

**Third Sunday of Lent  
(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****Parish Stalls at St Thomas's  
& St Bernadette's**

New titles in stock. Come and browse! Please make use of the stall and purchase its goods. Including cards for various occasions: Anniversary Mass Cards, Happiness in your new home, St Patrick's Day, Easter & Easter Mass Bouquet cards.

**Lenten Alms**

Lenten Alms are taken up as our second collection on most Sunday's throughout Lent for the Sick and Retired Priests of the Archdiocese (next week's collection is for SCIAF though, please see the relevant notice in this week's Newsletter). Please be prepared for 2nd collection through the Lenten Season. This is sent to the Archdiocese.

*Last Week's Alms (Week 2)*  
St Thomas £490  
St Bernadette £263

**Deanery Lenten Station Mass**

The Station Mass for our Deanery will be at St Joachim's, Carmyle tomorrow (March 20) at 7 pm.

This is a final call to ask that you put your name down on the lists pro-

vided if you require transport on the night. Pickup time from St Thomas's will be 6.25 pm and St Bernadette's 6.30 pm.

**Lenten Leaflet**

These leaflets are produced for you to help keep in mind the various services. All our schoolchildren have received them and I ask for a huge favour: take them home for your families, pop them through a neighbour's door, distribute them to others. This is your task, to spread the good news.

**SCIAF Special Collection**

There will be a Special Collection next week on Laetare Sunday (26 March) for SCIAF. The Archbishop has informed us that this collection will also be for the East Africa Food



**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.



**EASTER TRIDUUM**

Following on from last year, this year's Easter Triduum will be a joint celebration at St Thomas's for everyone from both parishes.

**Holy Thursday**

*Mass of the Lord's Supper*  
7 pm (St T)

**Good Friday**

*Liturgy of our Lord's Passion*  
3 pm (St T)  
*Stations of the Cross & kissing of the Cross* 7 pm (St B)

**Holy Saturday**

*Easter Vigil* 8.30 pm (St T)

Emergency. This collection will help with the feeding of 'men, women and especially children who are facing very severe famie and extreme food shortage'.

**Lenten Materials**

In the porch for you to take away: SCIAF Boxes, Pioneer Abstinence Promise, Lent is Coming Promise.

**RCIA**

The next RCIA meeting will take place on next Monday 27 March and we'll be learning about Catholic Prayers and Devotions. We meet from 7pm-8.15pm at St Thomas's Presby-

## ST BERNADETTE'S NOTICES

### GAD Envelopes

It seems that envelopes for your contributions during March are missing. Please enclose your donation in an envelope with the parish name, GAD number and date on the outside. Thank you.

### Easter Egg donations

parishioners are invited to donate an Easter Egg and/or a Christian Easter card for our housebound parishioners. Please write on the card 'Happy Easter from the parishioners of St. Bernadette's'. There will be a box in the Gathering Area.

tery. Pray for our enquirers as they journey on in faith.

### Annual Spring Concert

St Andrew's Secondary's Music Department is presenting its Annual Spring Concert on 29 March this year at 7.30pm in the school. Tickets are £4 and available at the night on the door.

### Lourdes: Summer 2017

Following our latest meeting on 16 February another 3 people have expressed interest and been approached in the hope of going on this pilgrimage, with a further sponsorship to a young person who is going as a helper. We have another space if anyone else wants to express a wish

to go please approach Fr McGinley or members of the Lourdes group. Why not sign up to the 200 club which supports this good cause. See Tommy Flannery in the Porch after Mass on Sunday.

### 'Wilderness'

The Archdiocesan Arts Project (AGAP) is putting on a play in St Thomas's Hall this year called 'Wilderness' on Saturday 1 April. Please try and support this event in the parish and the work of the Archdiocesan Arts Project. Tickets £5 and available from the Parish house or on the door. Please take a look at AGAP's website ([www.agap.org.uk](http://www.agap.org.uk)) for a list of events during Lent this year.

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## THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

For St Thomas's and St Bernadette's children in Primary 3.  
Monday 27 March 7pm at St Thomas's  
Please be seated at 6.45pm.

### Sacrament of Holy Communion

*St Thomas's*: Sat. 6 May 10.30 am.  
*St Bernadette's*: Sat. 13 May 10.30 am.

### Parents' Meeting

There is a meeting on Tuesday 28 March to prepare for St Thomas's First Holy Communion (children needn't attend). Please meet in the Parish Hall at 7pm.

**THE FEAST OF ST JOSEPH**  
**Patron of the Universal Church,**  
**of Workers and the Sick & Dying**

St Joseph was the type of the message of that Gospel that Jesus was to announce as the programme in the redemption of mankind, once he left the little workshop at Nazareth and began his mission as prophet and teacher. Saint Joseph is the model of those humble ones that Christianity raises to great destinies, and he is the proof that in order to be good and genuine followers of Christ there is no need of 'great things'; it is enough to have the common, simple, human virtues, but they need to be true and authentic.

Pope Venerable Paul VI  
Homily on the Feast of St Joseph,  
1969

**PARISH DONATIONS**  
**11 & 12 March 2017**

<b>St Thomas's</b>	<b>St Bernadette's</b>
<b>Other £448</b>	<b>Other £229</b>
<b>GAD £343</b>	<b>GAD £180</b>

**Have you considered signing up for Gift Aid? It's possible to increase the value of the donation by an extra 25%. Contact Fr McGinley if you're interested.**

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Mass times in both parishes are as normal throughout the week.**

**MON. 20 MARCH St Joseph**

**WED. 22**

Holy Hour 7 pm (St T)

**FRI. 24**

Stations of the Cross  
(with School) 11.45 am (St T)

**SUN 26 Laetare Sunday**

***There will be a special collection today for the work of SCIAF (see notice)***

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**INTENTIONS**

**Those sick at home or hospital**

Caroline Boyle & all the sick and housebound of the Parish

**Those who have died recently**

Maureen McCallum, Doralice Trapletti, Noreen & John Sloan, Neil Dougan, Ina Shields, John Fitzsimmons, Cathie McArthur & Jean Minto

**Anniversaries**

Joseph McGowan, Jimmy Marshall, Harry McLuskey Jnr, Roger McGraw (3rd), Ellen McCann, Peter O'Hare, Nancy Mulligan (1st)

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