

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday  
of the Year (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

**THIS WEEK'S NOTICES**

**Sacramental Calendar**

The Sacramental dates for 2017 are  
now arranged:

**ST BERNADETTE'S**

Enrolment takes place in January

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday 21 March 7pm

Holy Communion:

Saturday May 13, 10.30am

**ST THOMAS'S**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday 20 March 2017, 7 pm

Holy Communion

Saturday 6 May 2017, 10.30 am

(for those children showing an appropriate understanding and who have been showing effort in coming to Mass.)

**Liturgy of the Word for Children**

Resumes now for Pr4 – Pr7 children at the 10.30. & 12 Masses whereby the children gather together for readings and catechesis before joining us for the prayer of the Mass. If you wish to help please speak to Father or Katrina Vezza after Mass.

**Parish minibus**

For many years Michelle Taylor has faithfully driven the minibus on Sat-

urday evenings, bringing older people to Mass for which we thank her. Michelle rightly wants to spend more time now with family. We have repeatedly asked for others volunteers. Two came forward, one being too young (minimum age is 25 ) and the other person changed their mind. The minibus is still able to collect people on Sunday for becoming a liability.

**Parish hall**

We have been losing a number of bookings from the parish Hall recently for various reasons. One may be the cost and this will be looked at. Another is the drinks licence, with last orders being at 11pm. We live in very close proximity to neighbours and this has to be taken into consideration for noise, exiting etc Private bookings/bar takings ensure income for the Parish and we would encourage you to make use of your Parish

hall for any of your functions. Booking forms are available from sacristy or the Parish office (Parish number 0141 770-7542). A forthcoming meeting will discuss the running and maintenance of hall and any interested parties would be very welcome.

**Sale of Work**

There will be a Sale of Work in St Thomas's Hall on 24 September from 11am to 2pm. There will be Tea and Coffee, Tombola, a Raffle, Home Baking and stalls. All home baking welcome. Contact Janette at 770 5496 to arrange a table.

**Safeguarding Training**

If any volunteers who work with Children or vulnerable adults haven't completed the required Safeguarding training there will be two opportunities to do so. There is an afternoon session on Thursday 6 October from >

**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.

**Baptisms**

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

**The Sacrament of Anointing**

If you or a member of your family are going into hospital please arrange to receive this sacrament beforehand. Fr McGinley will gladly organise this for you if you are due to go in or if you are ill.

**Marriage**

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

## ST BERNADETTE'S NOTICES

### **St Bernadette's Coffee Morning**

A Coffee Morning will be held in St Bernadette's in aid of the Mc-Millan Nurses after 12 noon Mass on Sunday 25 September.

### **SSVP Mass & Sacrament of the Sick**

Mass will be celebrated in St Bernadette's on Thursday 29 September at 6.30pm. If you know of anyone housebound who would like to come, transport can be provided. Please give their name & address to any SSVP member.

11-1 pm and an evening session on Monday 14 November from 7-9. For more information please contact Katrina Vezza on 0141 779 4929.

### **St Maria Goretti's**

Congratulations to St Maria Goretti's Parish celebrating their Diamond Jubilee, today Sunday 18 September with Mass at 2pm.

### **Baptisms**

the next Baptisms will be celebrated Sunday 30th October with 3 catechesis classes preceding.

### **Assisted Parishes Collection**

There will be a second collection on this day for the help of those parishes in the Diocese which struggle to support themselves.

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Catholic education isn't a scrap off the table to appease a minority group. It's the Church's gift to Scotland. Catholic schools are better than their non-denominational counterparts. A study of two recent years of HMI reports found that 40 per cent of ratings for Catholic secondary schools were 'very good' compared with 26 per cent in the non-denominational sector. This is despite the fact that many of those Catholic schools are in some of the most deprived areas of Scotland.

The facts are the facts. Catholic schools help poor kids. Many of them are Catholic, but increasingly many are not. Our doors are open to all. As has always been the case, smart parents of all Faiths and none recognise the value of a Catholic education.

*from the editorial in this week's  
Scottish Catholic Observer*

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### **AGAP Film & Faith Club**

The AGAP Film & Faith Club meets at 7pm (till about 10) on Thursday 6 October at St Mungo's Retreat House next to St Mungo's Church in Townhead (52 Parson Street, G4 0RX).

This month's film is 'Risen' (2016, Cert. 12A). New members are always welcome. There's a Big screen and speakers. Tea/Coffee and chat. Totally free!

**PARISH FINANCES**

There are many ways to help your parish. You might consider the ancient tradition of tithing a portion (often 10%) of your income to the Church. Think also about signing up

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**WEEK AHEAD**

**• Mon. 19 September**

Mass 9 am (St B)  
Mass 10am (St T)

**• Tues. 20 Mem. of Sts Andrew Kim  
Tae-Gon & Paul Chong Ha-  
Sang and Companions**

Mass 9 am (St B)  
Reception & Requiem Mass  
for Joe Connolly 10 am (St T)

**• Wed. 21 Feast of St Matthew**

Mass 9 am (St B)  
Mass 10 am (St T)

**• Thu. 22**

Mass 9 am (St B)  
Mass (*Primary 7a lead in a selection  
of the life of St Pio. All welcome.*)  
10 am (St T)

**• Fri. 23 Feast of St Pius of  
Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)**

Mass 9 am (St B)  
Mass 10 am (St T)

**• Sat. 24**

Marian Devotions 9.30 am (St B)  
Marian Devotions 10.30 am (St T)

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for Gift Aid; many have: it's a great help. Your parish faces many financial burdens, not only the cost of Gas for heating during the winter months but also the money it sends monthly to the Archdiocese – not to mention the impending yearly Insurance bills (over £6000 for St Thomas's and over £3000 for St Bernadette's alone!).

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**INTENTIONS**

**Those who have died recently**

George Doherty, Daniel Crossan,  
Sandra Jones, Garry O'Raw,  
Ken Fearon

**Month's Mind**

Mary Anderson

**Anniversaries**

Joseph McAroy, Catherine McAroy,  
James Stafford, Bridget Stafford,  
Eamonn Stafford, Chick Stevenson,  
Josephine Teresa McManus,  
Margaret Livingston



**Birthday Mass Bouquet**

Sadie Breen on her 90th birthday.

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**PARISH DONATIONS  
10 & 11 SEPTEMBER 2016**

St Thomas's St Bernadette's  
Other £226 Other £293  
GAD £439 GAD £180