



**Coffee Morning St. John Vianney's
Sunday 3rd May 2015 10.30 - TODAY!**

Coffee morning, today after 9.30 mass; please make time after mass for a coffee, scone and a chat with your fellow parishioners. It is planned that this event will take place on the first Sunday of the month.

All future donations of baking are welcome for the cake stall.



29th April 2015

*Rt Rev. Joseph Toal STB KC*HS
Bishop of Motherwell*



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

EMERGENCY APPEAL BY SCIAF ON BEHALF OF NEPAL

As on other occasions when we see pictures of those suffering the consequences of devastating earthquakes we have been moved in recent days by the plight of the earthquake victims in Nepal, I and probably feel that we would like to do something to help. Our own Aid Agency, SCIAF, has been quick to respond and has sent £50,000 immediately to its sister agency Caritas Nepal and opened an on-line emergency appeal. There has been an excellent response to this appeal and hopefully this will continue.

I write to you - the faithful, the parishes, the schools, the organizations, indeed the whole Catholic community in Scotland - inviting you to support the SCIAF Appeal for Nepal. You may wish to make your own contribution through the website, or take up a collection or organise a fund-raising event. All your contributions will be much appreciated and will assist the victims through the Catholic Church's presence in Nepal.

On the SCIAF website you can also find Prayers of Intercession for those suffering in Nepal. You are encouraged to make use of them at Mass and in other prayer services. Our prayer is an important expression of our solidarity with those suffering and our plea to God for their relief.

This appeal comes close on the heels of the great support given to SCIAF during Lent, both through the Collection and the Wee Boxes. I thank you for your generosity and hope you manage to send in these Lenten contributions before 18th May so that the government's contribution is realised. I ask you to keep contributions to the Emergency Appeal for Nepal separate from the Lenten offerings as they are clearly for different purposes. The timing of disasters and the subsequent appeals for help are outwith human control so we respond as best we can when something happens even if it follows a time of generous giving as is the case this time. I hope therefore that you will support the Emergency Appeal with your usual generosity.

With my thankful prayers and very best wishes,

+ Joseph Toal Bishop President of SCIAF.

NEXT Sunday as you leave mass there will be bucket collection for emergency relief in Nepal..... We will send it directly to SCIAF.

'The world will never be the dwelling-place of peace, till peace has found a home in the heart of each and everyone, till everyone preserves in himself the order ordained by God to be preserved.'
<http://www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk/> - Pacem in Terris, 165

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

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

**3rd May 2015
5th Sunday of Easter**

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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, Lawrence Allan, Sarah Lownie, Veronica Day, Ursula Crichton, Peter Doyle, Sarah-Jane Connelly, Mary Elliot, Liz Buchan, Mary McGeehan, Thomas Benie, Brendan Murphy, Margaret McIntyre, Elizabeth Docherty, Bridget Grey, Owen Cattigan, Veronica Clarke, Gerard Clarke, Bill Dunsmore, Peter James Clarke, Paul Kochanek, Janet Martin, Lorraine McClusky, Sandy Taylor, Mary McCartney, Theresa Flemming, Mona Pyat, Petra Dijk, Anne McNiven, Alma White, Kathleen McNeil, Maureen Joyce, Dr. Michael Basquial, Tina Burgoyne, Nina Smith and all those in the various nursing homes.

Remember those who have recently died.... Jim Keenan

and those whose anniversaries of their death occur at this time.... Chris Murphy, Jeremiah Scott,, Ellen & Victor Varanka and Elizabeth Di Giovanni,

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.

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Parish Collections

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| St. Bernadette's 26th April | £578.15 |
| Mission Appeal | £354.40 |
| St. John Vianney's 26th April | £348.27 |
| Mission Appeal | £496.05 |

