

LOURDES/YOUTH PROJECT 100 CLUB

2ND OF THE NEW DRAWS ON THE LAST SUNDAY OF AUGUST (28TH)
FIRST PRIZE EVERY MONTH

£100

SECOND PRIZE EVERY MONTH £25

ASK NOW FOR YOUR NUMBERS

MORE INFORMATION IN THE NEWSLETTER DURING MONTH OF JULY OR ASK!
ALL PROFITS TO THE LOURDES/YOUTH PROGRAM

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The winners of our 1st draw held last Sunday.
1st Prize-£100 cheque - No.292 - Lefitia McGregor
2nd Prize-£25 cheque - No.208 - D Morgan
3rd Prize-Drinks Hamper - No.335 - Margaret Skelton

TIME FOR A REST?

An old parish priest used to joke that he never went to church in the month of August when he was absent from parish duties. He said it would be like going on a "clergyman's holiday"! It's an old saying that you can't ever have a holiday from God. But in this month of August, when people are travelling all over the globe in search of sun, sand, sea or serenity, spare a thought for the little child who signed off her night prayers with the curious statement: "So goodbye, God, because we're off to Tenerife for two weeks."



KEEP AN EYE OUT

July and August are an unusual months. The general routine is broken as people go off for a week or two on holiday and the normal pattern of life on our streets is disrupted. They are full of children who are off school and people who are normally at work but are staying at home for a break.

"Who is my neighbour?" a man once asked Jesus. Well, keep an eye out for your neighbour this month, especially for the elderly and sick who could slip through the net of strangeness. Don't be afraid to knock on someone's door to check if they are OK if you haven't seen them for a few days and you normally would have done. And if someone knocks on your door then don't feel put out; just be glad that they're being neighbourly and they care!



Newsletter for the Parishes of

St. Bernadette's & St. John Vianney's

Diocese of Dunkeld (Scottish Charity No. SC001810)

7th August 2011, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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 just haven't yet met.*

Parish Finance Collections



St. Bernadette's 31st July 2011	£383.32
St. John Vianney's 31st July 2011	£370.20



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

Jean McCann, Dan Tierney, Josie Nicholl, Hugh Mangan, Lawrence Allan, Mary Wilkie, Vera Kasciewicz, Mary Dryland, Jackie Smith, Mary McGeehan, Mary Elliot, Jackie Davies, Hilda Borkowski, Betty Whitton, Sandy Taylor, Alec Paterson, Sarah Lownie, Christie Scott, Jean Quinn, Brendan Murphy, Violet Lindsey, Alma White, Moira Roy, Veronica Day, Catherine Miller, Michael Ferguson and all those in the various nursing homes.

Remember those who have recently died

Maggie McDaid, and Sam Cairns in Canada previously a parishioner at St. Bernadette's.

and those whose anniversaries of their death occur at this time..... Paddy Byrne and John Wright.

*On holiday?
You've found us!
Welcome, come and
join us in prayer
and thanksgiving.*

Websites: www.catholic-church.org/stbernadettes

& www.catholic-church.org/stjohnvianneys or Google us !!!

THIS WEEKS DIARY AND MASS TIMES

Sunday Morning Masses :
St. John Vianney's, 9.30am
& St. Bernadette's, 11.30am

Sunday Evening Mass :
St. John Vianney's, 6.15pm

Sunday 7th August	Mass times as normal Special collection for Mensal Fund
Monday 8th August	9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's. 7.00pm - Fabric & Maintenance meeting in parish house
Tuesday 9th August	No Mass in parish
Wed 10th August	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's 10.30am - Parish Financial Committee 7.00pm - St John Vianney's Centenary Working Group
Thursday 11th August	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. Kids summer mass. 7.00pm - Parish Pastoral Council, St. John Vianney's Hall
Friday 12th August	9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's.
Saturday 13th August	9.30am - Mass & Confessions, St. Bernadette's.
Sunday 14th August	Mass times as normal.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

31st Aug	Parish Financial Committee
31st Aug	New revised English Mass course, St. Bernadette's
1st Sept	New revised English Mass course, St. John Vianney's
4th Sept	National Pilgrimage to Carfin - Bus organised by St. Mungo's, Alloa.

REGULAR MEETINGS

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Meet weekly in St. Bernadette's, at 10.30am before Sunday mass and at St. John Vianney's, on the last Sunday of each month after the Sunday 9.30 morning mass.

U.C.M.: Meets every Wednesday at 2.00pm in St. John Vianney's, Alva.

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA: Meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 8.00pm in the Parish Hall at St. Mungo's Alloa.

Pastoral letter from Bishop Vincent Logan of Dunkeld President of the commission for the permanent diaconate.

7th August, 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This year, 2011, marks the 25th anniversary of the restoration of the Permanent Diaconate in Scotland. In 1986, three men were ordained as permanent deacons. There are now some 60 ordained deacons ministering throughout the country. They are working in diverse ways to implement the teaching of the Church and to witness to her message by their service in society and by their liturgical function in collaboration with their bishops and priests.

The roots of the permanent Diaconate are found in the Acts of the Apostles with the appointment of seven men, among them St. Stephen who as to be the first martyr "to look after the widows and orphans" of the early Christian community.

ROLE OF THE DEACON

The deacon, by his formation and vocation, can witness to Gospel values at home, in the work place, in the community and in the Church itself. The vocation of the Deacon, as an ordained minister of the Church, is lived out in a variety of ways, witnessing to the sacredness of life and the dignity of the human person; to the essential quality of all people and the need to respect human rights; to the dignity of work and the need for the economy to meet the needs of all, especially the poorest and weakest; and to accept the challenge to be responsible stewards of creation, building peace and solidarity among all the peoples of the earth.

COULD YOU BE A DEACON?

Do you feel you would like to serve as a deacon? If you are a man over 30 years of age, and want to respond to this challenge, why not consider a vocation to the permanent Diaconate? The formation and education now available to candidates for the Diaconate in Scotland can equip you with a good understanding of the Church's teaching and offer you a range of experiences to prepare you for a life of service, while respecting your family and work commitments.

MINISTRY OF THE DEACON

Once ordained you might find yourself called to chaplaincy in schools, hospitals or prisons; to working directly with the poor and marginalized; or to making the Church's teaching and commitment to social justice more widely understood among Catholics and others.

Or, if this is not your calling, perhaps you know a man who would be suitable? Perhaps he already works with the poor, the marginalised and the voiceless? Perhaps he is committed to his faith, to the Church, but simply hasn't considered becoming more involved? Why not suggest to him an enquiry about the Permanent Diaconate? As Scripture says, "The harvest is abundant, but the labourers are few."

Please be in touch with your Diocesan bishop.

Wishing you every blessing,

Yours sincerely in Christ... *Bishop Vincent Logan*