

PARISH ADVENT PROJECT

During the Sundays of Advent and Christmas Day there will be **no second collection but a bucket at the back of the church for those who wish to support an Advent Project.** No one should feel obliged to participate.

The main pastoral aim is to give the opportunity for parents to explain, to the children why the bucket is there, what the project is about and that there is more to Christmas than Santa Clause. **(please do this and OFTEN !)**

Christmas is a time of sharing and giving as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. The project will be a "joint venture" between St. Bernadette's (Tullibody), St. James (Kinross) and St. Mungo's (Alloa). The projects we are supporting we have direct contact with them. They should send us emails and photos before and after if that is possible for them. There are no administration nor bank fees involved. All the money collected goes directly to the projects.

We have said we will do our best – with no guarantees – to help in 3 small projects:

- 1. Sister Emily** is setting up a Health Centre at Mt Elgon Uganda. She has procured a building and needs help to finance the medical equipment cost estimated at **£2300.**
- 2. Fr. Eleu** has no electric power at all he needs funds to equip his Presbytery with a small solar system. **£1200.**

Any monies beyond this will be used to support :

- 3. The parish in Koloin in Uganda.** We purchased 60 bicycles for their catechists last Christmas and contributed to building the altar.

They need 250 benches at £90 each. We will fund as many as we can.

At the back of the church we will put up photographs, emails etc. During mass we will remember them and our efforts in the Prayers of the Faithful. The money we will send out by the first week in January and we should have final reports back by February.



SVDP FOOD BOXES

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.



Wee County Children's Christmas Store

New and Pre-loved Children's Clothes, Toys, Gifts & Accessories

all available for "pay what you can" donations to The Gate & Sauchie Foodbanks

opening times:
Monday - Saturday, 10-4pm
1st - 24th December 2015

1 Coalgate, Alloa
opp. Rhona McCallum Hairdressers
next to Bar Aldos

The SVDP door box collection on Saturday the 12th and Sunday the 13th of December will be for projects in Brazil supported by Father Mike, projects that get very little other financial support.

It would be good to hand in your Brazil Jars in by Mid-December this will give Fr. Mike time to exchange the money to dollars



ALTAR SERVERS

Mass times and Liturgical Service times when we Need altar servers have been published. Please with the help of parents and carers fill in when you are available and can help serve your parish.



St. Bernadette's - Parish Newsletter

6th December 2015 - 2nd Sunday of Advent



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

**Baingle Brae,
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Welcome

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

Please feel very welcome.....

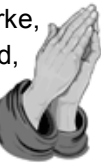
Introduce yourself to the Parish Priest or welcomers at the back of the church.

There are no strangers here just new friends you haven't yet met.

Every Sunday till Christmas we will have an Advent Service at 4.30pm in the church - please come along to prepare for Christmas.

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, Susie Meehan and all those in the various nursing homes.



Remember those who have recently died....

Joe Horsburgh and Jim McCool.

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

Paddy Docherty and William Hutchinson.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ADVENT / CHRISTMAS MISSION PROJECT.



Parish Collections

29th November	Gift Aided	£249.05
	Non-Gift Aided	£338.90
Poor Mission Fund		£249.88
Advent Project		£101.86

REGULAR MEETINGS

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

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

THIS WEEKS DIARY

Sat 5th Dec	5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette's	2nd Sunday of Advent
Sunday 6th December	11.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 4.30pm - ADVENT SERVICE	
Monday 7th December	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 7.00pm - PPC, St. Bernadette's Hall	4.30pm - House Mass
Tues 8th Dec	10.00am - Mass, Nazareth House 7.00pm - Mass, Cathedral, Dundee, Opening of THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY	
Wednesday 9th December	8.15am - Mass St. Modan's RC High School, Stirling. 9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 6.30pm Parents School Council, St. Bernadette's	
Thursday 10th December	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 7.00pm - PPC, Kinross	School Christmas fete
Fri 11th Dec	7.00pm - Mass, St. Bernadette's	
Saturday 12th December	9.30am - Mass & Confessions, St. Bernadette's 5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette's. & 7.00pm - St. James's	
Sunday 13th December	9.30am - Mass, St. James's 11.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. + 4.30pm - ADVENT SERVICE	3rd Sunday of Advent

