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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

13<sup>th</sup> July 2008

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

## • Offertory collection 6<sup>th</sup> July:

Envelopes £173.30  
Loose cash £448.95  
Standing Orders £642.23


**Total: £1304.48**

- Second collection for Day for Life raised the wonderful sum of **£469.00**

Thank you  
for your kind donations

- Retiring collection TODAY Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of Catholic Church - to support all those who live and work at sea. **Please try to use a Gift Aid envelope!**

Seafarers are vital to our standard of living; without them we would not have most of the items we use in our everyday lives. Many seafarers do not have the quality of life on board that every human has the right to. So today please give generously, and please remember all seafarers in your prayers. Thank you

! **LEADERS/HELPERS NEEDED** for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion program commencing September 2008 for 1<sup>st</sup> HC in May 2009. Carmel Keightley has kindly volunteered to run the programme but needs assistance. If you can help with this important task for our parish, **please contact Jane in the Parish Office** 

**PARISH OFFICE open this week Tues. - Fri. from 9am - 2pm**

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

**Fr. Anthony is due back with us later this week... Welcome back!**  
**A huge THANK YOU to Father Peter for his pastoral care and time**

## Focus on...

### Fair Trade

We are now a Fair Trade parish: all our groups use fairly traded products, such as tea and coffee for refreshments including those served after Mass. The stall selling fairly traded goods, especially coffee, biscuits and confectionery, is open after 9.00am Mass and at other masses when volunteers are available. We also have information about shops and supermarkets selling these and other Fair Trade goods in the Wokingham area. Fairly traded goods ensure producers in the developing world receive a fair return for their work plus a bit extra (a premium) to enable them to improve education, medical and other services in their communities.

### Flower Guild

We have around 10 members and we work on a rota system. Most weeks it needs just 2 members to refresh and/or replace any fading flowers in time for the Sunday Masses. For important feast days (e.g. Christmas and Easter) and also for weddings and First Communions, all available members come to arrange the quantity of flowers needed for special occasions. New members will always be teamed with an experienced partner. Most of us learnt like that ourselves.

### Eucharistic Ministers

We are all aware of those who come forward at every Mass to distribute Communion. They form a vital part of our celebration of the Mass, demonstrating the community aspect of our worship. Less obvious is the team of people who go out every week to take communion to the sick and housebound. Some visit parishioners in their homes, others go to the various care homes in our parish. All Eucharistic Ministers are trained and supported in their Ministry, whether in the church or in people's homes. Anyone can request a Minister to visit a sick relative or friend who cannot get to Mass.

**Want to know more? Interested in joining in? Then please contact the Parish Office!**  
*Hope it helps to learn about the groups in your parish... More to come in future weeks.*  
**Why not get involved?**

**"...What we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us."**

**From our parish Justice and Peace group:** Please pray for and, if possible, write a letter of support for two Iranian women who have been jailed for promoting equal rights for women. If you can help please take a copy of **pink appeal sheet** available from the J & P notice board in the Advent Room. Thank you

**ANNUAL MISSION MASS** here on **17<sup>th</sup> July:** Fr. Frank Thompson MHM invites you all to attend one of 4 "Annual Mission Evenings" - see **blue posters**. Mass will be said here on **Thurs. 17<sup>th</sup> July, 7.30pm**, followed by a short mission film focused on Japan. Find out how your contributions are transformed into deeds and celebrate your "missionary vocation"!

The next **Home Group** meeting is at Michael & Eileen Cafferty's house on **Thurs. 17<sup>th</sup> July, 7.45-9.30pm**. All welcome. For more details or to confirm attendance please call Mel Noronha on 9698595

**LAST CHANCE** to book for **Sunset Boulevard** at Watermill, Bagnor on **Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> August, 7.30pm**. Tickets £12. For info, **contact Fran ASAP!**

★ The next **Parish Prayer Evening** will be held here in church on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** from 8pm to 9:30pm. Everyone is invited to attend ★

On Saturday **CIRDIC - Churches in Reading Drop-In Centre** - had NO SOUP to offer its visitors! So please would you buy one tin of soup and bring it to the D.B. Room, so that Catherine Kernthaler (a volunteer at CIRDIC) can take it for their visitors. Thank you in advance

