

**St. John Vianney's, Coffee Mornings .....Picture Gallery  
Sundays 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> November 10.30 to 12.00**

A history of the parish was assembled by way of photographs provided by parishioners for the Centenary Celebration on 4th August. Not everyone had the chance to view the gallery so it is being re-assembled and will be on display in the church hall from 10<sup>th</sup> November 2013. We hope to make this a semi-permanent display that will be updated regularly with memories of family and church events, starting with new pictures of the centenary mass and reception.

Refreshments including home baking will be provided on the above dates to kick off what we hope will be regular after morning mass, coffee get-togethers in the New Year. There will be a **cake and bake stall** with homemade goodies for sale. This is intended to offset the cost of the gallery and coffee mornings. Donations on either Sunday will be gratefully received on the mornings before 9.30am mass. Please label any containers.

 Please come to view the gallery, enjoy a morning tea or coffee with a scone or cake, make a donation or buy some baking to take home. 

**SVDP FOOD BOXES**

Traditionally the SVDP at St. Bernadette's collect foodstuffs at Christmas.

This year parishioners are invited to bring **non-perishable** goods **each Sunday in November** and deposit them in the box at the back of the church, the SVDP will then make up parcels to be given as a help to the most needy in our parish over the Christmas period.

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.



**Mass of Thanksgiving**

We have many people who give up their precious time and offer their gifts and talents to serve the community throughout the year. Some are known, others work away quietly in the background to ensure that the parishes function. They are all much appreciated.

For the last two or three years we have tried to show our appreciation as a parish with a Mass of Thanksgiving followed by a simple reception. To keep this away from the many Christmas commitments that many people have this year's Mass of Thanksgiving will be on Thursday 28th November at 7pm in St. John Vianney's.

All those who do anything at all no matter how small to help in the parishes are invited and encouraged to come along. The mass is open to all parishioners and all are invited to attend the reception afterwards in the hall. Please inform Fr. Mike if you intend to be present so we can have an idea of numbers for catering .

**St. Modan's High School PTA Raffle.**

Pupils from St. Modan's High School will be selling raffle tickets at all masses next weekend, 10<sup>th</sup> November. Tickets cost a £1 each and there will be various prizes. The draw will take place at the Christmas Concert at the school on the 10<sup>th</sup> December. The PTA thank you in advance and hope you will support the draw."

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

*Diocese of Dunkeld (Scottish Charity No. SC001810)*



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**3rd November 2013  
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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& [www.catholic-church.org/stjohnvianneys](http://www.catholic-church.org/stjohnvianneys) or Google us !!!

*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.**



**Please remember in your prayers those who are sick....** Jean McCann, Dan Tierney, Jean Quinn, Mary Dryland, Christie Scott, Michae Ferguson, Mary McGeehan, Vera Kasciewicz, Brendan Murphy, Lawrence Allan, Sarah Lownie, Mary Elliot, Liz Buchan, Veronica Day, Georgina Anderson, Margaret Mc'Intyre, Alma White, Bridget Grey, Catherine Miller, Sandy Taylor, Owen Cattigan, Elizabeth Docherty, Veronica Clarke, Gerard Clarke, Peter James Clarke, Ellen Mc'Parland, Thomas Benie, Paul Kochanek, Lorraine McClusky, Mary McCartney, Patrick Docherty, Janet Martin and all those in the various nursing homes.

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

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

Charles Byrne, John Mongan, Giovanna Vingenzo and all those named on the November Lists on our altars.

**REGULAR MEETINGS**

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

**KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA:** Meet at 8.00pm on the first Wednesday of the month in the Hall at St. Mungo's, Alloa.

**Parish Collections**

<b>St. Bernadette's 27th October</b>	<b>£522.29</b>
<b>St. John Vianney's 27th October</b>	<b>£491.05</b>

**NOVEMBER, MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS:** Your intentions for the Holy Souls will be included at all masses in both St. John Vianney's and St. Bernadette's, except on a day that a special intention has already been requested.

