

INTER-PARISH ADVENT PROJECT (Target £5,900)

St. Bernadette's total: £2,126.00

Overall total from 4 parishes: £,7446.64

More info at: <http://www.catholic-church.org/stbernadettes/groups.html>



Feed the Hungry

Please place non-perishable / tinned items etc. in the box/ basket at the back of the Church.

Members of our SVDP & KSC will distribute the goods to the needy in our area and also support "The Gate" Foodbank in Alloa.

148kgs of foodstuffs etc. was donated to "The Gate" in December.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Scotland



KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

GATHERING OF CATHOLIC PARENTS

The parent Involvement Working Group of the Scottish Catholic Education Service (SCES) are organising an event for all interested Catholic parents with children currently at school.

This Gathering for Catholic Parents will take place on **Saturday, 21st January 2017** between **10.00am and 12 p.m.** in **St. Francis Xavier Church Hall, Taylor Avenue, Carfin.**

During this event parents will have the chance to talk to each other about the matters which are important to them regarding Catholic education and to discuss ways in which they can contribute to the Mission of their Child's Catholic school. **Places for this event are free, but booking is essential.**

For further info & booking places contact SCES by email: mail@sces.uk.com or phone: **0141 556 4727** or complete the online form at sces.org.uk

St. Bernadette's Primary School Enrolments



We will be enrolling our new P1s on the 12th and 13th of January 2017.

Please inform any friends and/or family who are considering sending their child to St. Bernadette's that they should phone the school on 01259 723973 to arrange a time to enrol on those dates. The child should be 5yrs of age on or before 28.02.18.

Proof of address, a birth certificate and baptism certificate (if the child is baptised) will be needed. It is easy to check whether or not St. Bernadette's is a child's catchment school on the Council website at:

<http://www.clacksweb.org.uk/mapping/schoolcatchment.php>

All parents who live within the catchment, and wish their child to attend St. Bernadette's, should enrol directly with us.

There is no need to enrol with another school or to put in a placing request.

St John Vianney's Christmas Coffee Morning:

The coffee morning held on 4th December raised £772, thanks to St Bernadette's parishioners who supported this event.

£500 of the money raised was donated to the Advent Project Appeal to support the drilling of boreholes and the financing of baby's room in a care home for abandoned children both in Uganda.

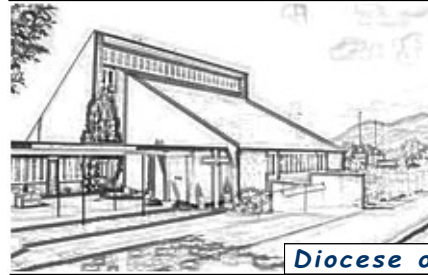
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An evening of entertainment with the **Dolly Mixtures & 60's/70's Disco** **St. Mungo's Church Hall** **Friday 3rd February 2017** **Tickets £5.**

The TOILET in the sacristy is NOT for parishioners. The toilets for general use are just inside the hall.

St. Bernadette's - Parish Newsletter

8th January 2017 + Epiphany of the Lord



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

MASS TIMES: Till end of January 2017

Saturday Vigil Mass, 5.30pm + Sunday Morning Mass, 11.30am

Morning Office & Holy Communion:

Monday, Wed, Thurs & Sat at 9.30am. Friday & Tuesday - No Services

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 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.... Margaret Mc'Intyre, Anne Mc'Niven, Margaret Tobin, Austen Todd, Sarah Jane Connelly, Margaret Foye, Kathleen Clarke & Family, (Veronica, Peter-James, Gerard, Bernard and Sean-Joseph), Susie Meehan, Brendan Murphy, Paul Kochanek, Margaret Byrne, Dave Kerr, Lynne Malkiewicz, Sheena Neil, Lisa Hertwig, Dr. Michael Basquill, Ron Foster and all those in the various nursing homes.



Remember those who have recently died... Vera Freyne (Fr. Mikes mother), Dan Tierney and Rose Anne McLanachan and those whose anniversaries of their death occur at this time.... Bernard Hughes and Michael Botts.