Reading & District **Life Group** - sale of goods at Pagoda, Woodley shopping precinct, **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July - come and visit the stall!**

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	9 am 11 am 5pm	<b>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	Norman & Muriel Swain RIP (Foundation Mass) Luigi Fiorentini RIP (anniv.) Len Jackson	
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>NO MASS</b>			<b>2pm: UCM</b> meeting (at Molly's) <b>8pm: SVP</b> meeting (D.B. Room)
Tues. 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.45 am	St. Bonaventure	Joyce Molloy RIP (recently dec.)	
Wednes. 16 <sup>th</sup> July	9.45 am	Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Holy Souls; Vincent Curran RIP	<b>8pm:</b> Choir practice for 11am Mass
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	9.45 am <b>7.30pm</b>		Special intention of Rowlinson family	<b>7.30pm: APF Mission Mass</b> <u>After Mass:</u> Parish Pastoral Council mtg. (venue to be confirmed on the night)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>7.30 pm</b>		Jude & Viran Gunasekera	<b>10:30am:</b> Wedding rehearsal in church <b>6.30pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Sat. 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO MASS</b>		<b>12:30pm</b> - Wedding of Dominique Comerford and Martin Hughes	
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9 am 11 am 5pm	<b>16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	Isabel & Lorenza Sanchez Ortega Cofone Francesco John J. McAndrew	

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

\*\*\* Due to the hall floor being repaired, there will be **NO ACCESS** to the **MAIN HALL** this week \*\*\*

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

Luigi Fiorentini (1999), Alexander Croft (1989), Richard Wallace (1991), Martin Keelen (2004),  
Henry Thomas (1976), James Howard (1979), Emma & Catherine Novell (1979), Jack Tierney (1982).

**Thank you from Ann Haggerty's family:**

"Thank you to all members of the parish family for the help, support and messages of sympathy given to us.  
It was wonderful to see so many of Ann's friends at her funeral Mass to wish her farewell and celebrate her life."



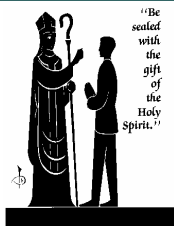
**Would you like to help couples from our parish prepare for the sacrament of marriage?**

The parish needs more help running our annual marriage preparation sessions.

These are held once a year, in January /February. If you would like to help our parish with leading this important ministry, please contact Jane in the Parish Office ASAP - because...

There is a **Diocesan Marriage Preparation TRAINING course** to be held on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September - see posters in Advent Room and D.B. Room. This course is for existing marriage prep<sup>d</sup>. providers, clergy, and anyone with an interest in the subject - e.g. new prep<sup>n</sup>. providers. The focus will be on spirituality and sexuality.

If interested, see posters for details of how to book



"Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."

**CONFIRMATION:** For those interested in being involved in preparing children for confirmation there will be training run by members of the Diocesan Pastoral Formation Team (probably 3 evening sessions) in September/October. This will be valuable for new and existing leaders.

**Please let the Parish Office know if you are interested.**

More information on dates & location when we know numbers

**Blessed Hugh Faringdon School: see Advent Room for letter from the Head Teacher about recent performance standards**

**ALTON DAY OF RENEWAL - Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> July 2008:** St. Lucy's Convent, Medstead Manor, Medstead. The theme for this year is THE LOVE OF THE FATHER, this month focusing on **FORGIVE US**. Starting with Rosary at 11am - MASS at 11.30am concelebrated by Fr. Andrew McMahan and Fr. Nicholas Broadbridge OSB - Shared lunch at 1pm - Praise & Worship 2pm - Talk 2.30pm: Fr. Andrew McMahan OFM speaking on the topic FORGIVE US - Finishing with tea & prayer for healing ~ 5pm. Collection to defray expenses. For more information or directions, ring Rev. John Foley on 0118 9333420 or **see pink posters**. NO MEETING IN AUGUST - next meeting Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September

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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 Pastoral Area priests on the numbers above