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27th January 2008

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

• Offertory collection 20th January:

Envelopes/cash £636.70

Standing Orders £530.00

Total: £1166.70

• Second collection for the **Catholic Education Service** raised **£325.17**

Thank you for your
kind donations

• Second collection NEXT Sunday, 3rd February for **Catholic Children's Society.**

Please take a Gift Aid
envelope today and
bring it back next week!

1st Holy Communion 2008

- next PARENTS' MEETING
is this Tuesday 29th January
at **8pm** (postponed from
22nd Jan.). Next children's
session is NEXT SUNDAY,
3rd February at 2.30pm!



My Day by Day -
the **LENT edition** of
this guide to Mass
readings is now
available in Advent
Room, to aid your journey
of prayer through Lent.
Only **£1** per copy.

Please leave money in basket

★ **Diocesan Year
Book 2008** - copies
available in Advent Room;
has addresses & numbers of
all churches & Mass times
in our Diocese -
£3.50 per copy. Please
leave money in basket

Reminder: Mass intentions
PLEASE follow instructions
on the front of the 2008
Mass intentions diary, and
**PLEASE only use
1 intention per Mass!**

CONFESSION: available on
request (in confessional).
Please contact Parish Office
to request a suitable time

ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT IN CHRIST

In the words of St. Paul, "it is clear that there are serious differences among you". Isn't it the case that we feel more comfortable in the company of those we are familiar with - our families and close friends? This is a natural inclination but we should try to discourage it in order to become part of the body of Christ, or else unknown to us we are already creating moulds that we fit into, and the mould that fits us may become our source of happiness. If it is taken away, we become empty and then find no meaning to life. We must break away from this sort of attitude and venture into new friendships, relationships that build the community, the body of Christ - and potentially meet new people and have new insights.

United we stand, divided we fall - unity helps to build strength in the community. If we are one in body and spirit with Christ, then we are united in our belief and practice. Through the building up of the one body in Christ, we are strengthened to preach the good news to the world without fear, because we can then appreciate our freedom.

Lord make us one body and one spirit, united in your service.

Father Anthony

Father, direct your love that is within us that our efforts may bring mankind to unity and peace

We welcome to our parish community **Emma Marie Musulanov & Lucia Hammond** as we celebrate their baptisms today at 9am and 11am Masses respectively!

★ **Ash Wednesday this year is 6th February - only 10 days away!**

Home Groups: Many of you have expressed an interest in praying together in Home Groups. A meeting will be held TOMORROW, Monday 28th Jan. at **7.45pm** in **Dominic Barberi Room**, to discuss how to start. Guidance will be given on this matter by James Harrison from St. Joseph's parish, Guildford. All are invited to come even if you have not expressed an interest before and would like to know more. If you can attend, **PLEASE ENTER VIA SIDE DOOR, not Advent Room** - thank you

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: Next Sunday 3rd February, the Annual Collection for the Catholic Children's Society will take place. The Society provides care for some of the most vulnerable children and young people in our community. Their work includes providing subsidised Breakfast & Homework Clubs and Pre-school Care; Counselling for children experiencing stress & exclusion; Adoption, Post-Adoption & Fostering placement & support; Residential Care for young people with special needs; and Catechetical Programmes for children & young people with disabilities. *The Society relies on the generosity and good will of the Catholic community to continue its work in our diocese.* Please give what you can to help give the next generation the chance they deserve



Marriage Preparation 2008: dates for our parish Marriage Preparation sessions are Saturday 23rd February 11am-4pm, Wednesday 27th February 8pm-9.30pm, and Wednesday 5th March 8pm-9.30pm.

We hope all couples getting married here this year have these dates booked!

Lent Reconciliation Services: As usual, parishes in our Pastoral Area will be offering Lent penitential services, with local priests available for 1:1 confession:

Thursday 13th March, 7.30pm

Tuesday 18th March, 7.30pm

Wed. 19th March, 7.30pm

St. John Bosco, Woodley

Christ the King, Whitley

Our Lady of Peace & Bl. D. Barberi

★ **Lost property:** please check our Lost Property box (now in Advent Room) for any items you may have lost recently - several umbrellas, scarves, etc. - before they are taken to a charity shop!

