

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord (Year A)

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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

Thank You

A sincere thank you from all the Priests for your kind gifts and wishes over the Christmas season.

Special Collections

For the Pro-life work of the diocese St Bernadette's raised £200 and St Thomas's £450 last week. Many thanks. At Masses today there is a special collection for the Archdiocese's Justice & Peace work.

St Thomas Primary Enrollment

Enrollment for the Primary is all next week from 1.30–3 pm. Please bring three means of identification: Birth and Baptism Certificates and a proof of Address.

First Communions

Mass Attendance cards for St Thomas's and St Bernadette's are being given out for the new year to encourage children who are preparing for their First Holy Communions to attend Mass with their families.

First Vespers for St Kentigern

On Thursday 12 January (Eve of the Feast of St Mungo), for the first time since the Reformation, First Ves-

pers for St Kentigern will be sung in Glasgow Cathedral by the Cantors of the Holy Rude. Doors open at 5 pm, concert begins at 5.30 pm. Free.

Christmas Crib

Donations at the crib will go to the St Margaret of Scotland Children and Family Care Society. The crib offers are an important and significant source of income for them.

St Mungo Festival 11-19 January

The Festival is a series of free events celebrating St Mungo and his city, Glasgow. See [facebook.com/stmungofestival](https://www.facebook.com/stmungofestival) for details of events.

Glasgow Phoenix Choir

Glasgow's Phoenix Choir are having a concert in St Andrew's Cathe-



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.



dral on Clyde St on Saturday 28 January at 7 pm. The concert will be in aid of the Cathedral's Organ fund.

First Friday Confessions

Confessions for children preparing for their First Holy Communion this year are on Friday at 11 am.



**THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY
Sunday 8 January**

This feast, which marks the end of Christmastide, commemorates the arrival of the three kings by the manger in Bethlehem and, by extension, the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. In many countries it's the feast of the Epiphany that gifts are given rather than Christmas day. Pope Benedict XIV commented on the Feast day as follows:

Epiphany, the 'manifestation' of Our Lord Jesus Christ, is a many-faceted mystery. The Latin tradition identifies it with the visit of the Magi to the infant Jesus in Bethlehem and thus interprets it above all as a revelation of the Messiah of Israel to the Gentiles. The Eastern tradition on the other hand gives priority to the moment of Jesus' Baptism in the River Jordan when he manifested himself as the only begotten Son of the heavenly Father, consecrated by the Holy Spirit. John's Gospel, however, also invites us to consider as an 'epiphany' the

wedding at Cana, during which, by changing the water into wine, Jesus ‘manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him’ (John 2:11). And what should we say, who are everyday witnesses and ministers of the ‘epiphany’ of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist? The Church celebrates all the mysteries of the Lord in this most holy and most humble sacrament in which he both reveals and conceals his glory.

THE FEAST OF ST MUNGO

Friday 13 January

St Mungo (also known as Kentigern) was the first bishop of the Britons who inhabited Strathclyde in the 6th century and is regarded as the founder of city of Glasgow. The city’s current motto ‘Let Glasgow flourish by the preaching of His word and the praising of His name’ is inspired by Mungo’s original call of ‘Let Glasgow flourish by the preaching of the word’.

His nickname, Mungo, means ‘dear one’ or ‘darling’. Born in Culross, Fife, he was raised by St Serf and became a hermit near Glasgow. Driven into exile after being consecrated a bishop in 540, Kentigern went to St David in Wales. There he possibly founded St Asaph Monastery at Llanelwy. In 553, he returned to Scotland to continue his labors. With his mother St Enoch, he is patron

ST BERNADETTE’S NOTICES

St Bernadette’s Raffle

St Bernadette’s Raffle raised £200 for parish funds. Our grateful thanks to those who donated the prizes and congratulations to those who won them. Thanks also to those who bought tickets. The winners’ list is at the back of the church.

St Bernadette’s Lottery

The winner of this month’s £50 was Ann McShane. Many congratulations.

St Bernadette’s Food Bank

The Sisters’ charity food stocks are very low and any tins or other non-perishable foods would be most welcome. Thank you in advance.

of Glasgow. He is also venerated as the Apostle of Northwestern England and Southwestern Scotland.

In the *Life of Saint Mungo*, he performed four miracles in Glasgow. They are commemorated in the City’s Coat of arms and in the symbols you can see on bus stops and buildings throughout the city. The following verse is used to remember Mungo’s four miracles: *Here is the bird that never flew / Here is the tree that never grew / Here is the bell that never rang / Here is the fish that never swam.*

The verses refer to the following:

The Bird — Mungo restored life to a robin, that had been killed by some of his classmates.

The Tree – Mungo had been left in charge of a fire in St Serf’s monastery. He fell asleep and the fire went out. Taking a hazel branch, he restarted the fire.

The Bell – the bell is thought to have been brought by Mungo from Rome. It was said to have been used in services and to mourn the deceased. The original bell no longer exists but a replacement was made in the 17th century.

The Fish – refers to the story about the Queen Languoreth of Strathclyde who was suspected of infidelity by her husband. King Riderch demanded to see her ring, which he claimed she had given to her lover. In reality the King had thrown it into the River Clyde. Faced with execution she appealed for help to Mungo, who ordered a messenger to catch a fish in the river. On opening the fish, the ring was miraculously found inside, which allowed the Queen to clear her name.

**PARISH DONATIONS
31 DEC & 1 JANUARY 2017**

St Thomas’s St Bernadette’s
Other £499 Other £309
GAD £356 GAD £205

THE WEEKS AHEAD

**MON 9 *Feast of the Baptism
of the Lord***

Reception & Requiem Mass
for Michael Bradley 9.00 am (St B)
Mass 10.00 am (St T)

THU. 12

Mass 9.00 am (St B)
Mass 10.00 am (St T)
Reception of the remains
of Patrick Smyth 6.30 pm (St B)

FRI. 13 *Feast of St Mungo*

Requiem Mass for
Patrick Smyth 9.00 am (St B)
Mass with the School 10.00 am (St T)

INTENTIONS

Those sick at home or hospital

Sheila Ward, Marylin Pollock

Those who have died recently

Robert Fairbairn, Maria Hoey, May
Kelly, Patrick Smyth, Danny McKay,
Fr Bernard Connell

Anniversaries

Paul Thomas Ritchie, John & Mary
McNamee, James Watson, Douglas
Davidson, Nancy Shaw, Donald Kane,
Veronica Kane, William Henretty,
Ellen Henretty, Bill, Dorothy & Marie
Therese Henretty, Des McLean,
Elizabeth McGrath, Peter McGrath,
Joe Pandolfi & Mary Welsh
