

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS
ANNUAL SALE**

in St. John Vianney's Church Hall
Sun 21st November after 9.30am Mass.
Tickets 50p now on sale.
Tea/Coffee & usual stalls.



School Mobile Phone Appeal

St. Bernadette's P.S. is taking part in Childline/Promethean appeal collecting old mobile phones to raise funds for Childline and help the school. To donate drop off your old mobile phone at the school. **Please help us. See notice at back of church for more details.**

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA

St. Andrew's Night,
Entertainment by the Jack Delaney band.
Friday 26th November 2010,
7.30 to 11.00pm.
in St. Mungo's Church Hall Alloa,
Tickets £7.50 (includes stovies)
Tickets are available at the back of the church today

Senior Citizen Night
with the "Dolly Mixtures"
Friday 3rd December 7.00pm for 7.30 start.
in St. Mungo's Church Hall Alloa,
This is a free entertainment night and places limited, available for the 4 parishes. There is a list at the back of the church, If you are interested please put your name down today

URGENT! DISCLOSURE: Only 3 people have handed in photocopies of their disclosure. Please hand in copies IMMEDIATELY. Without this you cannot really function in many activities in the church (Children's Liturgy, Catechetics, SVDP, Eucharist Minister if you take communion to the sick etc.)

DISCLOSURE TRAINING AND REQUESTS

Due to the busy Agenda in the Diocese and wanting to avoid the week before Christmas Mr. Malcolm Veal, the Diocesan Chancellor, has requested we have Disclosure Training and applications for disclosure this Wednesday, 17th Nov at 6.30 pm at St. Bernadette's. All those who are applying for a new disclosure please make the effort to come; you will need as many documents as possible but at least the following: National Insurance Number, A photo ID (passport or Driving license, bus pass), 1 utility bill showing your address. These will only be examined in your presence and handed back on the day. Please confirm with Fr. Mike if you will be present.

SVDP AND CHRISTMAS

When we refer to the symbol of a 3 or 4 legged stool being a symbol for the parish one of its legs to support it is SERVICE and the SVDP is one of our main ways of offering a Christian service to the wider community. Traditionally the SVDP provide food parcels to help some families have a slightly better Christmas. STARTING NEXT SUNDAY at St. Bernadette's and for the next few Sundays, we will have 2 boxes in the church, one at the back of the church for the grown-ups and one in front of the altar for the children. Please bring non perishable food products (tins). We ask adults to leave them at the back of the church as they come in. However, we invite adults to explain to children the importance of sharing with others and that, even in our parish there exist needy people. During the offertory collection please encourage the children to leave their places and bring their cans and place them in the box in front of the altar. It may be a little noisy but I am sure most will agree it is a good way to help the children prepare for a Christian Christmas.

St. Bernadette's school is also joining in the project and at the weekly Thursday school masses in Advent the class will bring their offering.



Today: Retiral Collection for the Mensal Fund. The Mensal collection is an annual collection to help pay the day to day expenses and running costs of the bishop. This will be a special collection as people leave the church (retiral collection)



Sunday Mass Times

9.30 am, St. John Vianney's
Alva
11.30 am, St. Bernadette's
Tullibody
6.15 pm, St. John Vianney's
Alva

**Newsletter for the Parishes of
St. John Vianney's &
St. Bernadette's**

14 November 2010, 33rd Sunday of Year C
Diocese of Dunkeld
Scottish Charity No. SC001810

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Sister Nora Carr U.J. & Sr. Margaret Maher U.J
Parish Sisters - Ursulines of Jesus
St. John Vianney's
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Joint Website www.catholic-church.org/stjohnvianneys **or Google us !!!**

Welcome

If you are a visitor to our Parish or have just moved into the area, then please feel very welcome. Introduce yourself to the Parish Priest or welcomers at the back of the church. **Remember there are no strangers here just new friends you just haven't yet met.**

**Parish Finance
2010 Collections
7th November**



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| St. John Vianney's | £358.56 |
| Papal Visit Collection | £323.59 |
| St. Bernadette's | £405.91 |
| Papal Visit Collection | £184.49 |



Please Remember in Your Prayers those who are sick....

Rev. Deacon Michael Cafferty,
Jean McCann, Josie Nicholl, Hugh Mangan,
Mary Wilkie, Veronica Clarke, Lawrence Allan,
Vera Kasciewicz, Mary Dryland, Jackie Smith,
Margaret Hamilton, Robert McInnes,
Mary Elliot, Mave Segrave, Mary McGeehan
and Brendan Connelly

Remember those who have recently died...

