

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Mass St Thomas's 5 pm
 St Bernadette's 6.15 pm

Sunday Mass
 St Thomas's 9 & 10.30 am
 St Bernadette's 12 noon

Monday–Friday St Bernadette's 9 am
 St Thomas's 10 am

Saturday Marian Devotions
 St Bernadette's 9.30 am
 St Thomas's 10.30 am

Confessions
 St Thomas's 4.30–4.50 pm Saturday

Appointment Times

Please note that Father is available from 10.30 am–12.30 pm each morning and 5–7.00 pm in the evening, Monday to Thursday. Should you need a more formal appointment, times can be allocated by the secretary on the Parish number.

The Sacrament of Anointing

If you or a member of your family are going into hospital or are ill, please receive this sacrament beforehand. Fr McGinley will gladly arrange this for you.

Baptisms

Anyone requiring Baptism please contact Fr McGinley, Sr Françoise or Sr Francesca.

Marriage

See Fr McGinley if you intend to marry in the Church. The Archdiocese requires 6 months notice.

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

Sr Mary Gerard O'Donnell OSF

Our parish will have a Mass of Thanksgiving for the anniversary of the Golden Jubilee of Profession of Sr Mary Gerard who belongs to our

parish. The Mass will be at St Thomas's on Saturday 16 July at 12 noon followed by a reception in the Hall.

Wedding

Chiara Conroy and Tymoteusz Tubilewicz will marry at St Thomas's this Saturday (16 July) at 2.15pm. All welcome. We offer them our best wishes and prayers for their married life together.

St Thomas's Roofwork

After negotiations with our insurance company the quote of £3199 to do repairs to the roof of the Church has been accepted and work has now commenced. The parish is liable for £300 of this figure.

Extraordinary Ministers Meeting

There will be meetings for all those Extraordinary Ministers who take communion to the Sick this week (though all Extraordinary Ministers are welcome). Monday 6.30pm at St Bernadette's and Tuesday 6.30pm at St Thomas's.

White Fathers Appeal

The sum of £1185 was raised by both Parishes for the work of the White Father's during their Mission last week. Many thanks.

Monthly Lottery Draw

The £50 St Bernadette's Monthly Lottery Draw has been won by Anne Brown. Congratulations.

Welcome

Fr Gerald Sharkey is in residence at St Thomas's during his holidays from work as Vice-Rector of the Scots College in Rome. We will also be welcoming Fr John Okpotu to our parish on 29 July. He will be staying with us until 29 August.

Parish Cluster

The Flourish newspaper (in Porch) has an interesting feature about the Clustering of Parishes in the Archdiocese. Our cluster (St Thomas, St Bernadette, St Maria Goretti, St Jude's & John Ogilvie), along with the other clusters in the Archdiocese are being asked to cooperate and build up closer ties with an view to the future.

Lourdes

Some of our parishioners have been able to go to Lourdes through the charity of the Parish Lourdes Fund. Sincere thanks to all who have contributed to their fundraising work.

Among Women

AGAP Theatre presents: Among Women, written & directed by Stephen Callaghan. Thursday 14 July in Eyre Hall, Archdiocesan Offices and Friday 15 July in St Helen's Hall, Langside. Both performances at 7.30pm. Tickets £5 (£2 for under-16s) from 0141 552 5527 or info@agap.org.uk. Tickets will also be available on the door.

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE Q & A

Q. What are the basic requirements for marrying within the Catholic Church?

A. The following basic requirements apply:

i. Notification: It is now a general rule that at least six months notice of the date on which you hope to marry must be given to the priest of the parish. The reason for this is to allow sufficient time for all the formalities and preparations that are required. It is highly advisable to delay setting the date for any other arrangements until you have agreed the date for the ceremony in the church where you hope to marry.

ii. Catholic Baptism: One partner at least must be a baptised member of the Roman Catholic Church

iii. Documentation: The priest who will be involved in your marriage will also advise you about exactly which papers will be required by the Church and Civil registrars.

iv. Marriage Preparation: Couples are to take part in some form of preparation for married life, in addition to planning the wedding ceremony.

Q. What if we are living together and maybe have children?

A. Many couples today are in this situation. The fact that one of you at least is a member of the Catholic Church by baptism means that you are able to marry within the Catholic Church. The Church welcomes all couples

who feel ready to make a public commitment to each other.

Q. If one of us is not a Catholic, do we need permission?

A. Yes: it is called a 'dispensation' or 'permission' and is arranged for you by the Priest.

Q. Are those who are not Roman Catholics required to become Roman Catholics?

A. No: the Church believes that becoming a member of a Church is a separate commitment, to be chosen freely. The decision to become a Catholic can be made at any time.

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ST BENEDICT (Feastday 11 July)

St Benedict, Abbot, c. 480–547, after living as a hermit at Subiaco (near Rome) founded the monastery of Monte Cassino. His *Rule*, observed by Benedictines and Cistercians, is distinguished by its wisdom and balance and those who lived by it did much to shape the Europe of today. As Pope Benedict XVI writes: 'The Saint's work and particularly his Rule were to prove heralds of an authentic spiritual leaven which, in the course of the centuries, far beyond the boundaries of his country and time, changed the face of Europe following the fall of the political unity created by the Roman Empire, inspiring a new spiritual and cultural unity, that of the Christian

faith shared by the peoples of the Continent. This is how the reality we call “Europe” came into being.’

WEEK AHEAD

• Mon. 11

Feast of St Benedict

Mass 9 am (St B)

Mass 10 am (St T)

Meeting for Extraordinary

Ministers 6.30 pm (St B)

• Tues. 12

Mass 9 am (St B)

Mass 10 am (St T)

Meeting for Extraordinary

Ministers 6.30 pm (St T)

• Wed. 13

Mass 9 am (St B)

Mass 10 am (St T)

• Thu. 14

Mass 9 am (St B)

Mass 10 am (St T)

• Fri. 15

Memorial of St Bonaventure

Mass 9 am (St B)

Mass 10 am (St T)

• Sat. 16

Marian Devotions ... 9.30 am (St B)

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Thanksgiving Mass for Sr Mary

Gerard O'Donnell ... 12 noon (St T)

INTENTIONS

those sick at home or in hospital

Kathleen McEleney, Eileen Forrest,

Vicky Bryceland, Mandy Lynch

those who have died recently

Helen Hendry

Anniversaries

James McRory, Patrick McRory, Don-

ald MacDougall, Fr Joe Cairns

Mass Bouquet

Sr Françoise

Grateful thanks to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Ss Clare, Rita, Peregrine, and Anne for favours received.

Betti McCusker

Holy Mass has been offered for the parishioners of St Bernadette's at the request of Betti McCusker in thanks for the continued prayers and good wishes in her recent illness. Betti is feeling much better now and is well on her way to recovery.

PARISH DONATIONS

2 & 3 JULY 2016

St Thomas's

Other £476

GAD £414

St Bernadette's

Other £188

GAD £153
