

NEW EXTERIOR CROSS AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

We all know that the building on the corner of Baingle Brae is a church but for many passing on the Stirling-Alloa Road there is no exterior sign of this. In fact until 5 yrs ago there was no visible cross, then we managed to rescue the old cross from the church in Kincardine which was lying in the cellars of St. Mungo's. It is small and is at the side of the main entrance and therefore only visible for those looking out for it coming from Alloa. Since we had to cut down the trees that were rotting we have wanted to put up a cross on the exterior wall that could be seen from the road.

The new cross is made of solid oak. The cross was made and put in place by workers of Murdoch-Smith. Mike Mulraney looked after all the costs involved and wanted to do so in memory of his deceased mum and dad Anne and Frank. We remember them in our mass. Our grateful thanks to Mike. It is not the first time he has helped us out.

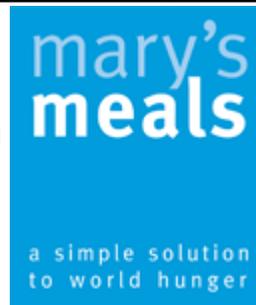


MARY'S MEALS

It's almost that time of year again! On Saturday 27th September we will be collecting old clothes etc. for pick up on Sunday morning (28th). Mary's Meals volunteers will be at masses that day to appeal to us and sell raffle tickets for the annual prize draw.

You could start collecting old clothes etc at home now. **PLEASE NOTE We are unable to store clothes at the halls for any longer than the 1 night on 27th September.**

We will be looking for volunteers to man the halls at both churches on Saturday 27th September for the collections. More information will be in the newsletter leading up to the date. More information on Mary's Meals at : <http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/>



SHARING OF GIFTS

We all have gifts given to us by God and many share them with the community in diverse ways all the time. At St. John Vianney's we are looking for a **joiner** to install some extra locks. We also could do with a **plumber**.

We are especially looking for at least 2 new Eucharistic Ministers who live in the Tilli-coutry area or are willing to go there to take communion to the sick. This really is urgent. If you think you may have this gift please talk to Fr. Mike.

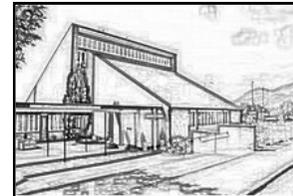
On holiday? You've found us.....

Welcome, come and join us in prayer and thanksgiving... We as a Christian community welcome people on holiday. Please feel at home and free to ask any questions about anything, services, mass times, events and even where are the toilets? Contact phone numbers and website details are on the front page of this newsletter.



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

Diocese of Dunkeld (Scottish Charity No. SC001810)



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20th July 2014

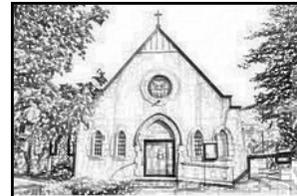
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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 haven't yet met.



Please remember in your prayers those who are sick.....

Dan Tierney, Jean Quinn, Mary Dryland, Christie Scott, Michael Ferguson, Mary McGeehan, Vera Kasciewicz, Brendan Murphy, Georgina Anderson, Lawrence Allan, Sarah Lownie, Mary Elliot, Liz Buchan, Veronica Day, Margaret McIntyre, Bridget Grey, Catherine Miller, Sandy Taylor, Alma White, Ellen McParland, Owen Cattigan, Thomas Benie, Elizabeth Docherty, Veronica Clarke, Gerard Clarke, Peter James Clarke, Janet Martin, Paul Kochanek, Lorraine McClusky, Mary McCartney, Peter Doyle, Sarah-Jane Connelly, Tom Mylchreest, Petra Dijk, Bill Dunsmore, Mona Pyat, Anne McNiven, Greg Anderson, Theresa Flemming 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.....

Paddy Byrne, Hutchie Caine, Elizabeth Lynch, Stephen & Anne Philliben, and Mary Finn.