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

**Special Retiral Collection
today for Mensal Fund.**
← See note opposite.

Weekly Diary and Forthcoming Events

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| Sunday 14th November | Masses as normal. Remembrance Sunday 12.30pm - Baptism, St. Bernadette's |
| Mon 15th November | 9.30am - Mass, St John Vianney's. 7.00pm F&M meeting |
| Tues 16th November | No Masses in Parish. 12.30 Deanery Meeting 7.00pm - St. Modan's High School Memorial Mass |
| Wed 17th November | 9.30 am - Mass St. Bernadette's 7.30pm Thanksgiving mass for Lourdes pilgrims, St Mungo's Alloa |
| Thurs 18th November | 9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. |
| Friday 19th November | 9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's |
| Sat 20th November | 9.30am - Mass + Confessions, St. Bernadette's. |
| Sunday 21st November | Masses as normal |

LONGER TERM DIARY

- Wed 24th Nov** 7.00pm, Parents School Council
- Sun 28th Nov** 1st Sunday of Advent
- 30th Nov & 1st Dec** Priests' Council Pitlochry
- Wed 1st Dec** 10.30am PFC, 7pm St. Modan's school choir, in St. Mungo's Alloa
- Thursday 2nd Dec** 9.30am, School Mass P6+7
7pm PPC Meeting in St. John Vianney's church hall
- Mon 6th Dec** 7.00pm, Fabric & Maint. Committee.
- Tuesday 7th Dec** First Confessions, St Bernadette's
- Wed 8th Dec** Thanksgiving Mass and refreshments for parish workers and volunteers.
- Thurs 9th Dec** 9.30am, School Mass P5+6. School Winter fete
- Mon 13th Dec** 6 pm Christmas celebration, Catechetics, St. John Vianney's
- Thurs 16th Dec** 9.30am, School Mass P1-4.
- Sat 18th Dec** 9.30am Mass and Anointing of the sick St. Bernadette's
- Mon 20th Dec** 9.30am Mass and Anointing of the sick St. John Vianney's
7pm Penitential service, St. John Vianney's
- Wed 22nd Dec** 7pm Christmas Blues Mass, St. Bernadette's
- Thurs 23rd Dec** 9.30pm End of term + Christmas school mass, St. Bernadette's
7pm Penitential service, St. Bernadette's

**St. Bernadette's School Parent Council Bingo Tea in school hall. Tues 16th Nov 7.00pm
Adults £1 Kids/ Concessions 50p. Bring your own cup.**

REGULAR MEETINGS

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Meet at St. John Vianney's, Alva after the Sunday 9.30 morning mass and at St. Bernadette's, Tullibody at 10.30am before Sunday mass. **U.C.M.:** Meets at 7.00pm every Wednesday evening in St. John Vianney's, Alva. **KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA:** Meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 8.00pm in the Parish Hall at St. Mungo's, Alloa.

TODAY IS REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY Today is a day set apart to remember originally all those who were killed in the first two World Wars but on this day we remember all those who have died in all conflicts of war. Originally this day remembers that at the eleventh hour, on the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918 World War One ended.

In St. Bernadette's a wreath has been placed at the outdoor cross and in both churches as Sunday mass begins, a wreath will be placed before the altar.

Prayer for Remembrance Sunday

Loving God

We remember in your presence all those who have died in war

And those who still live with the pain of losing someone they love.

We remember people who, today, live in fear of their lives

And those who fear the knock on the door or the telephone call that heralds bad news.

We remember politicians and others who hold positions of power and influence

And whose decisions can lead to other people's life or death.

And we commit ourselves not only to pray, but to seek and make peace

In our relationships, in our communities, and in our world.

Lord hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us. AMEN

St. Margaret of Scotland, 16th November;

Margaret is a saint, with connections to Hungary, England, and Scotland.

Margaret's father Edward was the Saxon heir to England when the Danes attacked.

Hungary was very Christian and welcomed royal exiles so they fled to Hungary. In Scotland, as readers of Shakespeare's Macbeth will know there was Malcolm who, when a child, his father king Duncan of Scotland was assassinated by Macbeth. In 1054 Duncan became king of Scotland. Margaret's family arrived in Scotland in 1070. Margaret planned to become a nun but Malcolm courted her and she being aware of how much good she could do as queen agreed to marry Malcolm, she was 24 and Malcolm was 40. She immediately built the church of the Holy Trinity in Dunfermline where they were married.

They ruled for 23 years and Margaret had enormous influence over Malcolm. As a mother she had 8 children. As queen she had a great influence on the social and religious changes in Scotland. Perhaps her great loyalty to Rome changed many of the Celtic religious practises for she encouraged the Scottish clergy to follow more closely the practises of Rome insisting on councils, some of the more rigorous religious practises such as fasting and Easter Communion and the Roman Rites. However, she was a well known supporter of Iona and the Celtic shrines. She was renowned for believing that although rich, she was just a steward of her riches and she and Malcolm became famous for their social justice practises. Because they facilitated the pilgrims from the south to visit St. Andrews the point of crossing the Forth on their ships was called North and South Queensferry.



Monday 15th November a date to remember.

The day Brazil won its Independence and declared itself a Republic. 33 years ago at 6am 2 Mill Hill Missionaries arrived on a flight from Rome. Carrying heavy rucksacks with all their worldly belongings, official documents in hand and not a word of Portuguese between them they arrived at the International Airport in Rio to find it - EMPTY ! It was a national holiday, few were working and nobody was there to greet them. They waited 12 hrs in the silent corridors of the modern airport with not a Real between them to buy water and the military police becoming more edgy as they did not leave the airport. The Carmelites who were meant to welcome and meet them had forgotten about them - not surprisingly they had waited 19 months for the permanent visas to be granted ! And so the mission began!!!

