



St. Bernadette's Tullibody Parish Newsletter

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat	27 September	8.45am - 9.15am 9.30am 10am 5.30pm	No Confessions Morning Office & Holy Communion Diocesan Mission Group, Forebank Vigil Mass
Sun	28 September	8.30am 11.30am	Mass Mass ~ Children's Liturgy
Mon	29 September	9.30am 12pm 3.30pm	Mass Deanery meeting, Callander Meeting, Alloa
Tues	30 September	~ ~ ~ ~	No Services
Wed	1 October	9.30am 3.30pm 6pm	Mass Diocese IT Parish Financial Council
Thurs	2 October	9am 11am	Mass Council of Priests
Fri	3 October	7pm	Mass
Sat	4 October	8.45am - 9.15am 9.30am 10am - 12pm 5.30pm	Confessions Mass Big Garden Clean Up Vigil Mass
Sun	5 October	8.30am 11.30am	Mass Mass

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading	Amos 6: 1, 4-7
Psalm	146(145): 7-10
Second Reading	1 Timothy 6: 11-16
Gospel	Luke 16: 19-31

Last Sunday's Collection

Non Gift Aid	£223.29
Gift Aid	£470.00
Retired & Sick priests	£374.81
Total	£1068.10

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, Brian Robertson, Melissa Brown, Margo Tobin, John Lawlor and Lisa Mcilwrath, Father Frank Smith MHM, Fr. Malcom Hutchinson, Margaret Smith

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time ~

Marion Heggie, Agnes Roberts, Jim Hislop, Michael McKinnon, Fr Jim Wallace, William Forsyth, Bridie Lamb, Archie McNiven, Grace & Archie Dickson, Sandy Soave, Peter Lamb, Kathy McLaughlin, John Mullan, Bert Skinner, Leticia McGregor

BIG GARDEN CLEAN UP

4th October 2025 ~ 10 am to 12 Noon

All invited! Bring your tools!

We invite gardeners and good willed workers especially the young.

In preparation for winter let us together cut and prune our bushes and hedges. Cut the grass. Trim the grass edges. Pick up the litter.

Many hands make light work.

Let's not leave it all to those over 75!!!

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Diocesan Mission Day

We are quickly approaching October, the month the Church reflects and prays for the Missions. Once again we have a Diocesan Mission day on the Saturday before Mission Sunday. This year we gather on Saturday 18th October at Forebank for 9.30am to end at 3.30pm.

More and more questions are being raised about mission and how we do mission. The challenges of our modern world and Church are forcing us to question how to live mission in different ways.

Probably we Scots felt we were a well-established Church sending out lots of missionaries all over the world. However, Scotland has also always been a country receiving missionaries. We have always relied on missionaries! However, we were probably not aware of it! Why? Because they were generally white, their native language was English and they did not have to travel far. What would we have done without the Irish priests who often became Scottish Diocesan priests?

Many still regard Polish, African, Indian, Asian priests as a "stop gap". Scotland has fewer priests than we are used to, so we need to appoint priests from somewhere to our parishes. The majority of these wonderful priests are from missionary orders or Dioceses with a missionary spirit. They are not here to fill up the gaps but to announce the Good News.

Europe, the UK, Scotland are now missionary territories. Perhaps this concept is a little strange to us but we will eventually have to take this on board.

In the past years we have had some wonderful speakers who have often questioned us and helped us. This year we are so pleased to have Duncan MacLaren, a long time ago director of SCIAF and ex-director of Caritas International. Duncan has a vast amount of knowledge of our missionary Church.

The day so far suggested:

Theme **MISSION AND THE MODERN CATHOLIC IDENTITY.**

9.30 am Arrival and coffee

9.45 Brief Prayer in hall.

10 am During the day we will be using the method of CONVERSATIONS IN THE SPIRIT from the synodal process.

Duncan: Modern Catholic Identity

Groups with two questions

12 Noon Mass in the church. Not Mission Sunday mass but mass for the Evangelization of the People.

Followed by lunch. Please bring a packed lunch.

Final words: Bishop Andrew.

Please put this in your diary.

Many thanks,

Fr Mike



Quotes About Poverty

1. "Poverty is not an accident. Like slavery and apartheid, it is man-made and can be removed by the actions of human beings." –**Nelson Mandela**
2. "When someone steals another's clothes, we call them a thief. Should we not give the same name to one who could clothe the naked and does not?" –**Basil the Great**
3. "The greatest disease in the West today is not tuberculosis or leprosy; it is being unwanted, unloved, and uncared for." –**Mother Teresa**
4. "Poverty isn't a lack of character. It's a lack of cash." –**Rutger Bregman**
5. "There is a common tendency to ignore the poor or to develop some rationalisation for the good fortune of the fortunate." –**John Kenneth Galbraith**
6. "It will take more than you alone to pull 40 million Americans out of poverty, but who will you be if you don't care enough to try?" –**Oprah Winfrey**
7. "The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much; it is whether we provide enough for those who have too little." –**Franklin D. Roosevelt**

PLUMBER

Does anyone know a good plumber?

It is an easy fix – we hope. The tap we need in the yard to water the flowers and keep the yard and windows clean has no pressure.