Parish 2018 Calendar featuring Fr. Mike's stunning photographs will be available to buy at the back of the church after the Saturday Vigil & Sunday morning masses. Price £5. All profits will go to support Orchard House.

Feed the Hungry: Place non-perishable and tinned items etc. in the basket/box at the back of the church. Our SVDP & KSC will distribute goods to the needy in our area and support “The Gate”


PLEASE HELP!

If you know of anyone in need in the parish please let the SVDP know or just put a note with name and contact details in the SVDP collection box in the church.

"May the Lord grant us the wisdom to seek that which is worthwhile and to love, not with our words but with our actions.” - POPE FRANCIS (@Pontifex)

St. Bernadette’s Primary School Enrolments for New intake 2018

We will be enrolling our new P1s on the 17th and 18th of January 2018. Please inform any friends and/or family who are considering sending their child to St. Bernadette’s that they should phone the school on 01259 723973 to arrange a time to enrol on those dates. The child should be 5 on or before 28.02.19. Proof of address, a birth certificate and baptism certificate (if the child is baptised) will be needed. It is easy to check whether or not St. Bernadette’s is a child’s catchment area. This can be done via the school on the Council website at: http://www.clacksweb.org.uk/mapping/schoolcatchment.php

All parents who live within the catchment, and wish their child to attend St. Bernadette’s, should enrol directly with us. There is no need to enrol with another school or to put in a placing request.

The winner of the K.S.C. Christmas Hamper Raffle was J. Mc'Donagh of St. Mungo’s. Raffle raised £487 which will go to Missio.

CHRISTMAS TREE:

We encourage parents to sit down with their children and write a label to hang on the tree for something they wish to pray for during this Christmas.

During Advent the school classes have been placing their prayer requests.

During Fr. Mike’s absence till end of January Canon John will be on call for emergency sick calls & funerals (01259 212486). All other parish business is dealt by those responsible or by Peter (chairperson of PPC) or Ronnie (vice chair).

If you want your newsletter delivered directly to your inbox just email us at the parish office with your request and full name: st.bernadettes.tullibody@gmail.com.
God’s heart has a special place for the poor, so much so that he himself “became poor”. The entire history of our redemption is marked by the presence of the poor. Salvation came to us from the “yes” uttered by a lowly maiden from a small town on the fringes of a great empire.”

- Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium, para 197

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

PARISH DIARY

Sat 23rd Dec 5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette’s.

SUNDAY 24th December
11.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette’s.
7.30pm - CHRISTMAS VGIL MASS

Monday 25th December
SOLEMN CHRISTMAS MASS
11.30am St. Bernadette’s.

Tuesday 26th December
9.30am - Morning Mass - St. Bernadette’s.
- Feast of St. Stephen

Wednesday 27th December
9.30am - Celebration of the Word, St. Bernadette’s.
- Feast of St. John Apostle

Thurs 28th Dec
9.30am - Morning office & Holy Communion, St. Bernadette’s.

Friday 29th Dec
NO SERVICES

Saturday 30th December
9.30am - Morning office & Holy Communion
5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette’s. Fr. Brian.

SUNDAY 31st December
11.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette’s.
Fr. Wullie

Monday 1st January 2018
Octave of Christmas
9.30am - Morning office & Holy Communion, St. Bernadette’s.

Tuesday 2nd Jan
NO SERVICES

Wednesday 3rd Jan
9.30am - Morning office & Holy Communion, St. Bernadette’s.

Thursday 4th Jan
9.30am - Morning office & Holy Communion, St. Bernadette’s.

Friday 5th Jan
NO SERVICES

Saturday 6th January
9.30am - Morning Office & Holy Communion, St. Bernadette’s.
5.30pm - Vigil Mass, St. Bernadette’s. Fr. Brian.

SUNDAY 7th January
11.30am - Morning Mass, St. Bernadette’s. Fr. Wullie.

PLEASE NOTE: The Sunday mass does not fulfil the canonical obligation of Christmas mass. Nor does the Christmas mass fulfil the Sunday obligation. If in doubt please ask.

A social network Christmas story: How the birth of Jesus might be revealed today. Youth will like this, and maybe some adults!
Go to: https://youtu.be/sghwe4TYY18 (On-line click link)

ADVENT PROJECT

ST. MUNGO’S + ST. JOHN VIANNEY’S + ST. BERNADETTE’S

The joint Advent Christmas Project is simply a way for those who wish to celebrate “God is with us” at Christmas by sharing some of our resources with those in need.

Collection buckets at the back of the church each weekend in Advent and at Christmas masses.

Our first project is:
Okerai Primary School Water Harvesting, Okerai, Uganda £5,000.

Should we do exceptionally well the remaining money will go towards financing a Borehole for St Benedict’s School, Amucu, Uganda £4,500
(Details of both projects on notice boards and on website)

If we do not reach our targets SPICMA, the Catholic organization we are working with (all volunteers, no paid staff) will try to top-up the fund to complete the project…… This enables our partners in Uganda to plan.

Please be generous!

“These days there is a lot of poverty in the world, and that’s a scandal when we have so many riches and resources to give to everyone. We all have to think about how we can become a little poorer.” - (Pope Francis)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

06 JANUARY Special Collection for Justice & Peace
14 JANUARY Children’s Liturgy
27 JANUARY Fr. Mike returns.
28 JANUARY Mission Appeal by Columban Fathers. Children’s Liturgy
04 FEBRUARY Children doing Readings, Collection & Offertry.
14 FEBRUARY ASH WEDNESDAY

NO NEWSLETTER NEXT WEEK - NEXT ISSUE 7th JANUARY