

**Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time (Year B)**

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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

Crib

Our Crib will come down on Friday 2 February after 10 am morning Mass. If people can help with this Fr Neil would be most grateful.

First Reconciliation

A letter has been distributed to all children preparing for their First Reconciliation this year from St Thomas's Primary and those St Timothy's pupils who belong to and attend Mass at St Bernadette's. If you weren't able to attend the meeting last week please arrange an appointment with Fr Neil and bring the child's baptism certificate to the meeting. If your child needs to be baptised please arrange this with Fr Neil as soon as possible.

Education Sunday

This week is Catholic Education week and, at its close next Sunday there will be a special collection for the work of the Catholic Education Service.

During this week we are asked to reflect on how we are 'Serving the Common Good' in our homes, schools and parishes. As Archbishop Tartaglia writes in his letter on the occasion of Education Sunday: 'Jesus' disciples are constant-

ly challenged to become more and more like their master. It is not difficult to conclude ... that like the master, their words and actions need to be consistent. This is what makes teaching authentic; it must be what makes Catholic Education authentic: that its practices must fully reflect its words and vice versa.... [T]his year's theme [is] 'Serving the Common Good'. We should recognise that this is done in actions which are underpinned by the Word of God (which must be the word we speak), and in words which are made authentic in our actions which make the word authentic - 'a teaching which is new, and with authority behind it' (Mark 1:27).

SCIAF Boxes & Crib offerings

The SCIAF boxes will be made available next week. Could you now hand in your Crib Offering boxes and we will send your donations to the St Margaret Adoption Society.

Rev. Vincent Toal

Deacon Vincent Toal, currently serving in St Joseph's Tollcross and an erstwhile parishioner of St Thomas's will be ordained to the Priesthood at 6.30pm on Monday 19 March in St Andrew's Cathedral. Please pray for him.

Mass Intention Envelopes

Could the names of Intentions please be printed in block capital let-

ters as there's been a few cases where we haven't been able to read the Intention. Thank you.

Lourdes Fund Committee

I'd like to meet with this group on Tuesday 6 February in St Thomas's church house, in order to find out what they do and to support the great work they have been doing over the years. I would like to discuss how we send people to Lourdes this year and I invite the parishioners to make recommendations and suggestions for people who have never been to Lourdes before and would love the opportunity to go.

Beetle Drive

There will be a Beetle Drive on Tuesday 13 February (Pancake Tuesday) in the Gathering Area of St Bernadette's at 7 pm. Tickets £3 (Tea/Coffee/Raffle) will be on sale next weekend.

SPRED

You are invited to an open evening at the SPRED Centre, 20 Robroyston Road, Glasgow G33 1EQ. We are always in need of new volunteers and drivers in our local groups. We don't ask much, just an open heart and a willingness to be a friend in faith to someone who needs your help to take part in the life of the Church. Contact us on 0141 770 5055 or email glasgow.spred@btconnect.com.

Mass of Our Celtic Roots

Those of you with Celtic Roots, celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Celtic Connections Festival on Sunday 28 January at 4 pm in St Aloysius's in Garnethill. All are welcome. Mass will be followed by refreshments.

20-40 Network Events

Aged 20-40? Would you like to meet some fellow young Catholics? 'Networking at the Museum' is on 20th January at Kelvingrove Museum, 2pm-4pm. 'The Quiztastic Quiz of the Year' is on 3rd February in the function room of Blackfriar's bar in the Merchant City, 1pm-5pm. Just email 2040network@gmail.com to buy a ticket

Extraordinary Ministers

If you are over 18 and feel you would be able to assist in this Ministry of Care or you know someone who you think would be ideal in this Ministry, please make yourself known to me.

AGAP Film & Faith Club

Will meet at 1pm for a Matinee and also at 7pm on Thursday 1 February at St Mungo's Retreat House, next to St Mungo's Church, in Townhead (52 Parson Street, G4 0RX). This month's film is 'Fireproof' (2008) Cert PG. New members are always welcome. To book, visit www.agap.org.uk and click on Events or Telephone 0141 552 5527.

Beware Bogus Phone Calls

Phone calls claiming to be from Inland Revenue using menacing and threatening language demanding £500. The Police have been informed.

Annual St Brigid's Night Céilidh

On Saturday 3rd February 2018. Organised by Conradh na Gaeilge (The Gaelic League). Venue: Christ the King Church Hall, 220 Carmunnock Rd, G44 5AP. Time: 7.30pm - 11.30. // Tickets: £7 (u12s free). Tickets available on the Door or call 07866453708. Music by 'Ceol na hÉireann' Céili band, plus singing in Irish & English. There will be a 'blessing of the rushes' by a local priest and the making of St Brigid's Crosses. Full Bar / Tea & Coffee & biscuits will be serve

Lectio Divina Dramatica

A new initiative from AGAP to encourage reflection on God's Word in Sacred Scripture. The next meeting will be Tuesday 6 February at 7.30pm at St Mungo's Retreat, G4 0RX. To book: www.agap.org.uk and click on Events or Telephone 0141 552 5527

Inspire Evening

A café-style event that brings together live music, poetry, spoken word, visual artists and more. BYOB. Tickets £5. Friday 2nd March at 7.30pm. To book: www.eventbrite.co.uk or email info@agap.org.uk. Tel: 0141-552-5527

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 28 Third Sunday of the Year

Mass Intention: The Parish

Monday 29

Mass Intention: Isa McAlinden RIP

Tuesday 30

Mass Intention: Pat Murray RIP

Wednesday 31 St John Bosco

Mass Intention: Anne Baillie

St John was an Italian priest, educator and writer (1815–1888). While working in Turin, where the population suffered many of the effects of industrialization and urbanization, he dedicated his life to the betterment and education of street children, juvenile delinquents, and other disadvantaged youth. He developed teaching methods based on love rather than punishment. Patron saint of publishers, schoolchildren, magicians and juvenile delinquents.

Thursday 1 February

Mass Intention: Ellen Hamill RIP

Friday 2 Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)

Mass Intention: Special Intention
Mary and Joseph, in accordance with Mosaic law, took the tiny Jesus to the temple of Jerusalem to offer him to the Lord. Simeon and Anna, inspired by God, recognized that Child as the long-awaited Messiah and prophesied about him. We are in the presence of a mystery, both

PARISH DONATIONS

20.01–21.01.2017

St Thomas's
£958

St Bernadette's
£459

simple and solemn, in which Holy Church celebrates Christ, the Anointed One of the Father, the firstborn of the new humanity.

Saturday 3

Vigil Mass Intention: Special Intention

Sunday 4 Fifth Sunday of the Year

Mass Intention: The Parish

Appointment Times

If you require an appointment with Father Neil please contact the parish secretary on 0141 770 7542 or email him on:
parishpriest@st-thomastheapostle.co.uk

Baptisms

Anyone requiring Baptism please contact Fr McGarrity, 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 McGarrity if you intend to marry in the Church. The Archdiocese requires 6 months notice.

INTENTIONS

Those sick at home or hospital

Anne Baillie and all the sick & housebound of both Parishes.

Recently Dead

Pat Murray, Ellen Hamill, Isa McAlinden

Anniversaries

Sarah Hall, Jack Hall, May Hall, Joe McGowan (1st), Charlie Elvin (10th)
