

**Seventeenth 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.

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**THIS WEEK'S NOTICES****Sr Françoise**

I would like to thank everyone for their Masses, cards and gifts. I will miss you all, but you will be in my prayers. I would like to thank every-

one for taking on my communions and other ministries. It is a wonderful way to minister to our brothers and sisters. My last day will be on 31 July. God bless.

### **Esther Munro**

Esther Munro wishes to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and good wishes. Please continue to pray for Esther, for strength and healing. Holy Mass will be offered for everyone's intentions.

### **Mary McLean**

Holy Mass will be offered for all by Mary McLean in thanksgiving.

### **St Margaret of Scotland Hospice**

There is a letter from the Hospice in the porch of St Thomas's thanking the parishioners of both parishes for their donation to the Hospice in sponsorship of Andrew McGowan who ran the Rome marathon.

### **Archdiocese of Glasgow - Gift Aid**

There are 5 new people in the gift Aid scheme. Thanks for joining this simple and effective way to reclaim on your contributions which helps the parish even further.

### **Parish Appeal**

Fr James Cadman will come to the Parish this weekend (23-24 July) to make an appeal. Unlike many parts of the world where there are few seminarians, the crisis in large parts

of Asia is the lack of space for the number of applicants. Fr Cadman's Diocese (Diocese of Maasin, Southern Leyte in the Philippines) is experiencing the same challenge. At the moment the construction of a new Seminary building is underway. Because of the healthy number of vocations the Diocese has been able to send priests out as missionaries and your support would be very much appreciated for every little helps to bring a young man closer to the Altar of the Lord.

### **Lottery Prize (St Bernadette's)**

One lucky parishioner has won £2700-00 in our parish lottery. Congratulations.

We are now in a position to accept new members all profits go towards the upkeep of the parish. If you want to be a member see Pat, Rita or Jimmy.

### **The Margaret Sinclair Story**

Stephen Callaghan of the Archdiocese of Glasgow Arts Project (AGAP) has written a new play for the Edinburgh Fringe on the life of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair. Performances will be held at St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, in Edinburgh from 6-12 August at 7.45pm (Matinees on 9 & 11 August at 3.30pm). Tickets are £6 (£5 Concession) and are available from the Fringe box office or online at [tickets.edfringe.com](http://tickets.edfringe.com). They will also be available on the door before performances.

**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.

**AGAP Summer Special Movie Double**

See the poster in St Thomas's porch with the details of AGAP's Film nights.

**Welcome**

We will be welcoming Fr John Okpotu to our parish next week on the 29 July. He will be staying with us until 29 August.

**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.



**POPE FRANCIS ON MARRIAGE**

Those who celebrate the sacrament say, 'I promise to be true to you, in joy and in sadness, in sickness and in health; I will love you and honour you all the days of my life'. At that moment, the couple does not know what

will happen, nor what joys and pains await them. They are setting out, like Abraham, on a journey together. And that is what marriage is! Setting out and walking together, hand in hand, putting yourselves in the Lord's powerful hands. Hand in hand, always and for the rest of your lives. And do not pay attention to this makeshift culture, which can shatter our lives.

(Address to the Pilgrimage of Families, 26 October, 2013)



**FEAST OF ST JAMES THE APOSTLE**

We can learn much from St James: promptness in accepting the Lord's call even when he asks us to leave the 'boat' of our human securities, enthusiasm in following him on the paths that he indicates to us over and above any deceptive presumption of our own, readiness to witness to him with courage, if necessary to the point of making the supreme sacrifice of life.

Thus James the Greater stands before us as an eloquent example of generous adherence to Christ. He, who initially had requested, through his mother, to be seated with his brother next to the Master in his Kingdom, was precisely the first to drink the chalice of the passion and to share martyrdom with the Apostles.

And, in the end, summarizing everything, we can say that the journey, not only exterior but above all interior, from the mount of the Transfig-

uration to the mount of the Agony, symbolizes the entire pilgrimage of Christian life, among the persecutions of the world and the consolations of God, as the Second Vatican

Council says. In following Jesus, like St James, we know that even in difficulties we are on the right path.

Pope Benedict XVI  
(General Audience, 21 June, 2006)

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**WEEK AHEAD**

• **Mon. 25 Feast of  
St James the Apostle**  
Mass . . . . . 9 am (St B)  
Reception & Requiem Mass  
for Margaret Sheridan . . 10am (St T)

• **Tues. 26 Memorial of  
Sts Joachim & Anne**  
Mass . . . . . 9 am (St B)  
Mass . . . . . 10 am (St T)  
Reception of the remains of  
Janette Croly . . . . . 6.30 pm (St T)

• **Wed. 27**  
Mass . . . . . 9 am (St B)  
Requiem Mass for  
Janette Croly . . . . . 10 am (St T)

• **Thu. 28**  
Mass . . . . . 9 am (St B)  
Mass . . . . . 10 am (St T)

• **Fri. 29 Memorial of St Martha**  
Mass . . . . . 9 am (St B)  
Mass . . . . . 10 am (St T)

• **Sat. 30**  
Marian Devotions . . . 9.30 am (St B)  
Marian Devotions . . . 10.30 am (St T)

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**INTENTIONS**

**those sick at home or in hospital**  
Eileen Forrest

**those who have died recently**  
Kenny Crampsey, Margaret Sheridan,  
Sarah Hussey (Georgia, USA), May  
Morgan, Willian Nelson, Marie  
Loudon

**Anniversaries**  
Margaret (Dolly) Stirling (6 yrs),  
John McGlynn, Canon Michael  
Henretty, Don Henretty, Jane Mills  
(1st), Bridget Carlin, Willie Boyle,  
John & Margaret Sheridan, Pat  
Sheridan, Josephine Sheridan, James  
Sheridan, Margaret Sheridan, James  
Fitzpatrick, Catherine Kane, Margaret  
& Joseph Boyle, Dom Fr Charles  
Fitzsimons OSB, John Fitzsimons,  
John Montgomery.

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**PARISH DONATIONS  
16 & 17 JULY 2016**

**St Thomas's**                      **St Bernadette's**  
**Other £364**                      **Other £231**  
**GAD £315**                      **GAD £170**

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