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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

25th May 2008

Corpus Christi

• Offertory collection

11th May:

Envelopes £179.50
Loose cash £549.02
Standing Orders £584.50

Total: £1313.02

• Offertory collection

18th May:

Envelopes £167.00
Loose cash £370.02
Standing Orders £584.50

Total: £1121.52

Thank you
for your kind donations

- Special collection NEXT
Sunday 1st June for
St. Vincent de Paul
Society (SVP)



PARISH BAPTISMS!

Our next
quarterly Parish
Baptism

Preparation
sessions will be held on
Tuesday 3rd June and

Tuesday 10th June, each
at **7.30pm** in
Dominic Barberi Room.

If you wish to celebrate a
baptism and have not yet
completed a baptism form
(available in Advent
Room), please do so ASAP
and return it to the Parish
Office! Thank you

NEW ROTA - for Ministers
who take **Holy**

Communion to the sick
& **housebound** of our
parish: the new rota is now
available. **Please take**
your copy from the
Advent Room now
to save on postage costs!

Thank you



! **CONFESSIONS** are
available on
Friday evenings from
7pm - 7.30pm
in the confessional

Corpus Christi

Man is body and spirit, and the spirit of man needs nourishment as much as the physical body.

Jesus offers us the source of this nourishment in the Eucharist. He enacted this source of spiritual strength at His last supper with His disciples; there He offered them His body and blood. Today He still continues to offer us Himself in the Eucharist to make His promise a reality and to strengthen our spiritual being, because He is the living bread and whoever eats this bread will draw life from the Father.

We live in a world where the physical tends to subdue the spiritual, so we need as Christians to constantly approach this source of strength; the body and blood of Jesus. It will surely give us strength.

Father Anthony

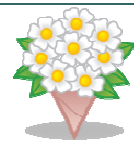


**I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord.
Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!**

TODAY - the Feast of Corpus Christi: we are all invited to join Reading's Polish Community in their Corpus Christi procession. Mass starts at 2pm at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Watlington Street, followed at 3pm by procession to Reading Abbey Ruins. After the celebration there will be refreshments at the Sacred Heart of Jesus church hall. *See posters in Advent Room/outside Lady Chapel.* All are welcome!

We warmly welcome to our parish community **Munashe Bradley Nenguke** and **Darragh Seán Kester** as we celebrate their baptisms at 11am & 5pm Masses today!

Parish survey: on Sunday 10th February you were asked to complete parish survey forms. We have now compiled all responses - take a look in Advent Room where some copies of output are available. Please read & return for others to see (save paper!). A copy is also on display on notice board, and on parish website. Thank you for your input



Reminder: **Next Sunday 1st June** we have the **annual UCM plant sale** after Masses. This will be held in Dominic Barberi Room and on patio outside (weather permitting!). If you've any plants or cuttings to donate, please bring them along on the day! Thank you - from UCM

All APF members, families & friends are invited to **Annual APF/Mill Hill Get-Together** on **Sunday 1st June**, 2pm - 5pm, at St. Joseph's Church, Cookham Road, Maidenhead. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 2.30pm, with tea and refreshments after. *See green poster*

READERS' TRAINING DAY has been arranged for Sat. 21st June here in OLOP church. The day will **start at ~10am** and will be over by 1pm. Canon Alan Griffiths has kindly agreed to guide us on the important Ministry of the Reader. Please reserve this time and do encourage others, young and old, to come - even if they are not Readers now but may take up the ministry at a later date. The programme is currently being prepared and will be communicated within next 2 weeks. For any details please contact Jack and Melly on 0118 9698595. Thank you



June issue of
My day by Day now
available in Advent
Room, only **£1 per copy**.
Please leave money in
basket - thank you



CTEER AGM: on **Thursday 5th June** we are hosting the AGM for Churches Together in Earley and East Reading (CTEER), starting at 7.30pm with prayer followed by the meeting. We want to ensure that the many attendees from other churches have a lovely warm welcome to our church! If you can help, please contact Jane in Parish Office. Thank you

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

| DATE | TIME | DEDICATION | MASS INTENTION | PARISH DIARY |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| Sunday 25 th May | 9 am 11 am 5pm | Corpus Christi | Regina and Zbigniew Zaboklicki Ann Haggerty (unwell) Adrian & Dianne Burmeister | Baptism: <u>Munashe Bradley Nenguke</u> Baptism: <u>Darragh Seán Kester</u> |
| Mon. 26 th | NO MASS | St. Philip Neri | | BANK HOLIDAY |
| Tuesday 27 th May | 9.45 am | St. Augustine of Canterbury | Mrs. Mary Cooper RIP | |
| Wed. 28 th | 9.45 am | | Anne Mullaney RIP | 8pm: Choir practice for 9am Mass |
| Thu. 29 th | 9.45 am | | Sonia Gale RIP | |
| Friday 30 th May | 7.30 pm | Sacred Heart | Lisa Thomas RIP | 6.30pm: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament |
| Sunday 1 st June | 9 am 11 am 5pm | Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time | Jean Bartington RIP Duncan Campbell Daniel & Michelle Polome & family | Blessing of George & Donata Janusz (50 th wedding anniversary) |

*** **NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY during half term - back on 8th June!** ***

*** **NO CUBS / BEAVERS / SCOUTS during half term - back next week!** ***

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

Margaret Walton (2002), Margaret Isherwood (2003), Rita Oliver (1996), Patrick Marran, John Reichelt (1992), and Raymond Wakefield (1997).

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!**

St. Dominic Savio School - job vacancy for **Finance Officer**. See *orange posters* in Advent Rm./ outside Lady Chapel

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 Saturday 31st May at 6.30am, at **St. James Church**, Reading. All are welcome

Anyone wishing to join the Catholic faith: RCIA programme - for anyone wishing to be received into the Catholic faith, **St. John Bosco parish** will be starting a new RCIA programme in June and they welcome members from parishes in the Pastoral Area. For more info, please contact their Parish Office

CAFOD is holding **Pure Gold photographic exhibition** at Southampton Solent University Conference Centre Cafe in the Square, Southampton from 5th-7th June. Admission is free - all welcome. Open Thursday 5th June from 9am-6pm, Friday 6th June from 9am-7pm & Saturday 7th June from 9am-4pm. Come along and find out more about the impact of gold mining on communities around the world and how we can make a difference to the thousands of people affected. For further information please ring CAFOD Portsmouth on 01252 329385 or visit www.cafodpuregold.net

St. Joseph's Convent School, Reading:

Year 5 Day: "Renaissance Revelations" - St. Joseph's Convent School invites girls in Year 5 from schools in and around Berkshire to an educational and fun day of workshops at the school on Friday 27th June from 9:15am-2:30pm. Details and a registration form can be found on our website: www.st-josephs.reading.sch.uk or by calling 0118 966 1000

Year 5 Parents: the Headmistress, Maureen Sheridan, is also currently meeting with parents in Year 5 for admission into Senior Department in September 2009. If you would like an appointment, please contact the school on 0118 966 1000

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

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