

Family Care Society prides itself on being a specialized adoption service and encourages you to take a look at our most recent inspection report at [www.careinspectorate.com](http://www.careinspectorate.com). Could you give a loving, stable home to a child who has suffered abuse or trauma? If you're able to answer 'yes' to any of these questions is yes, please visit our website at [stmargaretsadoption.org.uk](http://stmargaretsadoption.org.uk) for more information or call 0141 332 8371.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**TUES 19**

Cheese & Wine in St Thomas's Hall  
7.00-9.00 pm

**WED 20 St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon and Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions**

St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, the first native Korean priest, St Paul Chong Ha-sang, a catechist, and 101 others were martyred during the persecutions of the Church in Korea, 1839-67.

**PARISH DONATIONS  
9 & 10 September 2017**

<b>St Thomas's Other £385 GAD £300</b>	<b>St Bernadette's Other £155 GAD £225</b>
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**THU 21 St Matthew**  
Mass with the school (led by Primary 7a) 10 am (St T)  
Apostle and Evangelist, was originally a tax gatherer for the Romans at Capernaum until called by Christ. He probably wrote his Gospel in Aramaic for a Jewish audience.

**SAT 23 St Pio of Pietrelcina**  
Died 23 September 1968. Capuchin friar, stigmatic, confessor, friend of all who suffer.

**INTENTIONS**

**Those sick at home or hospital**  
Eileen Adaya & all the sick and housebound of both Parishes

**Those who have died recently**  
Peter Watson & Rita Holt

**Anniversaries**  
Josephine Teresa McManus, John McGourlay, Ellen Henretty, William Henretty, Hilda Henretty, William Welsh, James, Bridget & Eamon Stafford/

**Mass Bouquet**  
Mary Strutt, John & Catherine McCann, Philomena Newcombe, Colette Anne Geddes & Betti McCusker

**ST THOMAS'S & ST BERNADETTE'S**

17.09.2017

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday  
of the Year (Year A)**

Father John McGinley (PP)  
& Sr Francesca Wilson

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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

Today is my last Sunday celebrating Holy Mass in St Thomas and St Bernadette although I will be celebrating Mass weekdays until this coming Friday. The primary action of the Priest is to offer Sacrifice and Praise to God on behalf of his People. It has been privilege to offer that each day for you here. The Eucharist, the source and summit of our life as Christians lead us to greater charity and unity. Sources of disobedience, divisiveness, cultic practice can be contrary to unity and charity and can lead to selfishness and lack of vision

It is in the context of that unity and charity that I hope you will welcome Fr Neil McGarrity as your new Parish Priest and help him into the future.

I take this opportunity to express my thanks to those who have shown me expressions of kindness and support in both faith communities over my stay. It is lovely to witness new buds for the future in terms of newly Baptised and Families within the Parish and of course it is easy to see the many blessings that God gives each day. May you continue to know his Blessings.

Thanks to Fr Stephen Dunn for his help over many months in Parish, Hospital and Nursing Homes - always willing to be of help.

There will be a Cheese and Wine in the hall on Tuesday in St Thomas's Hall from 7-9pm.

### Parish Council Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Joint Parish Council on Wednesday 20 September at 7pm in the Parish house.

The joint Parish Council of St Thomas & St Bernadette has the following members who will meet with Fr McGarrity after he arrives.

*Martin Cowan, Andy & Isobel Duffy, Sr Francesca, Alexander Geddes, Joe Murray, Maureen Stuart, Nancy & John Robertson, Eddie & Theresa Watson, Terry Coyle, Amanda White* (Representing both parishes).

the Last 2 meetings concentrated on the Rationalisation of Masses

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### 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.

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which was accomplished at Pentecost and a Discussion of the nature of the Neo Catechumenate. Subsequent meetings will now be with Fr McGarrity. Other ongoing topics will be the use of the Hall and other issues. The members of the Parish council serve for 3 years.

### Events in the Archdiocese

Please see posters in the porch and Gathering Area for events happening around the Archdiocese.

### 'Humanism'

'It's interesting to see what The Scottish Humanist Association funds ... It charges £400 for weddings (£1.7 Million per annum) and £150 for funerals but, as well as celebrants contributing part of their fee to the Society to develop humanist ceremonies, it also funds the following: Assisted Dying, Campaign against witness outside termination clinics, Ending Religious Representatives on Education Committees, The Atheist Bus Campaign, Good without God, My Life/My Death/My Choice, Campaign to encourage children to exercise their 'right' to opt out of Religious Observance without reference to parents ...'

The next time you go to a Wedding or Funeral conducted by a Humanist celebrants, this might give you some food for thought. Is what I do detrimental to my faith and the Church and even to God Himself?

## ST BERNADETTE'S NOTICES

### Foodbank

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

## | OCTOBER EVENTS

### AGAP Film & Faith Club

This month's film is Hackshaw Ridge (2016, Cert.15). The club will meet on Thursday 5 October at 1pm (for the Matinee) and 7pm in the evening. It meets at St Mungo's, Townhead, 52 Parson Street, G4 0RX. New members welcome! Totally free.

### Fundraising Ceilidh Night

At the Little Sisters of the Poor, 14 Cumnock Rd, Robroyston on Friday 6 October at 7.30pm. Tickets at £7 (includes light supper). For tickets contact Sr Evelyn on 0141 558 5114.

### 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.

### The Beginning Experience

Are holding a residential weekend for those suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or wid-

owhood. The weekend will take place from 6-8 October 2017 at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. For details contact Ros on 0131 669 0003, or email rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk Completed applications must be returned by Friday 22 September 2017.

### Mass Offering Envelope

If you wish to have a Mass offered for the repose of someone's Soul or for someone's Intentions or a Mass Bouquet, Mass Offering envelopes are now available at the back of the Church or on request.

### Society for the Protection of Unborn Children Conference

200 St Vincent St, Glasgow: Sat 7 Oct : 10 am-4 pm. Cost £25

David Quinn: Top Irish Journalist and Head of the Iona Institute, standing against the tide of secularism in Ireland.

Stephanie Gray: International Pro-Life Speaker who gave the widely acclaimed pro-life talk at Google Headquarters in California.

Lord Brian Gill: Distinguished judge and former Lord President of the Court of Session

Tea/Coffee, cake and an incredible buffet lunch will also be provided. (See SPUC website)

### St Margaret's Children & Family Care Society

Have you ever considered adoption? The St Margaret's Children &