

## Parish Finance

**First Collection last weekend** - £372  
**Second Collection for Justice & Peace Commission** - £271

**Christmas Quarterly Collection** - £20  
(total - £214) .....

**Christmas Quarterly Collection is now due**

**Crib Donations** (in aid of St. Margaret's Society) - £21 (total - £207)

**Donation to SCIAF** - £100

## Parish News

**R.C.I.A.:** Next meeting - Monday 23rd January at 7 p.m. in parish house.

### On Duty during Masses weekend 21-22 January:

**Readers:**

Sat Vigil - S. Uzor  
Sunday - K. Holmes

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

Sat. Vigil - S. Meany; D. Colgan  
Sunday - J. McDonald; A.M. Rankin

**First Communion and First Confession Candidates** are reminded to bring their Passport and Prayer Card to Sunday Mass Children's Liturgy Group.

**Month's Mind Mass** for the late Fr. James Naughton will take place in St. Athanasius, Carluke, on Thu 19th January at 7 p.m. All welcome.

**First Anniversary Mass** for the late Canon Eddie Glackin will take place in St. Columba's, Viewpark, on Wed. 18th Jan. at 7 p.m. All welcome.

### St. Mary's Primary - Registration

**for School:** Children who will be 5 years old between 1st Mar 2017 and 28 Feb. 2018, should be registered for school during week commencing Monday 16 January 2017 at the following times:

Monday 16th - 1.30 - 4.00 pm

Tuesday 17th - 9 am - 12 noon

Wed 18th - 1.30 - 4.00 pm

Thu 19th - 9 am - 12 noon

Fri 20th - 1.30 - 4.00 pm.

Please bring Birth Certificate, Council Tax Bill as proof of address and Baptismal Certificate if applicable.

### Marriage Preparation Guidance

**Courses 2017** commence on

21 and 28 January in St. Mary's Hamilton

18 and 25 Feb in St. Mary's Coatbridge

18 & 25 March in St. Mary's Coatbridge

and 2 and 9 September in St. Mary's Hamilton.

Any couples planning marriage next year should first of all see Canon Dunnachie.

### Sr. Ann McAllister (FMSA) Kenya:

Copies of Sr. Ann's latest letter are at the back of the Church. In it she tells us how her various projects are progressing and it is very interesting to see how she manages to eke out the funds we send her together with those received from her own parish in Rutherglen and her friends in Cumbernauld. Please uplift a copy and see the photos she sent which are posted in the church porch.

### Integral Human Development

(based in Vatican City) - are celebrating their 103rd World Day for **Migrants & Refugee Section** on 15th Jan. They can be followed on <https://twitter.com/MRsection> or <https://www.facebook.com/MandRSection/> You are invited to follow them on line and to share messages with friends and co-workers.



### Senior Citizens Festive Dinner

There are lists at the back of the church for the Christmas Dinner which will take place on Friday 27th Jan 2017 in the Marian Hall at 6.30 p.m. This is open to parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Bernard's who are 65 years and above.

### Ten Guidelines from God (contd)

**3. Trust Me:** Once you've given your burdens to Me, quit trying to take them back. Trust in Me. Have the faith that I will take care of all your needs, your problems and your trials. Problems with the kids? Put them on My list. Problem with finances? Put it on My list. Problem with your emotional roller coaster? For My sake, put it on My list. I want to help you. All you have to do is ask.

**4. Leave it Alone:** Don't wake up one morning and say "Well, I'm feeling much stronger now, I think I can handle it from here." Why do you think you are feeling stronger now? It's simple. You gave Me your burdens and I'm taking care of them. I also renew your strength and cover you in my peace. Don't you know that if I give you these problems back, you will be right back where you started? Leave them with Me and forget about them. Just let Me do my job. .... to be continued

## Parish Activities

**Baptism Course** is held on the first Tue of month (7th Feb.) - in parish house

**Parish Bingo** in the hall every Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. Pass the word to your friends!

**Wednesday Cafe** in the hall on Wednesdays after 10 am Mass. Tea/Coffee, Toast, Raffle!

**Novena to St. Peregrine** (Patron Saint of Cancer Sufferers) here in St. Mary's every last Thursday of the month 926th Jan) at 7.30 p.m.

**Calling Times** - There will be none until Thu 19th January.

**Saturday Breakfast Club** in the hall after 10 a.m. Mass. Call round for bacon/sausage roll, tea or coffee.

**Hall Bookings:** Tel: 01236 600560 or 01236 435252 (for all your family group celebrations/functions)

**Foodbank: Big Thank-you** for your very generous on-going donations of food .

**Recycling:** If you have any old spectacles we will be happy to pass these on for use in third world countries.

**Sponsored Lamp/Remembrance Book Application Forms** are available at the back of the church .

To help with our collections, I would like to ask all those who pay Income Tax to join our Gift Aid Scheme, as this will give the parish an extra 25p for every £ donated. This is much needed funds we are missing out on. Thank you for your continued support.