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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

11th May 2008

Pentecost

• Offertory collection 4th May:

Envelopes £156.82
Loose cash £414.70
Standing Orders £584.50

Total: £1156.02

• Special collection for World Communications raised a total of **£249.38**

Thank you for your
very kind donations



**Reminder - 1st Holy
Communion
REHEARSAL** is
TODAY 11th May at

2.30pm here in Church.

Any prayer sponsors and/or
parish volunteers who wish
to attend the 1st HC Mass on
Saturday 17th May **PLEASE**
come to the rehearsal too!

The next **HOME GROUP
MEETING** is at Michael &
Eileen Cafferty's house on
Thursday 15th May at 7.45 -
9.30pm. All welcome.

For more info or to confirm
attendance please call Mel
Noronha on 0118 9698595

Do you like weddings? Want to help Fr. Anthony?

We need 2 volunteers to be
"Authorised Persons"

(registrars) for our parish to
help Fr. Anthony prepare for
each wedding. This will
involve helping with
paperwork & attending the
wedding itself to complete
the registers and marriage
certificate. The Authorised
Person receives payment for
each wedding. If you would
like to help with this please
contact Jane in the Parish
Office ASAP! Thank you



CONFESSIONS are
available on

**Friday evenings from
7pm - 7.30pm**

in the confessional

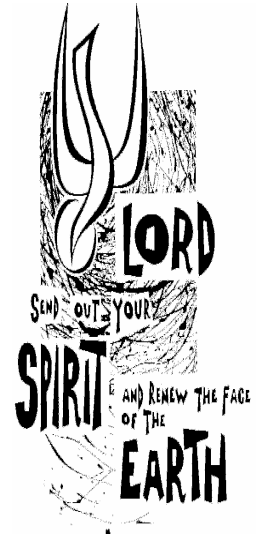
Different voices, one Holy Spirit

Today the Church celebrates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and the Church.

Are you faced with the challenge of making a difficult decision in life? It is not surprising because the world is full of so many voices and opinions; voices of scientists, naturalists etc., and on the other hand the voice of God through the Holy Spirit which gets drowned in these other enticing voices.

The Holy Spirit gives much more than any other because, among other things, it gives the gifts of discernment and direction. As Christians our success depends on how much we listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit. We then need to be very attentive as we pray on this day; come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people... Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Father Anthony



Father, let the Spirit you sent on your Church to begin the teaching of the Gospel continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe



International Mass TODAY! Pentecost Sunday 11th May:

Our parish will celebrate its annual International Mass at **11am today** to celebrate the diversity & many different cultures we have in our community.

11am Mass will be followed by an international lunch in Main Hall
- all are invited to join us!



Diocesan Tribunal: we currently have need of Catholics in the local area to assist the work of the tribunal. The work is occasional and consists of interviewing witnesses in nullity of marriage cases using supplied questionnaires. Tribunal workers offer their services voluntarily and take on no more than one case a month. Training and ongoing support is provided. Next training sessions at the tribunal office in Sandhurst: Thursday 19th June, 2-4pm & Thursday 3rd July, 7-9pm. For more information contact Fr. Dominic Golding on 01252 878789 or portsmouthtribunal@tiscali.co.uk See yellow poster in Advent Room

Human Fertilisation & Embryology Bill: latest news - the debate in House of Commons will be on **12th May** with votes on 19th & 20th May. **PLEASE PRAY** for right judgement and **PLEASE write to your MP** to ask him/her to vote AGAINST the bill.

Thank you from SPUC - John Smeaton, National Director of the SPUC, has recently written to Father Anthony: "It is wonderful to know that the unborn & their mothers were remembered in Holy Mass and that your parish would be praying for them. I would also like to thank you and your parishioners for the wonderful support you are giving to help defeat the Human Fertilisation & Embryology Bill currently before Parliament, by signing petitions, sending postcards and writing letters to MPs. A special thanks for your prayers. Prayer gives us the strength and courage to carry on our struggle, day by day, in our ongoing fight in defence of life."

