

WORLD CUP

As many enjoy and watch the World Cup we pray that this mega event does create friendship and brings joy to millions. However, it is important to be aware there is a possible other side.

Lessons have been learnt from past world cups and the Church in Brazil has made a tremendous effort to link FAITH and LIFE. The Brazilian Government too has created many mechanisms especially to combat and take to justice any attempt at human trafficking.

[From the National Catholic Reporter (NCR)] -

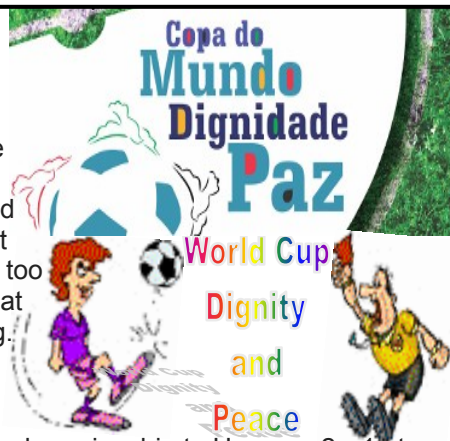
“For the first time since 1950 (when Brazil lost the championship to Uruguay 2 - 1 at the last minute) the World Cup soccer games will be played in Brazil for 30 days starting June 12. Brazil is the only 2014 contender that has won the World Cup five times, so enthusiasm here runs high. There have been years of preparation, building or remodeling stadiums and infrastructures in 12 cities — lots of money spent, unavailable for public health, education, public transportation, housing and social programs. Numerous public protests have occurred as a result.

For religious women and men throughout Brazil, the World Cup Games are seen as a “mega event” that will augment an already very serious violation against human dignity: human trafficking in its various forms. We know that this is highly organized crime, with national and international networks of procurers, transporters and sellers. But religious have been organizing, too.

A Brazilian network called A Cry for Life (Um Grito pela Vida), created in 2006 is now present in 22 states, uniting over 100 congregations of religious women here. The network is part of the international one, *Talitha kum*, headquartered in Rome.

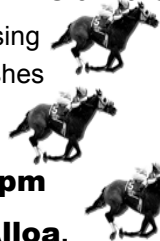
The efforts of this network of sisters are not limited to this 2014 World Cup. After the World Cup in South Africa in 2010, the network became aware that it needs to be better prepared for the surge of tourists and sex-trafficking that accompanies such events.

The Conference of Brazilian Bishops selected the theme for Lent 2014: Fraternity and Human Trafficking, bringing the question into every parish and every Catholic community, into religious and public schools and into homes through TV and radio. The theme was chosen years earlier in large part because of the pressure of thousands of signed petitions from around the country, organised by religious women and their base communities.” - (NCR)



RACE NIGHT - (For Lourdes Youth Project)

The Knights of St Columba are organising a race night to raise funds for our parishes Lourdes Youth Group Project.



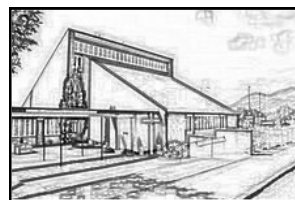
Races can be sponsored and horses bought any time from now until the race night. See posters at back of churches for details & prices etc.

**On Friday 27th June at 7.30pm
in St. Mungo's church hall Alloa.**

**Please support
this worthy cause!**

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

Diocese of Dunkeld (Scottish Charity No. SC001810)



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**15th June 2014
Trinity Sunday**

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Parish Websites

www.catholic-church.org/stbernadettes & www.catholic-church.org/stjohnvianneys

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 Mc'Intyre, Bridget Grey, Catherine Miller, Sandy Taylor, Alma White, Petra Dijk, Owen Cattigan, Thomas Benie, Elizabeth Docherty, Veronica Clarke, Gerard Clarke, Peter James Clarke, Janet Martin, Ellen Mc'Parland, Paul Kochanek, Lorraine McClusky, Mary McCartney, Peter Doyle, Sarah-Jane Connelly, Tom Mylchreest, Joe Horsburgh, Mona Pyat, Margaret Ward, Anne McNiven and all those in the various nursing homes.

Remember those who have recently died... Elizabeth Robertson and Dom Vital Wilderink, retired bishop of Fr Mike who lived in Brazilian mountains as a hermit. Died in a car crash.

and those whose anniversaries of their death occur at this time..... Hughie Docherty, Helen & Eddie Kennedy, Margaret Short, Julie Hadam and all deceased fathers.

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.

Altar Servers please check the SERVERS' ROTA and make any changes NOW if you are away on holiday..... It is your responsibility.

