial Mass	
<b>Tuesday 10th November</b>	NO SERVICES IN PARISH. 10.00am - Mass, Nazareth House.	
<b>Wednesday 11th November</b>	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 2.00pm to 5.00pm - Edinburgh	
<b>Thursday 12th November</b>	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion, St. Bernadette's. 10.00am - Clacks Education Committee, Alloa 7.00pm - PPC, Kinross	
<b>Friday 13th November</b>	NO EVENING MASS 7.00pm - Cathedral Dundee. 25 years of priesthood, Kevin Golden.	
<b>Saturday 14th November</b>	9.30am - Mass & Confessions 5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette's.	
<b>Sunday 17th November</b>	9.30am - Mass, St. James, Kinross 11.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's.	

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

15th - 21st Nov	Prisons Week 2015 - A New and Living Way.
25th Nov Wed - 7pm	Annual Education Mass for All Heads, Teachers and Support Staff in Convent Chapel, Lawside, Dundee.
29th Nov	Special collection. Poor Mission Fund

**St. Vincent De Paul.** If you know of anyone in the parish that could do with a visit or any help from us then please put a note with details in the S.V.D.P box at back of the church.

## November Month of The Holy Souls

All our deceased who are named will be prayed for at ALL masses throughout the month of November.

**MONDAY 2nd November ALL SOULS MASSES AT ST. BERNADETTE'S 9.30am & 7pm**

*'We cannot proceed to increase the wealth and power of the rich while we entrench the needy in their poverty and add to the woes of the oppressed.'* Popularum Progressio, p. 33  
<http://www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk/>

## MISSION THOUGHTS

At the Parish Pastoral Council Fr Mike introduced a short reflection to evaluate if our parish is a missionary as it should be. Pope Francis thoughts on the church's mission could be our guide line.

Pope Francis issued a mission statement for his papacy that outlined his hope that the Catholic Church would become more merciful to the needy and less "confined and clinging to its own security. He explained his hope to reform the church into a more missionary organization that "gets its hands dirty" for the sake of the poor and oppressed in a world that prizes profit over people.

"I prefer a church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security," he wrote. "I do not want a church concerned with being at the center and then ends up by being caught up in a web of obsessions and procedures."

He added: "More than by fear of going astray, my hope is that we will be moved by the fear of remaining shut up within structures which give us a false sense of security, within rules which make us harsh judges, within habits which make us feel safe, while at our door people are starving and Jesus does not tire of saying to us, 'Give them something to eat.'"

"The church, as the agent of evangelization, is more than an organic hierarchical institution; she is first and foremost a people advancing on its pilgrim way towards God," "Excessive centralization, rather than proving helpful, complicates the church's life and her missionary outreach."

Looking at some of the cold statistics of the past year we discover:

### **St. Bernadette's School, the children raised:**

£401.34 for MacMillan Cancer, £50 for Ebola treatment and

£1285.40 for SCIAF and that was doubled by the government's matching programme. And remember they, also with parents and carers, participated in most of the Parish events.

### **St. Bernadette's Parish itself raised:**

Missio £420.00	African Missions £230.00
Lourdes Project £4,000.00 (over a longer period)	Advent project £3,265.92
SCIAF boxes £653.00	Brazil Coins £1,180
Apostleship of Sea £203.00	SCIAF £510.00
	Mary's Meals also collected: £457

### **The SVDP through the year have helped others with:**

1 x Youth to India £100	2 x Helpers to Lourdes £200
Govanhill SSVP Project £200	May 2015, Nepal Earthquake Appeal: £300
Parish Project (Uganda) £120	2 x Families Caravan Holiday: £500
Sept. 2015, Syria Appeal: £500	<b>Plus all the other local activities they are involved in.</b>

Not counting all the special collections we are asked to support throughout the year and also remembering that lots of people individually help people and organizations the grand total comes to **£12,655**

**While we may not be putting our lives on the line, we are making the effort to follow Pope Francis' example reaching out and sharing with others. This is something we have to thank God for. We know that if our faith is genuine we have to put it into practise, break out of the confines of our parish boundaries and announce Jesus to the world by sharing what little we have.... Congratulations to all.**