ADORE: ALTON DAY OF RENEWAL - Sat. 24th May at St. Lucy's Convent, Medstead GU34 5LL. The theme for this year is THE LOVE OF THE FATHER; this month looking at YOUR WILL BE DONE. Starts with Rosary at 11am; Mass at 11.30am; shared lunch 1pm; Praise & Worship 2pm; Talk 2.30pm; finishes with tea & prayer for healing; ends ~5pm. Collection to defray expenses. For more info or directions, please ring Rev. John Foley on 01189 333420. See blue posters, Advent Room/D.B. Room. Next meeting - Sat. 28th June

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

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sunday 11 th May	9 am 11 am 5pm	Pentecost	Jean Bartington RIP Tom Harbison RIP Ann Haggerty (unwell)	INTERNATIONAL MASS followed by International Lunch (Hall) 2:30pm 1st Holy Communion REHEARSAL (Church)
Monday 12 th May	NO MASS	St. Pancras		2pm: UCM meeting (D. B. Room) 8pm: SVP meeting, HERE (D.B. Room)
Tuesday 13 th May	9.45 am	Our Lady of Fatima	Patrick Burke RIP	7.45pm: Life in the Spirit (Church) 8pm: KSC meeting (at Gerry's house)
Wednes. 14 th May	9.45 am	St. Matthias	Katty Flahavan RIP (rec. dep.)	<i>Celebrant: Fr. Kevin Delaney</i> 8pm: Choir practice for 9am Mass
Thursday 15 th May	9.45 am	St. Carthage	Pat Fallon intentions	
Friday 16 th May	7.30 pm	St. Brendan	Tina Fallon intentions	6.30pm: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament <i>Celebrant: Fr. Kevin Delaney</i>
Sat. 17 th	11am	St. Paschal	★ ★ ★	1st HOLY COMMUNION MASS ★ ★ ★
Sunday 18 th May	9 am 11 am 5pm	Holy Trinity	For all the unborn David Shaw RIP (rec. dep.) Augustina N. Anomyai RIP	

*** 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:

✠ Abdull Jazrawi (1980), Mary Vidgen (1980), Cyril Tilton (1981), Eileen O'Brien-White, Ivy Florence Allen (1998), Katy Mills (2002), Edward McAyliffe (1977), Nellie Sawyer (2000), Vera Johnston (1995), Herbert Pegg (2003), Maria Filippo, Alfred Walsh (1984), Anne Flannery (1979), and Patrick Walsh (2001). ✠

OLoP Social Club - Bar person required to join a small team. 2 shifts per week 19:00 until 23:30, additional shift every other week, normally Sunday 11:45 until 15:30. Additionally you will be required to work some Saturday evenings if there is a function. Experience an advantage but not necessary, full training will be given. If you wish to apply or find out more about the job please contact the Bar Manager – Cedric Dias on 07884 494242

THIS WEEK! **Reading Faith Forum:** next meeting is at 2pm on Wed. 14th May at The Warehouse, Cumberland Road, Reading - as guests of the Islamic Teaching Centre.
See yellow poster in Advent Room

OLoP Theatre Club: URGENT! "Much Ado About Nothing" (RADA) on Saturday 7th June - changed to **EVENING** performance at 7.30pm. Coach will leave OLoP at 4.30pm.
See **new UPDATED newsletter** in Advent Room.
To book, please contact Fran or Ann **ASAP!**

Blessed Hugh Faringdon School - see latest blue newsletter and Headteacher's report in Advent Room

Night Vigil: On the occasion of the **solemnity of the Sacred Heart**, the Sacred Heart Guild (Moyo Musande Guild) of the Zimbabwean community will be organising a Night Vigil on Friday 30th May starting at **8pm** and ending on Sat. 31st May at 6.30am at **St James church**, Reading. All are welcome



"Engaging Our Young People" Workshop: Sat. 31st May, 11am-3.30pm, at Holy Family Church, Southampton: an event to help parishes engage teenagers and young adults in the Church and the world.
All welcome - see flyers in Advent Room

Newsletter funnies... *These have actually appeared in other church bulletins or been announced at church services:*



"Potluck supper, Sunday at 5:00pm - prayer and medication to follow"

"Weightwatchers will be meeting again this Wednesday at 7.30pm.

Will attendees please enter by the double doors at the side of the hall"



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SUNDAY MASS TIMES AT OUR OTHER CHURCHES:

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

Emergency contact numbers for Ministry of priest:

Fr. Anthony Ikenoba **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 in emergency if your own priest is unavailable, please try one of our other PA priests on the numbers above