



St. Bernadette's Tullibody Parish Newsletter

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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat	12 July	8.45am - 9.15am 9.30am 11am 5.30pm	Confessions Mass House Mass Vigil Mass
Sun	13 July Sea Sunday	8.30am 9.30am 11.30am	Mass Mass ~ St John Vianney's, Alva Mass
Mon	14 July	9.30am	Mass
Tues	15 July	~ ~ ~ ~	No services
Wed	16 July	9.30am	Mass
Thurs	17 July	9.30am	Mass
Fri	18 July	7pm	Mass
Sat	19 July	8.45am - 9.15am 9.30am 5.30pm	Confessions Mass Vigil Mass
Sun	20 July	8.30am 11.30am	Mass Mass

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading	Deuteronomy 30: 10-14
Psalm	69(68):14,17,30-31,33-34,36,37
Second Reading	Colossians 1: 15-20
Gospel	Luke 10: 25-37

Last Sunday's Collection

Non Gift Aid	£399.60
Gift Aid	£370.60
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Total	£770.20

Prayer Requests

Those who are sick ~

Joan Jones, Msgr. Basil O'Sullivan, Seamus Freyne, Natalie Otalini, Jade Dicerbo, Stuart Mason, Sean McCann, Nellie Gallon, Carly Mournian, Brendan Murphy, Vincent McDaid, Peter Douglas, Mary Gordon, Mary Hughes, Peter & Margaret Stark, Sarah Jane Connelly, Duncan McGregor, Maria McIntyre, John & Trisha Smith, Drs. Diane & Mike Basquill, Maurice Di Duca, Heather Stewart, Cathy McCallum, Archie Gallaway, Bishop Stephen, Cathy Fox, Jim McKay, Peter Caproni, Laura Laing, Susan Duvall, Denise Smith, Brian Robertson, Melissa Brown, Margo Tobin, John Lawlor and Lisa Mcilwrath, Father Frank Smith MHM, Fr. Malcom Hutchinson seriously ill in hospital after a head on car crash

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time ~

Agnes Roberts, Bob Huber, George Campbell, Richard Clarke, Winnie Conlan, Moira Doherty, Iain Burns, Margaret Reid, Susanne Hughes, Emma Drysdale, Tom Harvey, Mgr. Tony Duffy.



BELL EXPERIMENT !



In the old days, that most of us remember, as soon as we entered the church we did not talk or it was in whispers. Everyone said their prayers and prepared for mass. Of course those who had been away for weeks due to illness no one asked how they were. New comers were not given a great welcome.

Today, most are aware, that before mass we are busy chatting, catching up on family news, people's health and at times the noise can be quite overwhelming. We need to find some sort of balance.

Fr. Mike suggested and was supported by the congregations that 5 minutes before mass a small bell will be heard to indicate there is only a short time before our mass begins and we will enter a short period of silence to prepare ourselves.

This will be an experiment. If not successful or people have alternatives then after the summer holidays the experiment will be suspended.

PITTENWEEM PILGRIMAGE TO ST FILLAN'S CAVE

Some of you may have already visited St. Fillan's Cave under the Episcopal Church in Pittenweem. We have been discussing with the responsible there about a parish group going there to say mass in the Cave. They already have daily prayers there and pilgrim groups do visit.

The original dates we tried were not suitable due to the local ARTS Festival and other village activities.

Pittenweem is a very small harbour village on a steep hillside.

Please note this pilgrimage would not be for those with mobility difficulties. The access to the cave is a very long alley way, about 300 steps. Inside the cave the rock floor is very uneven and even slightly hazardous. Sorry about that.

If we had about 30 people we could rent a small bus. 30 would be the maximum possible in the cave and that really is the maximum as it is small.

It would, at today's prices, cost about £25-£28 per person bus and a donation to the parish church (they have offered us teas and refreshments; entrance to the Cave is normally £2 per person).

I have left a sheet at the back of the church. This is NOT A COMMITMENT but an indication you would be interested in going. This way we can calculate the size of the bus etc. Thanks. Please sign TODAY! Please indicate if you prefer a Saturday or a weekday. I would imagine leaving about 9am and being back for 4pm.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS

New servers, who are not away on holiday, there will be short practises every Saturday at 10am.

Feed the Hungry

Please place non-perishable & tinned items, etc in the box at the back of the church. Our KSC & SVDP will distribute goods to the needy in our area and also support "The Gate" food bank.



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St. Vincent de Paul
Scotland

Sea Sunday 2025

Vatican message to seafarers and fishers

08 July 2025

Vatican Calls Seafarers and Fishers “Pilgrims of Hope, Prophets of Peace”
Seafarers and fishers are in the heart of the Church and serve as “pilgrims of hope” and “prophets of peace”, the Vatican has said in a message released ahead of Sea Sunday, which will be marked on 13 July this year.

In a powerful statement, Cardinal Michael Czerny, Prefect of the Vatican’s Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, reaffirmed the Church’s deep commitment to those who work at sea. “We want all those who work at sea to know that they are in the heart of the Church,” the Cardinal said. “They are not alone in their demands for justice, dignity and joy.”

Addressing seafarers and fishers directly, Cardinal Czerny continued: “You are pilgrims of hope every time you work with care and love; every time you keep alive the bonds with your families and your communities; every time that in the face of social and environmental injustice you organise yourselves to react and respond courageously and constructively.”

Calling them to a prophetic role, he added: “We ask you to be bridges even between enemy countries, prophets of peace.”

Often the work of seafarers and fishers remains invisible to many. The Cardinal’s message asks the wider Church to consider how people work in ports and on ships, their rights, conditions of safety on board, and access to material and spiritual assistance.

On Sea Sunday, 13 July, Stella Maris—the Catholic Church’s maritime charity—invites parishes and communities to pray for those who work at sea and to support the charity’s work providing practical, pastoral and spiritual support to seafarers, fishers and their families in ports across the world.

This Sea Sunday, the Church gives thanks for the indispensable role seafarers and fishers play in all our lives and prays for their protection, health and peace of mind.

The full text of the Cardinal’s statement can be found here <https://www.humandevlopment.va/content/dam/sviluppoumano/news/2025-news/06-giugno/messaggio-domenica-del-mare/EN-Msg-Domenica-del-Mare-2025.pdf>