Parish Collections 8th June 2014

St. Bernadette's	£509.88
St. John Vianney's	£417.30

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 15th June	Mass times as Normal + Trinity Sunday
Monday 16th June	9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's
Tuesday 17th June	No services in parish. 10.00am to 4.30pm - Lawside, Dundee, Priests' Council.
Wednesday 18th June	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's.
Thursday 19th June	9.30am - Mass, Morning Office & Holy Communion. St. Bernadette's. 9.30am - Education Committee Meeting, Alloa 1.30pm - First Communion Practise
Friday 20th June	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion, St. John Vianney's 9.30 - Education Interviews, Alloa 1.30pm - First Communion Practise
Saturday 21st June	9.30am - Mass & Confessions, St. Bernadette's.
Sunday 22nd June	Mass times as Normal + Corpus Christi + First Holy Communions, St. Bernadette's 3.00pm - Corpus Christi Procession, Cathedral, Dundee.

**EXPECT CHURCH
TO BE FULL**

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

24th June	7pm - St. John The Baptist, Perth, silver jubilee of Fr. Tom Shields.
29th June	Special collection for Peter's Pence
20th July	Bishop Stephen will celebrate all masses in the parish.

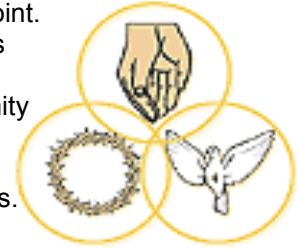
FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

Will be celebrated next Sunday in St. Bernadette's... So expect a full church. First Communions are taking place during a Sunday parish mass for the parish community to be given the opportunity to welcome and support our first Holy Communicants on this major step in their lives. We should be glad that many relatives and friends who may not be catholic or may be lapsed Catholics come also to this mass. It is our opportunity to extend to them a welcoming hand like Jesus would, make everyone feel at ease and contribute so that this may be a spiritual moment for them. **We can be Jesus to them.....**

PLEASE REMEMBER DURING FIRST COMMUNION MASS NEXT SUNDAY Those wishing to take photos during mass must have permission beforehand to do so and absolutely no flash photography. There will be plenty of time AFTER mass for photos in the church. We will have a photographer present.

TRINITY SUNDAY

The feasts of the church we normally celebrate are connected to "Events". Trinity Sunday is one of the few that celebrates a Christian doctrine. On Trinity Sunday we celebrate our God, one God but three persons. Once we've said this we've said it all. It's possible to delve into theological arguments about the precise role of each of the three persons, whether their activity overlaps and how it is exercised in salvation history. But this is to miss the point. Today's feast is ultimately about the grandeur of God, about his (or her) otherness. Anything we want to say about God we have to multiply by infinity and even then we are no closer to describing God. Our liturgy invites us simply to stand in awe. We worship God simply because he has shown that he loves us. Let us rejoice and be glad!



HAPPY FATHERS DAY !

God our Father,
In your wisdom and love you made all things.
Bless these men,
That they may be strengthened as Christian fathers.
Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
May honour them always
With a spirit of profound respect.
Grant this through Christ our Lord... *Amen*

**Thank you, friend Jesus,
for my father who loves me,
for my grandfather who cares for me,
and for God, your father and mine,
who made me and is always with me.
How lucky I am!** - Gaynell Bordes Cronin
From Friend Jesus: Prayers for Children

Any fool can be a Father, but it takes a real man to be a Daddy!
- *Fathers Day Quote by: Philip Whitmore Snr*

**By the time a man realizes that maybe his father was right,
he usually has a son who thinks he's wrong.**
- *Fathers Day Quote by: Charles Wadworth*

**Fathers, like mothers, are not born. Men grow into fathers
and fathering is a very important stage in their development.**
- *Fathers Day Quote by: David Gottesman*

A man never stands as tall as when he kneels to help a child.
- *Fathers Day Quote by: Knights of Pythagoras*



Evidence of the hardship faced by families across the country, published studies show that food charities provided more than 20 million meals last year to people in the UK who could not afford to feed themselves. The figure, from Oxfam, Church Action on Poverty and the Trussell Trust, represents a 54 percent increase on the previous year.

The level of child poverty in Britain is "a stain on our national conscience", leading charities have said as a Government adviser warns today that its reforms are failing to tackle the problem. While the economy may be improving and home-owners are benefiting from rising prices, a shocking report published by the nation's social mobility tsar predicts that Britain will have 3.5 million children living in poverty by 2020. - (Emily Dugan, Independent, 09/06/14)

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

