

Dear Parishioners,  
I just wanted to say a huge Thank-You to all for your very generous support of Sea Sunday last weekend and giving me such a warm welcome into the parishes of St Bernadette's Tullibody and St John Vianney, Alva.



**Apostleship of the Sea**  
Supporting Seafarers Worldwide

I hope the information and stories I gave regarding the plight of Seafarers these days visiting our shores shed some more light on the essential work Apostleship of the Sea do.

I hope to return to your parish sometime in the near future to give you an update on all the main issues affecting Seafarers both practically and spiritually and how we can best help them.

In the meantime, if you want to find out more about AoS please visit our website at [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk) or give me a call on: *mobile* – 0772 009 3155



### 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.

**In 2002, the Mary's Meals vision was born.**

Founder Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow visited Malawi during a famine and met a mother dying from AIDS. When he asked her eldest son, Edward, what his dreams were in life, he replied simply...

*"I want to have enough food to eat and to go to school one day."*

That moment was a key part of the inspiration that led to the founding of Mary's Meals, which reaches impoverished children who can't go to school because they're working, begging or doing whatever it takes to eat.



**Little acts of love**

Thanks to the efforts of supporters around the world, these children are sitting in a classroom with full stomachs, gaining an education that can be their ladder out of poverty in the future.

Most of our work is done by an army of volunteers, who carry out lots of little acts of love on behalf of Mary's Meals. Our work is named after Mary, the mother of Jesus, who brought up her own child in poverty

We consist of, respect, and reach out to people of all faiths and none.

*"If you cannot feed a hundred people, then feed just one." Mother Teresa*

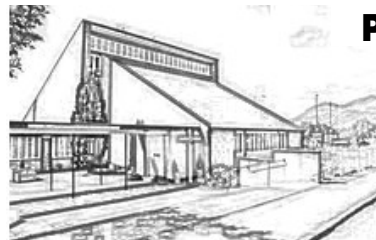
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### VISITING OR ON HOLIDAY ?

**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 and website details are on the front page of this newsletter.**



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



**St. Bernadette's**  
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Diocese of Dunkeld  
Scottish Charity  
No. SC001810

**19th July 2015**  
**16th Sunday**

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### Parish Websites

[www.catholic-church.org/stbernadettes](http://www.catholic-church.org/stbernadettes) & [www.catholic-church.org/stjohnvianneys](http://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, Betty Witton, Joan Wright and all those in the various nursing homes.

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

Tina Burgoyne and Winifred (Winnie) Conlan.

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

### Parish Collections 12th July 2015

St. Bernadette's	£403.42
Sea Sunday	£203.06
St. John Vianney's	£302.21
Sea Sunday	£252.38

## 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 19th July	Mass times as Normal - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon 20th July	9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's
Tuesday 21st July	NO SERVICES IN PARISH      10.00am - Nazareth House, Edinburgh 12 noon - Meeting, Kinross.
Wed 22nd July	9.30am - Mass, St. Bernadette's.
Thurs 23rd July	9.30am - St. Bernadette's.
Friday 24th July	9.30am - Mass, St. John Vianney's. 12noon - Missions working lunch 7.00pm - Mass, St. Bernadette's.
Sat 25th July	9.30am - Mass and Confessions, St. Bernadette's
Sunday 26th July	Mass times as Normal - 17th Sunday in Ordinary time.

DURING THE MONTH OF JULY THERE WILL BE NO EXPOSITION & PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON SUNDAY'S AT ST. JOHN VIANNEY'S WHILE FR. MARTIN IS ON HOLIDAY !

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

7th - 20th July	Youth away at Lourdes .
17th August	Deanery Meeting, Alva
20th August	Missio Directors Meeting, Airdrie.      PPC Alva
22nd August	Diocesan Mission Awareness, Dundee
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.
29/30th Sept	Airth Castle, Priests' Council

### 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.**

**On Sunday 26th July it will be impossible to park in front of and possibly be difficult to access St. John Vianney's church as there will be road surfacing works that day. Please plan your journey ahead and park in streets near by.**

## CHANGES IN DUNKELD DIOCESE

**The changes affecting us are as follows.**

**From the weekend of 29th/30th August Fr. Mike will no longer be parish priest at St. John Vianney's. Fr. Brian McLean will become Parish Priest at St John Vianney's, Fr. Brian is currently Parish Priest at St. Fergus, Forfar & St. Anthony's Kirriemuir and works on the Marriage Tribunal in Glasgow.**

**Fr. Martin Pletts will be moving to St. James, Kinross to become Assistant Priest and Fr. Mike will assume role of interim Parish Priest at Kinross.**

**Fr. Mike will remain Parish Priest in St. Bernadette's, Tullibody. Other changes in the diocese will be announced in the Dunkeld News.**

### Turn off electronic devices, please!

When we ask for people's collaboration it is not to be difficult...

Today's technology can be a wonderful help but it can bring with it certain restrictions. Our sound system is very advanced and the micro-phones communicate by radio frequencies. This is one of the reasons why we ask you to turn off mobiles, smart phones, I-pads, tablets etc. as they can cause interference. This is the reason we **FORBID** their use for filming, taking photographs during our liturgical celebrations.

During Confirmations the Bishop had constant problems with the PA system due to radio waves interference. (People videoing with smart phones)

**Please, please, respect our request for the benefit of all.**



**SWITCH  
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PLEASE**

### 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.

*'The goal of peace, so desired by everyone, will certainly be achieved through the putting into effect of social and international justice, but also through the practice of the virtues which favour togetherness and which teach us to live in unity, so as to build in unity, by giving and receiving a new society and a better world.'*

*Sollicitudo Rei Socialis, 39.9*

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



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