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 13th July 2014

Parish	Amount
St. Bernadette's	£432.95
St. John Vianney's	£457.00

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**

Sunday 20th July	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Mass times as Normal all celebrated by Bishop Stephen. At 11.30 mass at St. Bernadette's Bishop Stephen will bless the new exterior cross. 1.00pm - Buffet/ snack lunch with groups and committees, PPC etc with Bishop Stephen in St. John Vianney's hall.
Monday 21st July	9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's 7.00pm - Exceptional Fabric & Maintenance meeting in parish house.
Tuesday 22nd July	No services in parish. 10.00am - Mass, Nazareth House.
Wednesday 23rd July	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's.
Thursday 24th July	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's
Friday 25th July	9.30am - Mass & Anointing of Sick, St. John Vianney's - Feast of St. James
Saturday 26th July	9.30am - Mass & Confessions, St. Bernadette's. Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne
Sunday 27th July	Mass times as Normal + 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

20th July	Bishop Stephen will celebrate all masses in the parish.
3rd August	Special collection for Mensal Fund
28th August	7pm Cathedral, Dundee. Ordination to the permanent Diaconate of Leonard Moir.
9th Sept	7.15pm - Parish Pastoral Council meeting in St. John Vianney's hall.
27+28th Sept	Mary's Meals weekend

MARIAPOLIS 2014

This year the **FOCOLARE MOVEMENT** will be holding its annual summer gathering at Strathallan School, Perth from 11 August to 16th August. The theme is "Love one another as I have loved you". The programme consists of talks, moments of reflection, outings and workshops. There is a crèche and activities for children and young people. For day/session visitors the suggested donation is £9 or £20 per family but does not include meals. Posters with programme and information on the notice boards.

Saints Joachim and Anne

At one time, 26th July was the feast of St. Anne only, but with the new calendar the two feasts of the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary have been joined and are celebrated on this day.

According to writings from about the year 170, Joachim was a prominent and respected man who had no children, and he and his wife, Anne, looked on this as a punishment from God. In answer to their prayers, Mary was born and was dedicated to God at a very early age. From these early Christian writings have come several of the feast days of Mary and Anne particularly the Immaculate Conception, the Nativity of Mary, and her Assumption into Heaven. Very early also came feast days in honour of Saints Joachim and Anne, in the Middle Ages many churches and chapels were dedicated to St. Anne.

The couple early became models of Christian marriage, and their meeting at the Golden Gate in Jerusalem has been a favourite subject of Christian artists. Anne is often shown in paintings with Jesus and Mary and is considered a subject that attracts attention, since Anne is the grandmother of Jesus. Her two great shrines - that of Ste. Anne d'Auray in Brittany, France, and that of Ste. Anne de Beaupre near Quebec in Canada - are very popular. We know little else about the lives of Mary's parents, but considering the person of Mary, they must have been two very remarkable people to have been given such a daughter and to have played so important a part in the work of the Redemption. There is a church of St. Anne in Jerusalem and it is believed to be built on the site of the home of SS. Joachim and Anne, when they lived.

On Saturday 26th July we keep the feast day of Saints Anne and Joachim. To mark their day, at the morning mass we will have a Blessing for Grandparents. Grandparents if you can, please bring your grandchildren to this mass. Grandchildren, please come to this mass and bring your grandparents as well!

Going into hospital?



If you are admitted to any hospital it is important to notify the chaplain at the hospital that you have been admitted. The hospital staff will not do this automatically, you must insist that the chaplain is informed. We have produced a pro-forma to be completed by the patient and handed to staff in hospital to have this included in your patient notes so they will inform the chaplain.

A small number of cards are available at the back of the church and the pro-forma can be downloaded at any time from the parish website in :

- ⇒ **Current Notices tab**
- ⇒ **dropdown menu**
- ⇒ **Other info/groups section**
- ⇒ **Religious declaration pro-forma**