NEXT 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**

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| Sunday 3rd May | Mass times as Normal - 5th Sunday of Easter 3.00pm - St. John Vianney's, Adoration & Prayers before The Blessed Sacrament |
| Monday 4th May | 9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's. 7.00pm - Fabric & Maintenance Meeting in Parish House |
| Tuesday 5th May | NO SERVICES IN PARISH 10.00am - Mass, Nazareth House, Edinburgh 1.00pm - Kinross, Priests' annual lunch. |
| Wednesday 6th May | 9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 10.30am - Parish Financial Council 6.30pm - Parents School Council St. Bernadette's 7.00pm - ST MUNGO'S PARISHONERS MEETING ON COUNCIL'S PRO- POSALS ON POSSIBLE FUTURE FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN CLACKMANNANSHIRE. IN ST.MUNGO'S PARISH HALL, ALLOA. |
| Thursday 7th May | 9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's. 11.00am-5.00pm - PRIESTS' COUNCIL, DUNDEE 7.00pm - RCIA, St. Mungo's parish hall 7.00pm - St. Bernadette's school show. |
| Friday 8th May | 9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's 2.30 pm Education Meeting, Clacks Council 7.00pm Mass St. Bernadette's prayers for earthquake victims in Nepal. |
| Saturday 9th May | 9.30am - Mass and Confessions, St. Bernadette's |
| Sunday 10th May | Mass times as Normal - 6th Sunday of Easter 3.00pm - St. John Vianney's, Adoration & Prayers before The Blessed Sacrament |

**POLLING DAY
PLEASE VOTE!**

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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| 17th May | Communications Sunday Special Collection. |
| 31st May | Day for Life |
| 7th June | CORPUS CRISTII, FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS |
| 14th June | CONFIRMATIONS - ST. BERNADETTE'S. |
| 23rd June | PPC |
| 28th June | Peter's Pence Special Collection |
| 2nd July | SCIAF 50th anniversary Mass, Cathedral Dundee |
| 7th- 20th July | Youth away at Lourdes |
| 31July - 2 Aug | Catholic Youth Festival, Stirling University |

A CARING PARISH

Lent is over and our SCIAF WEE BOXES away for another year and as last weeks mission appeal shows our concern for others and desire to be a caring and sharing parish continues.

BRAZIL COINS. Please take a jar from the back of the church to collect your coins for Brazil. Fr. Mike will soon make a brief report on how monies were spent in the past 2 years. This year we are supporting a group of volunteer nurses who will begin work initiated by Fr. Mike which involves giving courses on alternate medicine and nutritional food in a poor neighbourhood in Brazil. A more detailed report on this project should arrive soon from Brazil.

CHILDREN'S CLOTHES We can send 2 cases of clothes out to Brazil in September and December. People have been very good in the past. Instead of throwing out children's clothes have handed them in for Fr. Mike to forward.

This year we are particularly looking for clothes for boys/girls ages about 2+ and girls clothes age 9+..... Please no woollies as it is a tropical country!

SVDP Please do not forget our SVDP boxes at the back of the church. The SVDP continue to do excellent work quietly helping those in need in our parishes.

CLACKMANNANSHIRE'S COUNCIL EDUCATION PROPOSALS.

As has been announced many times in this Newsletter Clackmannanshire has some radical proposals (only proposals just now) that may effect Catholic Education in the County. What has surprised us is the lack of participation in the informal meetings. At times it can give the impression that "our children have grown. What happens to Catholic Education is no longer important for us". In the Parish Council meeting last week the place of meeting was changed as we expected over 200 people from both our parishes. In fact we had 33 – 2 from St.John Vianney's. Hopefully when the formal consultation process begins in May people will take part.

For St.Mungo's parishioners who may be attending one of our parish masses this weekend please note Canon John has arranged a meeting on Wednesday at 7pm for St. Mungo's parishioners to listen and ask questions regarding the Council's Education proposals.

We call attention these are just proposals but a decision will be made based on the opinions expressed by all groups involved. Please participate!

LOOKING FOR CATHOLIC TEACHERS

Both our Catholic Primary Schools are looking for full time permanent teachers (3 in total). If you know of good teachers who are practising Catholics please try and encourage them to apply. They know where the jobs are advertised and how to apply. Obviously they all will need Church Approval

**Conference on future leadership in Catholic Education.
Please take notice of the posters on display at back of our churches.**

LOURDES YOUTH PROJECT 100 CLUB WINNERS
Drawn 26th April after 11.30am mass at St. Bernadette's.
1st Prize £100 No.19 Maureen Bryce - 2nd Prize £25 No 287 Mr& Mrs McConnachie
Winners please collect their cheques from Fr Mike?