## THIS WEEKS DIARY

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

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

<b>Sunday 3rd November</b>	<b>Masses times as Normal - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Monday 4th November</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass, St John Vianney's 7.00pm - Fabric &amp; Maintenance, Parish House</b>
<b>Tuesday 5th November</b>	<b>No services in parishes. 10.00am - Mass, Nazareth House. 2.00pm - Meeting, The Redemptorists, Perth</b>
<b>Wednesday 6th November</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 10.15am - Parish Financial Council</b>
<b>Thursday 7th November</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass, St Bernadette's. Evening for parents at St. Bernadette's School</b>
<b>Friday 8th November</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass, St John Vianney's</b>
<b>Saturday 9th November</b>	<b>9.30am - Mass &amp; Confessions, St Bernadette's. 11.00am - Tullibody War Memorial</b>
<b>Sunday 10th November</b>	<b>Mass times as Normal - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.</b>

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

10th Nov	 <b>Remembrance Sunday</b>
Sunday 10th Nov	Mary's Meals Day, Royal Concert Hall Glasgow. Go to <a href="http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/marys-meals-day/">http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/marys-meals-day/</a> for more information.
17th to 24th Nov	Prisoners week, more information at <a href="http://www.prisonersweekscotland.org.uk/">http://www.prisonersweekscotland.org.uk/</a>
28th Nov	7pm - Thanksgiving mass and reception, St. John Vianney's.

### YEAR OF FAITH

The Bishops Conference has communicated that the official closing of the Year of Faith in Scotland will be on the 3rd of November 2013 at the 11.30am mass in St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. Archbishop Cushey will preside and preach addressing especially the youth. We will remember this and close the Year of Faith in all our masses today.



**During this Year of Faith what should be constantly in our minds is:**

***What am I doing that is Special this year to  
strengthen my faith, that helps me love others?***

### LOURDES YOUTH PROJECT 100 CLUB PRIZE WINNERS

1st, No. 304 Mrs Kane. 2nd, No. 228 Cathy Harvey.  
Next draw on Sunday 24th November after 9.30am Mass at St. John Vianney's

### POPE FRANCIS: ALL WELCOME

"May the church be the place of God's mercy and love, where everyone can feel themselves welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live according to the good life of the Gospel. And in order to make others feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged, the church must have open doors so that all might enter. And we must go out of those doors and proclaim the Gospel." - *Pope Francis - June 12, 2013*

To be the people of God, "first of all means that God doesn't belong to any particular people, because he is the one who calls us ... and this invitation is addressed to all, without distinction, because God's mercy 'wills everyone to be saved.' Jesus doesn't tell the apostles and us to form an exclusive group of elite members. Jesus says: 'Go and make disciples of all nations.'"

- *Pope Francis continuing a series of meditations on the church - June 12 2013*

### POPE FRANCIS: GOD FORGIVES

The church is the great family of children of God. Certainly it has human aspects from the members who comprise it, pastors and faithful. They have defects, imperfections, sins. Even the pope has them — and he has many — but what is beautiful is that when we become aware that we are sinners, we find the mercy of God. God always forgives. Don't forget this. God always forgives." - *Pope Francis - May 29, 2013*

### Conforti Institute

Those who participated with the Conforti Institute about Sectarianism should have received an email from them. Those without email Fr. Mike has a letter for you. There is an opportunity to meet in Perth(30th Nov) or Edinburgh(16thNov) to discuss the results and give some feedback. They are offering a weekend course on Catholic Social Teaching and dealing with Sectarianism. This is paid for and we have been offered two places. Those interested see Fr. Mike, he has a copy of the proposed programme.

### CHILD'S CLOTHES FOR BRAZIL & MONEY JARS

Fr. Mike is still collecting children's clothes for Brazil. We are looking for good used clothes for children 5 and 6 years of age. In the past years we have sent lot's of clothes which are still being worn and handed on, one generation to the next. Please send our "summer" ware and not "woollies" as it is a tropical country.



Please take a Brazil Jar (plenty available) to collect your loose change to help various projects in Brazil supported by Fr. Mike. All monies will go directly to families in need and to small projects that receive no other external funding. In the past our funds have helped support a Women's group in their formation, a youth group, a group fighting for ecology rights in the jungle, we've helped families who had lost their houses or goods in the avalanches and floods and supported a Jujitsu school program to get the children off the streets.

Jars available at the back of the church, when you fill yours just take another one. Please hand in jars by the 16th December to give Fr. Mike time to exchange the funds into dollars.