Advent Diary

14 DEC MONDAY	12 NOON DEANERY MEETING AND CHRISTMAS LUNCH 3.45 pm St James, 1st Confessions. 4.30pm House Mass, St. Bernadette's 7.00pm - St Mungo's, Alloa St Modan's Concert
15 DEC TUESDAY	7.00pm - F & M, ST JAMES ?
16 DEC	8.15am Mass, St Modan's Stirling, 7.00pm - F & M, ST BERNADETTE'S.
17 DEC	10.00am Clacks General Council Meeting. NO MASS ST BERNADETTE'S
18 DEC FRIDAY	9.30 am END OF TERM MASS, St. Bernadette's 7.00pm - Blues Mass, St James NO EVENING MASS ST BERNADETTE'S
19 DEC SATURDAY	9.30am MASS + CONFESSIONS St Bernadette's VIGIL MASSES: 5.30pm- St. BERNADETTE'S & 7.00pm - St. JAMES
4th SUNDAY of ADVENT 20 DECEMBER	9.30am MASS St. James, & 11.30am - MASS, ST BERNADETTE'S 4.30pm ST BERNADETTE'S - CHRISTINGLE SERVICE - SCHOOL KIDS 4.30pm ST JAMES; ADVENT SERVICE
21 DEC MONDAY	4.30pm House Mass, St. Bernadette's 7.00pm PENITENTIAL SERVICE - ST BERNADETTE'S
22 DEC TUESDAY	7.00pm PENITENTIAL SERVICE ST JAMES, KINROSS
23 DEC WED	NO MORNING MASS - ST Bernadette's 7pm BLUES MASS - ST BERNADETTE'S
Thurs 24 DEC CHRISTMAS EVE	VIGIL MASS: 7.30pm ST.BERNADETTE'S (7.00pm Carols) 8.30pm ST.JAMES (8.00pm Carols)
Friday 25 December CHRISTMAS DAY	10.00am - MASS - ST JAMES 11.30am - MASS - ST.BERNADETTE'S
SAT 26 DEC BOXING DAY	9.30 MASS ST BERNADETTE'S VIGIL MASSES: 5.30pm - ST BERNADETTE'S & 7.00pm - ST JAMES

On MONDAY 14th December at St. Mungo's Church: St Modan's and our primary schools will have their Christmas choir presentations. Please come along for a wonderful musical evening and support our schools.

WE APPEAL TO ALL READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND ANYONE INVOLVED IN THE LITURGIES DURING THE ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS PERIOD PLEASE ARRIVE 10 MINUTES EARLY so we can confirm you are present and we can begin on time.



JUBILEE OF MERCY
MERCIFUL LIKE THE FATHER

PONTIFICAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE NEW EVANGELIZATION



TUESDAY 8TH DECEMBER BEGINS HOLY YEAR OF MERCY.
Solemn opening of the Jubilee Year of Mercy & opening of the Holy Door.
7.00pm in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee,

HOLY YEAR

The **HOLY DOOR** opens for the first time in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee on 8th December 2015 the feast of the Immaculate Conception with mass at 7pm. All are invited to this mass and it would be good if some cars were organised e.g. a car from the Knights, SVDP, morning group and perhaps the school.

Throughout the year there will be many liturgical celebrations, some will be decentralised to 5 centres the nearest to us will be St. Mungo's, Alloa. Please take note of the **STATION MASS** on Wednesday 2nd March 2016 at St. Mungo's Alloa.

Every month there is a special Jubilee mass for special groups e.g. Eucharistic Ministers, Servers, Pass Keepers and Readers - Corpus Christi 29th May at 3pm or the Jubilee of the Diocese 12th June at 3pm at Kilgraston. There are so many that people will be able to choose but we will make a choice of priorities for our parish at the next PPC on Monday 7th December.

During this Jubilee Year pilgrimages have been organised by the Diocese. Please note:
Pilgrimage to Rome: September 8 -18, 2016
Pilgrimage to Lourdes 8 -15, JULY, 2016
Pilgrimage to Kilgraston, June 12th 2016
If you are interested look for more information in the Dunkeld News. We will share with you as we receive updates. Please consider the Lourdes Pilgrimage.

We are looking for YOUTH VOLUNTEERS to go and work, looking after the sick.
They must be AT LEAST 16 years of age by June 2016.
The Lourdes/Youth Fund will pay their expenses. If your interested you need to speak to Fr Mike or someone in the group before 8th December

WELLBURN Home.

We were all used to the Little Sisters coming round every year and standing at the doors of Tesco's begging for money for the Welburn old folk ' home in Dundee. The little Sisters had to withdraw after 100 years there due to lack of vocations. The Home had over 40 residents which Dundee Council could not accommodate. The Diocese after a lot of thinking, planning and negotiations has decided to continue the home and has legally purchased the building and land. The actual Home is now being run by the Diocese but the buildings are in poor condition and the cost of renovation is too much. It has been decided it is cheaper to build a brand new Home on the land which both the Diocese and the Local Council are enthusiastic about. The Diocese is looking for competent, creative fund raisers to help pay for this enormous venture. Anyone interested in joining the Diocesan Fund raising group please see Fr. Mike.
After Christmas there will be "wee boxes" handed out for those who wish to begin helping.