MASS TIMES: 27th JANUARY - 3rd FEBRUARY 2008

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sunday 27 th January	9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Third Sunday Ordinary Time	Regina & Zbigniew Zaboklicki RIP John O'Sullivan Anthony Comerford RIP	Baptism of <u>Emma Marie Musulanov</u> Baptism of <u>Lucia Hammond</u>
Monday 28 th January	NO MASS	St. Thomas Aquinas		7pm: <u>Reception of coffin in to church</u> 7.45pm: Home Groups mtg. (DB Room)
Tuesday 29 th January	2.00pm		Funeral Mass for Eileen Teresa Herbert John Kerfoot RIP (rec. dec.)	8pm: 1 st Holy Communion parents' mtg. (Carl Barton Room)
Wed. 30 th	9.45am	St. Aidan	William Norris RIP (anniv.)	8pm: Choir practice for 11am Mass
Thurs. 31 st	9.45am	St. John Bosco	Mrs. E. Frith - thanksgiving	
Fri. 1 st Feb.	9.45am	St. Brigid	J & V Gunasekera - thanksgiving	2.45pm: Fr. Anthony at St. Dominic's
Sat. 2 nd	NO MASS	Presentation of the Lord		
Sunday 3 rd February	9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time	Clements & Hardy families (Foundation Mass) Harry Norris RIP Basil Majdan RIP	2.30pm: 1 st HC children's session (Hall)

*** CHILDREN'S LITURGY during 9am and 11am Masses each week ***

*** CUBS Mondays 6.45pm / BEAVERS Thursdays 5.45pm / SCOUTS Fridays 8pm, each week ***

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



Paul McMenamin (2001), Joseph Haughton (1973), Edith Cameron (1979), Mary Tompkins (2001),
Sue Rose (2001), Joseph Fernando (1984), and Elizabeth Ballard (1986).



Recently departed: please remember in your prayers **Kathleen McGuire** who passed away recently.
The funeral for Kathleen will be held here on Monday 4th February at 11am.

We pray that Kathleen may rest in peace. Amen

St. Dominic Savio Catholic Primary School requires a **Learning Support Assistant** to work with a pupil with Special Needs. Temporary contract until 4th April 2008, but may be extended.
Closing Date: 28th Jan. Interviews: 30th Jan.
See posters in Advent Room/outside D.B. Room for more details and information on how to apply

St. Joseph's Convent School has an **open morning** for prospective parents and pupils on Tuesday 29th January from 9.15am-12.15pm for both Preparatory and Senior Departments (ages 3 to 18). No appointment necessary - simply drop in! Further details can be found at www.st-josephs.reading.sch.uk or call 0118 966 1000.
See poster and leaflets in Advent Room

Blessed Hugh Faringdon School
Has a vacancy for a
Part-time Teacher of Science.
Please contact the school for application form and details.
Closing date: Friday 1st February.
See yellow poster in Advent Room

Reading Churches Men's Group - next **Men's Breakfast** is at Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning, on Saturday 9th February, 8.15am. Includes Noel Fellowes speaking on "Truth on Trial". Cost: £7 per head. **To book** please contact John Broady on 0118 954 3879 **by Tuesday 5th February!**
See pink poster & yellow slips in Advent Room

Emergency contact numbers for Ministry of a priest in Pastoral Area:

Fr. Anthony Ikhenoba
0118 966 3711,
Fr. Chris Whelan
0118 969 3423,
Fr. Bruce Barnes
0118 931 4469,
Fr. Vincent Flanagan
0118 934 0854.

Please call your own Parish Priest first, but if an emergency arises and your own priest is unavailable, please try one of our other Pastoral Area priests on the numbers above

Woodley Jumbulance Group has booked to go to **Lourdes** from September 27th - October 4th 2008, travel by Jumbulance & staying in a 4* hotel. We have vacancies for unable, for volunteer nurses and helpers, preferably male. Anyone who is interested or who would like more information please ring **John Gill:** 0118 9694769, or **Marie O'Gorman:** 0118 9691927

Job Vacancies, Reading Voluntary Action: see poster in Advent Room for details of 7 current job vacancies, and press release about their recent successful lottery bid!

🎵 **Grace Notes:** exploring themes of God's gracious love and our response; Sat. 9th Feb., 7.30pm, at Park URC. See yellow/pink posters

Thank you from SPUC! See letter (Advent Rm.) to thank us for White Flower appeal



Peace is when time doesn't matter as it passes by

The Parish Office is open this week Tuesday - Friday 9am - 2pm