



# Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi



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24<sup>th</sup> December 2006

Fourth Sunday of Advent

## QUICK NEWS

### • Offertory collection 17<sup>th</sup> December:

Loose cash & envelopes  
£554.31

St'g Orders £550.00

**Total: £1104.31**

Thank you very much  
for your kind donations.

### Fr. Terry's charity:

"With promises of more  
money still to come plus  
some Gift Aid, I am  
confident that you will  
have raised over

**£4,500**

last weekend for street  
children. Our **Cubs** also  
raised **£146** through a  
garage sale. Thank you  
seems an inadequate way  
of expressing my  
heartfelt appreciation of  
your wonderful generosity  
but I know no other  
words."

David Holland

Our **White Flower**  
collection for the **SPUC**

will be on Sunday  
**7<sup>th</sup> January 2007**

**Next newsletter** will be  
printed for masses on  
**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2007**

### **SUNDAY MASS TIMES** in our Pastoral Area:

- ♦ **St. John Bosco:** Sat.  
6.30pm, Sun. 10am.
- ♦ **Christ the King:** Sat.  
6.30pm, Sun. 10am.
- ♦ **St. Thomas More:** Sat.  
6.30pm, Sun. 10.30am.
- ♦ **Our Lady of Peace,**  
Wargrave: Sun. 9am.



## Thank you and Merry Christmas

I have only spent a few days here in the parish yet am lacking in the right words to appreciate your love, warmth, generosity and openness.

Your kind words to me have been my strength.

Though home is thousands of miles away, I am very close with you all around me.

I miss home but am glad to have you as my parents, brothers and sisters.

Thank you is all I can say for now.

Wishing you **real peace, real love, real joy** at Christmas and always.

God Bless,

Fr. Anthony



*May the birth of our Saviour renew in us our happiness in one another,  
our joy in the Lord, and our readiness to always sing his praises*



### OUR CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

Christmas Eve: Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. Children's Mass **6pm**;  
**Midnight Mass** (preceded by carols from 11.30pm)

Christmas Day: **9.00am** and **11.00am**



### Christmas collections:

Please remember that the Christmas collections (unlike the normal Sunday ones) go directly to our Parish Priest. Please show your appreciation for Father Anthony by your generosity. Thank you



**Advent Giving Tree** - Many thanks to all parishioners for the many lovely wrapped gifts we received. These were all passed on to Reading Age Concern. Thank you!

**Christmas Masses** - thank you to all who volunteered to help with welcoming, offertory, reading, Eucharistic Ministry and Sacristan duties for our Christmas masses. All slots have now been allocated; see posters for details. Thank you!

**Would you like to help with READING or EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY at any of our Sunday masses?** - we need more readers to add to our usual rotas, & we need more Eucharistic Ministers too, for all Sunday masses. Please contact Parish Office if you would like to help with any of these ministries. Many thanks in advance

MASS READINGS: **Cycle C.**

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent: **1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Micah 5: 1-4 **Responsorial Psalm:** Ps. 79  
"God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved"

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Hebrews 10: 5-10 **Gospel:** **Luke 1: 39-45**


Holy Family: **1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Ecclesiasticus 3: 2-6, 12-14 **Resp. Psalm:** Ps. 127  
"O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!"

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Colossians 3: 12-21 **Gospel:** **Luke 2: 41-52**



# MASS TIMES: 24<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER - 7<sup>th</sup> JANUARY



DATE	MASS TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTIONS	PARISH DIARY
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> December 	9.00am 11.00am <b>6.00pm</b> <b>12.00pm</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent	Pauline Buckley Ronald Evans RIP (3 <sup>rd</sup> anniv.) <b>Family &amp; friends of parish</b> <b>Family &amp; friends of parish</b>	<b>Children's Christmas Mass</b> <b>Midnight Mass</b> , preceded by carols at 11.30pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>9.00am</b> <b>11.00am</b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>	<b>Family &amp; friends of parish</b> <b>Family &amp; friends of parish</b>	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED!
Tues. 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b><u>NO MASS</u></b>	St. Stephen		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED!
Weds. 27 <sup>th</sup> December	<b><u>7.20pm</u></b>	St. John the Apostle	Donald Wignall RIP	<b>Rosary followed by Mass</b> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED!
Thurs. 28 <sup>th</sup> December	9.45am	The Holy Innocents		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED!
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> December	<b><u>NO MASS</u></b>			PARISH OFFICE CLOSED!
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> December	9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Holy Family	Joy Sellen RIP (Foundation mass) Luigi Fiorentini RIP Sean Jordan RIP	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan. 2007	<b><u>12.00 noon</u></b>	Mary, Mother of God	Arthur Pearl RIP (Foundation mass)	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED!
Tues. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b><u>NO MASS</u></b>			PARISH OFFICE CLOSED!
Weds. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b><u>7.20pm</u></b>	St. Genevieve	Wladyslaw Polanski RIP	<b>Rosary followed by Mass</b> <b>8.00pm</b> Choir practice for 11am mass
Thurs. 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am	St. Elizabeth		
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am			
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	The Epiphany	Mr. R. F. Moniz RIP	

**\*\*\* NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY DURING CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS - back in January! \*\*\***

**\*\*\* NO BEAVERS/CUBS/SCOUTS DURING CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS - back in January! \*\*\***

**Please keep in your prayers all those whose anniversaries occur about this time:**

Muriel Bowman-Smith (1976), Pauline Thackram (2001), Donald Wignall (1996), Anthony Lesner (1999), Mary Kayley (1982), Joy Sellen (1993), Zena Pringle (1997), David Botherel (1992), Sarah Doherty (1979), Brian Sheldon (1997), Cis Byrne (1999), Arthur Pearl (1976), Robert Scott (1989), Kathleen Ronney (2001), and Wally Kulan (2001).

**Christmas message from Bishop Crispian:** "I pray that this special Christmas blessing will be there for us all at this time and that all will feel welcome, respected, cherished and loved. I wish you all a very happy and blessed Christmas. May God bless you all." †Crispian

**Diocesan Year Book 2007** - copies now available in Advent Room, **£3.50** per copy. Please leave money in basket

**Reminder:** The Epiphany of the Lord is celebrated on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January and is a **Holy Day of Obligation**

**The Coordinating Pastor for our Pastoral Area is Fr. Gerard Flynn (Christ the King).  
Monsignor John Nelson (English Martyrs) is the Co-ordinating Pastor for our neighbouring PA.**



The Parish Office is now **CLOSED** until 3<sup>rd</sup> January -  
**Have a very happy Christmas, and thank you for all the cards & kind wishes!**

