

Eighteenth Sunday of
the Year (Year A)

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Mass St Thomas's 5.30 pm

Sunday Mass
 St Thomas's 10.00 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 5.00–5.30 pm Saturday

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

The Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

'The Father has told the disciples to listen to his only Son: Jesus already said he must suffer, die and rise again. Peter and us must engage with this.'

St Maria Goretti's Parish

There is a statement from Archbishop Tartaglia posted in the porch for your attention. Please keep Fr Sweeney and the parish of St Maria Goretti's in your prayers.

Second Collection

Over the last three Sunday's of August (13, 20 & 27) there will be a second collection at all Masses for the Parish. Please be aware.

Wednesday 9 August

There will be no morning Mass at St Bernadette's on Wednesday 9 August. Mass will take place at St Thomas's at 10am.

Holy Mass for the Newly Married Couples of 2017

Archbishop Tartaglia will celebrate Holy Mass for the newly married couple of the Archdiocese in St Andrew's

Cathedral on Sunday 8 October at 3pm. All couples of the Archdiocese married during the past few years are invited.

Altar Servers Needed

Parents who wish to present their child as an Altar Server, please approach Fr McGinley

Holyday of Obligation

Please note for your diary that Tuesday 15 August is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holyday of Obligation. Mass times as follows

- 9 am St Bernadette's
- 10 am St Thomas.

Joined by our schoolchildren from St Thomas who return to school today.



Appointment Times

10.30 am-12.30 pm each morning and from 5-7.00 pm in the evening, Monday to Thursday. Should a formal appointment be required please phone the Parish.

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.

Marriage

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



ST BERNADETTE'S NOTICES

Foodbank

The St Bernadette's foodbank needs to be replenished with foodstuffs and toiletries.

Flowers

Many thanks for donation for flowers.

Four Extra-Ordinary Ministers needed on this day.

7 pm St Thomas

For those returning from work.

Consecration of Scotland to Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary

On this year, the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Blessed Lady at Fatima, Scotland's Bishops will consecrate Scotland to Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This will take place at Carfin Grotto on Sunday 3 September at 3pm. To prepare for this event, Bishop Keenan has provided a list of prayer intentions and activities in the forty days leading to the Consecration. You can find this list at the back of the Church. Please take one.

We hope to provide a bus from both Parishes on that day. There are lists at the back of both churches; please put your name down to help us gauge demand. The Mass is at 3 pm. If you wish to go please append

your name on the form in the Porch by 28 August.

Safeguarding Training for Volunteers

Monday 28 August, 7–9pm at Archdiocese of Glasgow Eyre Hall.

Who should attend?

Training is compulsory for Parish volunteers (SSVP, Extraordinary Ministers) who work with children and/or vulnerable adults and who have NOT previously attended relevant Safeguarding training provided by the Catholic Church.

Aims of the training

To introduce Parish Volunteers to:

- The concept of Safeguarding and its implications in a church context.
- The responsibilities of the Parish

Volunteer and the Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator.

- A basic understanding of recognizing, responding and reporting abuse/concerns

- Practical provisions for working safely with children/adults at risk

Length of training: 2 hours

Those who intend to attend training please sign the form at the back of the Church.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Has been re-ordered by the Archbishop to Primary 7 age. The Archbishop will celebrate The Sacrament here in St Thomas on Monday 13 November for children of St Thomas & St Jude's Parishes, the children being

Financial Matters

With the reducing of Mass times, there will inevitably be an impact on Finance and contribution given to both Parishes. We thank you for your continual upkeep of your parishes financially which is one of the Commandments of the church. This falls of course on the people who come. At the moment we have one collection at each Mass, sometimes a second collection for the Diocese (forthcoming collections see below). We thank those who are gift-aided to the Parish, those working or have pensions

whereby we are able to claim back on what you contribute (a real easy way to make extra income). Nevertheless we need to take a real serious look at what we contribute to the Parish. For too long we have maybe thought of the church as worth a pound or two. How much is my membership for a season book? My Bowling club fees? How much do I spend on concerts or going out? One way to look at it is in a scriptural sense where God's people gave a tithe, a tenth of income or you could give the first hour of your working week.

from St Thomas Primary 7 Our Lady of Peace Primary 7, 59 children in all. A programme of catechesis and preparation has been established for Parents /Sponsors and children and will begin after the children return to school in August. This is to let Parents know and be aware of the forthcoming Sacrament to be celebrated for your child. Any Parents whose children attend other schools should approach Father McGinley as soon as possible.

THE WEEK AHEAD

TUES 8 AUGUST St Dominic
Priest, 1170–1221, a Spaniard who founded the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) to counteract the Albigenian heresy.

WED. 9 St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

No morning Mass at St Bernadette's.

St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), Virgin and Martyr, Co-

PARISH DONATIONS	
29 & 30 July 2017	
St Thomas's	St Bernadette's
Other £465	Other £193
GAD £268	GAD £106

Patron of Europe, born 1891 at Breslau (now Wroclaw, Poland). A brilliant student, she gained her doctorate in philosophy at twenty-five. Became a Catholic in 1922 and a Carmelite nun. Of Jewish ancestry and now Catholic, she fled to Holland when the Nazis came to power but she was seized and sent to Aushwitz where she died in its gas chamber on 9 August 1942.

THU. 10 St Lawrence
Martyred at Rome in the persecution of Valerian in the year 258.

FRI. 11 St Clare of Assisi
Born at Assisi in 1193, died 1253. She followed St Francis in his life of poverty and was founder and leader of the Poor Clares.

INTENTIONS

Those sick at home or hospital
Anne Anderson & all the sick and housebound of both Parishes

Those who have died recently
Betty Reilly & Cari Cline

Anniversaries
Elizabeth Mitchell & Pat White (2nd)



Mass Bouquet
Frances Hughes
