



MARY'S MEALS

It's a long way off the weekend of 26th/27th September when we'll have our annual collection and fund raiser (annual raffle) for Mary's Meals. So you could start now, putting away old clothes etc to bring to our church halls on 26th September.

Mary's Meals provides a daily meal at school in some of the world's poorest communities, where hunger and poverty prevent children from gaining an education and is now feeding over **1million children daily at a school** in 12 countries across Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Caribbean.

Mary's Meals' programmes are focussed on providing a daily meal at school to help remove the barriers which prevent children accessing school and engaging in their education, working directly children but also at community and national levels.

The key changes our school feeding programmes seek to achieve are:

- 1.Reduced hunger for children living in poverty who attend school
- 2.Increased access to primary education for children living in poverty
- 3.Improved engagement in primary education of children living in poverty
- 4.Increased progression within primary education by children living in poverty
- 5.Improved health and well-being of children living in poverty

Our strong emphasis on community ownership encourages local support for education and by purchasing local food wherever possible, we aim to contribute to the national economy and improve local livelihoods. By providing a lasting physical infrastructure, establishing and training strong school feeding committees which own and manage each project and working closely with national governments on school feeding design and policy, we are working to ensure that our projects are sustainable for the long-term. At a secondary level, we therefore aim for our programmes to impact on:

6. Increased support for education within vulnerable communities
7. Improved livelihoods for disadvantaged smallholder farmers
8. Support and replication of effective school feeding programmes by Governments

More at: <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/>

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COFFEE MORNING at St. JOHN VIANNEY'S - **TODAY!!!**

Come along after 9.30am mass today for a tea or coffee, cake and meet some of your fellow parishioners. Please take this opportunity to socialise with your fellow parishioners, and, if you can, do some home baking. Just a few of us are baking at the moment, everything always sells so don't be shy.



Although the objective has not been to raise money the small amounts raised have already supported the Lourdes group and the Nepal appeal. The monies raised from future coffee mornings will contribute to refurbishing the kitchen at St. John Vianney's.

VISITING OR ON HOLIDAY ?

We as a Christian community welcome all visitors and 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 & website details are on the front page of this newsletter.



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



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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, Bill Dunsmore, Veronica Clarke, Gerard Clarke, Peter James Clarke, Kathleen Clarke, Paul Kochanek, Lorraine McClusky, Sandy Taylor, Mary McCartney, Theresa Flemming, Mona Pyat, Kathleen McNeil, Nina Smith, Dr. Michael Basquial, Mrs McConnichie, Alma White, Anne McNiven, Maureen Joyce, Margaret Byrne, Margaret Tobin, Tina Burgoyne, Betty Witton and all those in the various nursing homes.

Remember those who have recently died.... Winifred (Winnie) Conlan.

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

Peter Lamb and George Robertson

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 7.30pm on the first Wednesday of the month in the Hall at St. Mungo's, Alloa.

Next Sunday is Sea Sunday - Special collection for Apostleship of the Sea.

Parish Collections 28th June 2015



St. Bernadette's	£485.09
Peters Pence	£167.91
St. John Vianney's	£368.64
Peters Pence	£178.77

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**

Sunday 5th July	Mass times as Normal - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time * No Adoration & Prayers today.
Monday 6th July	9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion, St. John Vianney's 10am - Mass Nazareth House, Edinburgh: 90th birthday Fr. Mike's Mum. 1.00pm - Crieff Deanery Lunch for Mgr Charlie Hendry
Tuesday 7th July	7.00am - Dunblane; Youth leave for Lourdes 9.30am - Diocesan Centre, Dundee: Mission Awareness
Wednesday 8th July	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's.
Thursday 9th July	9.30am - St. Bernadette's.
Friday 10th July	9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's 7.00pm - Mass, St. Bernadette's.
Saturday 11th July	9.30am - Mass and Confessions, St. Bernadette's
Sunday 12th July	Mass times as Normal - 15th Sunday in Ordinary time. Sea Sunday, Apostleship of the Sea special collection * No Adoration & Prayers today.

DURING THE MONTH OF JULY THERE WILL BE **NO** EXPOSITION AND PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON SUNDAY'S AT ST. JOHN VIANNEY'S. WE WISH FR. MARTIN A GOOD SUMMER HOLIDAY !

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

7th - 20th July	Youth away at Lourdes .
12th July	Sea Sunday. Apostleship of the Sea special collection 
10th September	Clacks Council Education Committee meetings 10 am
26th - 27th Sept	Mary's Meals clothes collection on Saturday 26th Sept. Representatives of Mary's Meals at all masses on Sunday 27th Sept.

REPAIR / UPDATE OF TOILETS - ST BERNADETTE'S

The toilets look dirty but are in fact clean! However the Fabric and Maintenance Group have decided to update them. The tiles on the floor are excellent quality so we will find a way of properly cleaning them and polish them up. New toilet facilities will be installed along with new curtains and fresh paint. Sorry for any inconvenience during this time.

Please remember that the toilets in the sacristy/house corridor are for use of visiting clergy and altar servers only. We ask you not to use them for your own protection.



**Apostleship
of the Sea**
Supporting Seafarers Worldwide

Next week is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea.

There will be a second collection for Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports.

Please give generously to support its important work.

For more information about its work visit: www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

CHILDRENS CLOTHES FOR BRAZIL ...

As stated in previous newsletters, Fr. Mike sends children's clothes to Brazil in September and December each year. Normally by now he has a small stock ready to send but at the moment he has almost none. People have been very good in the past, instead of throwing out children's clothes they have handed them in for Fr. Mike to forward to Brazil. 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!



Just a reminder that there are plenty of BRAZIL JARS for your spare coins available at the back of the church.

Lourdes Youth 100 Club Prize Winners

**Drawn at St. Bernadette's on 28th June after 11.30am morning mass.
1st Prize £100, No175 M Mc'Brearty - 2nd Prize £25, No71 M Ramsay.
Next draw Sunday 26th July at St. John Vianney's**

Our prayers go with our two youths leaving on Tuesday along with the other youths of the Dunkeld Diocese to work and care for the sick in Lourdes
Hopefully they will return full of inspiring moments to share with us.

St. Vincent De Paul.

If you know of anyone in the parish that could do with a visit and/or any help from us then please put a note with details in the S.V.D.P box at the back of the church.

Congratulations this week to
Agnes Morrison who celebrates her 80th birthday
and also to Fr. Mike's Mother who
celebrates her 90th birthday this week.

We cannot in truthfulness call upon that God who is the father of all if we refuse to act in a brotherly way towards certain people, created in God's image. One's relationship with God the Father and his relationship with his brothers and sisters are so linked together that scripture says: 'he who does not love does not know God' (1 John 4:8). - (Octagesimo Adveniens, 17.2)

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

A Catholic Social Teaching message from Pope Paul VI: "If you want Peace, work for Justice"

