



Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi



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17th February 2008

Second Sunday of Lent

• Offertory collection 10th February:

Envelopes/cash £604.98
Standing Orders £530.00

Total: £1134.98

Thank you for your very kind donations

• Second collection TODAY Sunday 17th February for

CAFOD Lent Fast Day which was on **Friday 15th February**. Please use the CAFOD envelopes to share what you can with the poorest communities worldwide. **Don't forget to fill in Gift Aid details if you are a taxpayer!**

Thank you

Our annual **Commissioning and Re-commissioning of all Eucharistic Ministers** will happen at Masses on **Sunday 9th March** - more details next week!

Learn more about Dominic Barberi!

We now have books to tell us more about our patron... The lovely small books are available in **Advent Room** for parishioners to buy - **£1.95 per copy**. Please leave money in basket

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

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.

Allow God to change you

Whenever we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, it is an experience of the transforming grace of God, where God reveals himself to us - like the transfiguration. The transfiguration for Peter was a great experience, thus he exclaimed, "It is good that we are here". It was for a purpose that God revealed his glory, so that Peter could understand what was ahead in terms of the suffering of Jesus, and what that meant for the whole world.

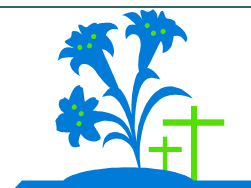
Like Peter, are we having doubts? Is our faith shaky? God wants you to see him in a new way. So allow him to reveal himself and change your way of thinking, which may be contrary to his ways and will.

If we allow God, he will change our attitude towards people and things and make us strong. Allow God to reveal himself to you.

Father Anthony

From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:

"This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him"



Home Group: Michael and Eileen Cafferty have very kindly offered to host the next home group meeting at their house on **Thursday 21st Feb.**, 7.45pm-9.30pm. All are welcome. For more information or to confirm attendance please call Mel Noronha on 0118 969 8595

Father Terry Burke will soon be back in this country for a short time and we will be delighted to welcome him to celebrate 2 Masses for us - he will say **11am Mass NEXT WEEK, Sun. 24th February, & 9am Mass on Sunday 2nd March** !

ROSARY before Mass: as of **Tuesday 4th March** the **Rosary** will be prayed before **morning Masses**, commencing at **9.15am** approx. The parish petitions which are on the altar will be remembered. As there are 4 Mass days each week we will offer Joyful Mysteries on Tuesdays, Glorious Mysteries on Wednesdays, Mysteries of Light on Thursdays & Sorrowful Mysteries on Fridays, thereby including all the Mysteries

★ Stations of the Cross - PLEASE NOTE CHANGES FOR FRIDAYS

Stations of the Cross will take place here at our church at **7.30pm on Fridays** and **4pm on Sundays** during Lent. All are welcome to these opportunities to pray together and follow Christ's journey. Please note that our **Friday Mass times will be 8pm in the evening on Fridays 22nd, 29th February and 7th March, i.e. NO morning Mass on these dates!** So Masses will be **in the evening after Stations of the Cross** on these days. If you would like to help with presentation of any sessions, please contact Melly Noronha on 0118 9698595. Thank you



Marriage Preparation 2008:

our parish Marriage Preparation sessions **START NEXT WEEK** - **Saturday 23rd February** 11am-4pm, **Wed. 27th February** 8pm-9.30pm, and **Wed. 5th March** 8pm-9.30pm.

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

★ **PARISH BAPTISMS!** Our next quarterly Parish Baptism Preparation Sessions will be held on **Tuesday 11th March & Tuesday 18th March**, each at **7.30pm** in the **D.B. Room**. If you wish to celebrate a baptism and have not yet completed a baptism form (available in Advent Room), please do so ASAP & return it to Parish Office!



MASS TIMES: 17th - 24th FEBRUARY 2008



DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sunday 17 th February	9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Second Sunday of Lent	Kathleen Dempsey (3 rd anniv.) Maria Arciaga RIP Deceased members of Aitken/Way families Frank & Lelia Biddle RIP	4pm: Stations of the Cross (Church)
Monday 18 th	NO MASS			8pm: SVP meeting (D. B. Room)
Tues. 19 th	9.45am		Holy Souls	
Wed. 20 th	9.45am		John Kelly RIP (recently dec.)	8pm: Choir practice for 9am Mass
Thurs. 21 st February	9.45am	St. Peter Damian	Harold Auch	7:30pm: Finance Grp. mtg. (p. office) 8pm: Liturgy Group mtg. (D. B. Room)
Friday 22 nd February	8.00pm	Chair of St. Peter, Apostle	Josephine Kulatunga RIP	7.30pm: Stations of the Cross (Church)
Sat. 23 rd	NO MASS	St. Polycarp	11am - 4pm: Marriage Preparation session 1 (D. B. Room) 12:30pm: Annual UCM Senior Citizens' lunch (Hall)	
Sunday 24 th February	9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Third Sunday of Lent	Rita Young RIP (Ann-Marie Paterson's mother) Christine Kinsella RIP (rec. dec.) Mary Battersby (anniv.)	<u>Celebrant:</u> Fr. Terry Burke 4pm: Stations of the Cross (Church)

***** NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY this week or next - HALF TERM! Back on 2nd March *****

***** NO CUBS / BEAVERS / SCOUTS this week - HALF TERM! *****

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

Robert Green (1991), Christopher Coles (1989), Lauren Savage (2002), Henry Ward (1988), Gisella Nottingham (1979), Gerard Conway (2005), Stanley Tompkins (1989), Frances Newman (1983), Gerald O'Sullivan (1992), Edgar Wheeler (1994), and Tadeusz Wielogorski (2006).

PLEASE HELP! Our parish annual **Senior Citizens' Dinner** will be held in our hall next **Saturday 23rd February**.

★ **We need helpers!** If you can help in any way - in the kitchen to help with food & washing up, or with the entertainment, or as **drivers** at 12:30pm and 4:00pm - then please ring Angela on 0118 987 3784.

Thank you in advance!

★★★ **Help our Pastoral Area friends!** ★★★

! Our neighbours at the parish of **Christ the King** are looking to appoint a **new Parish Secretary** to start as soon as possible. Please phone Christ the King on 0118 931 4469 to find out further details

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

Road closures - Reading Half Marathon takes place on Sunday 2nd March. See yellow sheets in Advent Room

Lent Reconciliation Services: As usual, local parishes will be offering Lent penitential services, each with

priests available for **1:1 confessions:** **Thursday 13th March, 7.30pm**

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Monday 17th March, 7.30pm

Tuesday 18th March, 7.30pm

Wed. 19th March, 7.30pm

St. John Bosco, Woodley

English Martyrs, Reading

St. Joseph's, Tilehurst

Christ the King, Whitley

Our Lady of Peace & Bl. D. Barberi

★★ **Looking forward to Easter...** ★★

- **Walk of Witness:** Good Friday, 21st March; meet at Forbury Gardens at 9.45am. Wear red and bring the same crosses as last year!

- **CTEER Easter Service:** start Easter Sunday the perfect way - in a garden to pray. Starts in Forbury Gardens at 8am - led by Tynedale Baptist church

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

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