

**Thirty-Second Sunday
of the Year (Year A)**

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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

The Captain's Table

It's been a very busy week. We had a very beautiful Forty hours. Sincere thanks to all who prepared the Church; sold the candles; kept Jesus company; replaced the flowers and tidied up afterwards. I would also like to thank Alec and Janette for preparing the hall for the Anointing of the Sick. They also arranged a cup of tea afterwards with the help of the Mini Vinnies from St Thomas's primary school who also helped serve the tea with some of their teachers who very kindly made time to be with us.

Confirmations

Please remember in your prayers the children of St Thomas and Our Lady of Peace primary schools as we welcome Archbishop Tartaglia who will confirm the Primary 7 classes on Monday night here in St Thomas's. I am very grateful to Mark O'Neill and the East End Deanery choir who will be supporting the liturgy with their music. I am sure that they will make the children centre stage.

Health & Safety

We have been asked to undertake a Health & Safety assessment on all

our buildings and practices, we are required to do this by law, there are a number of issues that we will have to deal with in the next year or two. Consafe10 Consultancy have given us a Property Condition Report, free of charge, this is usually £500. For the most part we are in pretty good shape, however there are significant areas which need attention. They have recommended a program of works to be completed over the next five years. There is a copy of the report available at the back of the Church.

Church house

We are required to fit a new door in the ground floor of the Presbytery. The existing door is neither air tight nor water tight and is a concern on a number of levels.

Hall

I have asked an electrical engineer to move the heating control panels which are currently on the walls of both halls and relocate them to the boiler room which will have a new lock and access point. I also plan to put a door that will separate the large hall and small hall. This will enable us to create two places where people can meet separately and in privacy and also prevent any potential miss-use. I am also currently working on new guidelines for the hiring of both halls that will specifically clarify what the hire covers

and what it doesn't cover. Hopefully this will allow the hall to be used more efficiently and effectively. This will also mean that each Hall will be hired at a specific hourly rate.

Lighting

You may have noticed the improved lighting around the Hall. We recently changed the sodium lighting around the Hall to LED lights. The running cost for the new lights is £47 per annum. The previous lights were over £300. In the long term I would like to change all the lighting to LED in the Church, the Hall and eventually the house. This will literally save us thousands.

Church Safety

Can I suggest that we close the church after weekday Masses until we have CCTV fitted? There has been two churches broken into recently in Glasgow, both of which have been left open during the day (until now...) I am anxious that we are an accident waiting to happen. However, if you are uncomfortable with this idea, let me know and we will leave it alone. But I do worry that the church is vulnerable.

Christmas Masses

I am aware that last week was the 40 Hours and I never got your feedback on the earlier Mass suggestion. I will be around after Mass this weekend for your thoughts.

ST BERNADETTE'S NOTICES

From the Captain –

Reigart Industrial Engineers have given us a quote for the removal of the asbestos, the pumping out of the water and tanking of the basement for £20,000. First of all we don't have £20,000 and secondly it's a ridiculous price. Once the water has been pumped out and the slugs and bugs removed and the industrial dehumidifiers have done their job, the walls will be treated with a fungicide and other cleansing potions. Our much cheaper option will then be to brick up the basement. This will cost around £5000 and will include the gutters, the repairing of the roughcasting and one or two other minor jobs (this work will be carried out by a local contractor who happens to be a parishioner).

ConSafe10 consultancy are in the process of creating a plan of works that will enable us to move forward with a plan of action for the next five years. Once their findings are completed, I will leave a copy at the back of the Church. This consultancy normally costs around £500, we will have it for free.

Confirmations

The children being presented on Monday night for Confirmation are: Christopher Connelly, Thomas Do-

cherty, Aimee Guthrie, Cathal Heaney, Kaylin Winchester.

Mass for the Bereaved

We had a very beautiful Mass for the Bereaved of the parish and many thanks to those who helped.

Christmas Fair

Please stay after Mass on Sunday 26th November for our Christmas Fair. The proceeds will go into the parish funds. There will be a tearoom, bottle stall and gifts. Raffle tickets will also be on sale over the next few Sundays and hopefully drawn at the Fair.

Kenyan Project

£260 was raised at the Quiz/Fish Supper night. Many thanks for your support.

Carntyne Parish Church Guild (formerly High Carntyne)

The Guild is having an Open Afternoon next Thursday 16 November at 2.00 pm and have sent an invitation to our ladies to attend. Please give your name TODAY to any of the ladies in the stall.

St. Bernadette's SSVF

The St Bernadette's St Vincent de Paul invite you to Christmas Lunch in the Gathering Area on Tuesday 28 November at 12.30pm. Please put your name on the list in the Gathering area if you would like to come.

Special Collection

There is a special collection today for the Archdiocese’s Assisted Parishes scheme which helps poorer parishes in the Archdiocese. The next Archdiocesan Special Collection is for Caring Sunday on 17 December.

Mass in Honour of St Margaret of Scotland

There will be a Solemn Mass on Thursday 16 November at St Andrew’s Cathedral at 7.00 pm for the

THE WEEK AHEAD

For the month of November all Mass Intentions are for the deceased in your November lists.

Sunday 12 32nd Sunday

Monday 13

Confirmations at St Thomas’s7.00 pm

Tuesday 14

Wednesday 15

Reception & Requiem Mass

for Mary Conway 9.00 am (St B)

Thursday 16 St Margaret of Scotland

Mass with Children

(led by Primary 5a).....10.00 am (St T)

Friday 17 St Elizabeth of Hungary

Reception & Requiem Mass

for Robert McFall 9.00 am (St B)

Sunday 19 33rd Sunday of the Year

Feast of St Margaret of Scotland, celebrated by Archbishop Conti. There will be a reception in Eyre Hall afterwards. All welcome.

Knights of St Columba Annual Mass for Deceased Members

The Knights of St Columba’s annual Mass for their Deceased Members is on Sunday 19 November at 11.00am in St Columba’s Church, 74 Hopehill Rd. All welcome.



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

All the sick & housebound of both parishes

Recently Dead

Rosa Kennedy, Sadie Gibson, Mary Conway, Robert McFall

PARISH DONATIONS

04.10–05.10.2017

**St Thomas’s
£1431**

**St Bernadette’s
£583**