

ing in around the Archdiocese in the coming months.

| 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.

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Appointment Times

If you require an appointment with Father Neil please contact the parish secretary on 0141 770 7542 or email on ppsaintthomas@gmail.com.

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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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 widowhood. 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 rsm2524@yahoo.co.uk Completed applications must be returned by Friday 22 September 2017.

Aid to the Church in Need

'It takes Courage and Faith to be a Christian in the Middle East'

An evening of witness, prayer and reflection for the Persecuted Church Aid to the Church in Need would like to invite all parishioners to our annual Scottish Event.

Guests Speakers: Archbishop Isam John Darwish, Lebanon John Pontifex, ACN's Head of Press and Information UK. For full event details, please visit acnuk.org/events/

Venue: Turnbull Hall, Glasgow University Catholic Chaplaincy, G12 8LG. Date: Monday 9 October 2017. Time: 7-9 pm. Entrance is free, there will be a retiring collection and Trading items for sale.

ST BERNADETTE'S NOTICES

Foodbank

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

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 & 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. 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 for more information or call 0141 332 8371.

Mass Offering Envelope

Whenever the Eucharist is celebrated, it embraces the entire human family, both living and dead. It is not limited to one person or one intention. The benefits of each Eucharist are infinite and include the whole world. Nevertheless, as Catholics, we believe that there is inestimable value in 'having a Mass said' for a particular intention. This refers to holding up to the Lord a special intention in addition to the intentions that are included in the celebration of every Eucharist: the Holy Father, the Diocesan Bishop, the clergy and 'the entire people your Son has gained for you'.

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving; for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. When we face the death of someone, even a person who is not Catholic, to have a Mass offered for the repose of their soul and to offer our prayer are more beneficial and comforting than any other sympathy card or bouquet of flowers. To have a Mass offered on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special need is appropriate, bene-

ficial and appreciated. Often people request a Mass as a prayer of thanksgiving to God for their experience of God's loving grace helping them through a particularly challenging event or circumstance of life.

If you do wish to have a Mass offered, Mass Offering envelopes are now available at the back of the Church or Gathering Area or on request from the Sacristy.

THE WEEK AHEAD

WED 27 St Vincent de Paul

'Charity is the cement which binds communities to God and persons to one another' St Vincent de Paul

A Priest, he lived from 1580-1660 and committed himself to the care of the disadvantaged and the oppressed. He founded the Congregation of the Mission (the Vincentians) and the Daughters of Charity (1633), who were the first sisters to work outside their convents in active service.

Mass with School
(led by Primary 6b) 10 am

PARISH DONATIONS	
16 & 17 September 2017	
St Thomas's	St Bernadette's
Other £409	Other £185
GAD £411	GAD £125

FRI 29 The Holy Archangels

Previously the Feastday of St Michael, today we now celebrate St Michael, St Gabriel and St Raphael together; the Holy Archangels. St Gabriel brought the message to Mary at the Annunciation (Luke 1:26-38), St Raphael was guide to Tobias (Tobit 5:4) and St Michael has long been venerated as protector of Christians in general and soldiers in particular.

SAT 30 St Jerome

Priest and Doctor of the Church, lived from around 347-420. He was secretary to Pope St Damasus I and was tasked with translating the Bible into Latin, a translation now known as the *Vulgate*. Later in life he moved to Bethlehem and wrote commentaries on Scripture.

INTENTIONS

Those sick at home or hospital

Kathleen McCabe & all the sick and housebound of both Parishes

Anniversaries

Margaret Livingston, Richard Taylor, Maria Christina Taylor, Edward Devine, Jean Cairns, Gertrude & Thomas McGinness



Birthday Mass Bouquet

Sandra Peden (75 years)