Special Collection TODAY for Justice & Peace

Parish Collections

25th December	Offertory	£1,621.25
1st January	Offertory	£548.09

REGULAR MEETINGS

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Meet every 2 weeks in Church hall at 10.30am before Sunday mass. Next meetings: January 2017

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA: Meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in St. Mungo's Church Hall Alloa.

Please note there will be no newsletter next week. Next issue will be on 22nd January 2017

PARISH DIARY For next 2 weeks

Saturday 7th January	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion, St. Bernadette's 5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette's	Epiphany of the Lord
Sunday 8th January	Special Collection for Justice & Peace	
Mon 9th January	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion.	
Tues 10th Jan	NO SERVICES	
Wednesday 11th January	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion.	
Thurs 12th Jan	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion.	
Friday 13th Jan.	NO SERVICES	
Saturday 14th January	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion, St. Bernadette's 5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette's	Baptism of the Lord
Sunday 15th January	11.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette's	
Monday 16th January	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion.	
Tues 17th Jan	NO SERVICES	
Wed 18th Jan	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion.	
Thurs 19th Jan	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion.	
Fri 20th Jan	NO SERVICES	
Saturday 21st January	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion, St. Bernadette's 5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette's	Second Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday 22nd January	11.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette's	

During Fr. Mike's absence Canon John will be on call for emergency sick calls and funerals (01259 212486²¹²⁴⁸⁶). All other parish business is dealt by those responsible or by Peter (chairperson of PPC) or Ronnie (vice chair). Anything to do with Education in January will be dealt by Mons Mc'Caffery.

Thanks... to all those who helped in any way to make Advent and Christmas genuine expressions of our faith. There are too many involved to mention individually! Often people only enter the church round about Christmas. Therefore it is important they feel welcomed. As they look around and observe peoples' welcome, atmosphere and decoration in the church, the way information is easily available they should feel this is GOOD NEWS.

It is God's calling card through us... If by our community effort we have brought one more person closer to God then it was all worthwhile.

Fr. Mike.

Justice and Peace Sunday - Feast of the Epiphany

The Scottish Catholic Justice & Peace Commission was formed in 1979. It is the Scottish Commission of the Pontifical Council *Justitia et Pax*. From the outset, the Commission combined its function as the Bishops' advisory body on issues of social justice, international peace and human rights with the responsibility for networking existing newly formed local parish groups. This dual direction has continued ever since and gives the Commission a certain balance. Throughout its history, policy has been formulated at all levels under the supervision of the Bishops' conference.

The constituency of Justice and Peace is over a thousand people out of an active Catholic population in Scotland of about 225,000.

Each of Scotland's eight dioceses is entitled to send an official representative to the National Commission. Also represented are the religious, missionary and secular clergy; youth and ecumenical representatives; and SCIAF - the Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund, our sister agency. Along with the Bishop President and Chair and Vice-Chair these constitute the voting strength of the Commission.

This Commission meets quarterly.

A Standing Committee which includes President, Chair, vice-Chair, may convene for urgent decisions.

For more information on the work of Justice & Peace Scotland please visit their website.

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



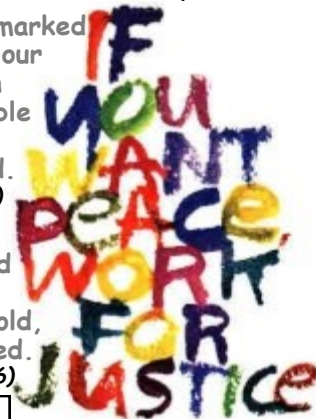
Feast of the Epiphany - 08 January 2017 - (Justice and Peace Sunday)

In the face of the present-day situation of the world, marked as it is by the grave sin of injustice, we recognise both our responsibility and our inability to overcome it by our own strength. Such a situation urges us to listen with a humble and open heart to the word of God, as he shows us new paths towards action in the cause of justice in the world.

(Justice in the World 29)

The activity of families in social life is rarely and insufficiently recognised by state institutions. Nor should we forget the growing number of persons who are often abandoned by their families and by the community: the old, orphans, the sick and all kinds of people who are rejected.

(Justice in the World 26)



A Catholic Social Teaching message from Pope Paul VI: "If you want Peace, work for Justice."