

# Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi

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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

7<sup>th</sup> September 2008

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

## • Offertory collection

31<sup>st</sup> August:

Envelopes £129.36  
Loose cash £414.33  
Standing Orders £642.00

**Total: £1185.69**

Thank you for your kind donations

## • Special collection next

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. for

**Racial Justice Sunday**

## We are responsible for one another

The new commandment - "Love one another as I have loved you" - is core to our Christian calling today.

We can be seen to follow this command of love by caring about the spiritual as well as the material welfare of those around us. Our duty is to take interest in their affairs and make their concerns ours. It is *un-Christian* to think, "It is none of my business how my neighbour conducts his or her affairs", especially in matters relating to religion and faith. If we choose to look away, pretending not to see what is happening, we would be held accountable. Like Cain, the account of Abel will be demanded.

Be your brother's keeper always.

Father Anthony

## NEW THIS WEEK:

**Wednesday Club** starts again on Wed. 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. - all welcome. **WE ALWAYS NEED MORE DRIVERS!**

If you can help please contact the Parish Office

Still a few copies of September issue of **My day by Day** available in Advent Room, only **£1 per copy**



**To all 2007 & 2008 First Holy Communion children:** Fr. Anthony will be happy to give back your "I Belong" books at **any Sunday Masses from 21<sup>st</sup> September onwards** - so listen out at all Sunday Masses from that day!

**"Where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them."**

**Thank you from Louise & Robert! See their lovely card in Advent Room**

**CTEER - next meeting** Wed. 17<sup>th</sup> Sept., 7.45pm at Earley St. Peter's. Also **Job Vacancies: Secretary and Web Manager** - see *CTEER notice board, Advent Room*

### CAFOD GUITAR CONCERT:

Our parish is delighted to be hosting **Gerry Coates** to perform a guitar concert, to be held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. at 6pm (after Mass). All are welcome - **Free admission**; collection in aid of **CAFOD**. See *yellow flyers and posters*

### PROTECT LIFE:

In the Autumn (probably mid-October) the Human Fertilisation & Embryology Bill will come back to the House of Commons for final voting; soon after that it will become law. The Bill has new issues to be addressed, including some extremely worrying attempts to liberate the abortion law. We ask you to **send a postcard to your MP by end of September** so that our voices are heard. The postcards have been ordered and will be put in Advent Room. **Please help!**

**September is SVP awareness month**, to make us more aware of what the SVP does for our community. See information on *SVP notice board in Advent Room*

**PARISH BAPTISMS** - Our next quarterly Parish Baptism Preparation sessions will be held on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September** (Dominic Barberi Rm.) &

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September** (Advent Room), each starting at **8pm**.

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

**TIME is RUNNING OUT!**

**DON'T FORGET!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion 2008** -

All additional **photos** that parents ordered and paid for are **waiting to be collected** from Parish Office!

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## 1<sup>st</sup> HOLY COMMUNION 2009 - new program starts soon!

If you are now starting Year 3, will be 8 years old between 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. 2008 and 31<sup>st</sup> Aug. 2009, and if you feel ready, you are eligible to join our parish 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion preparation program. Parents of those children should **please write a letter or e-mail to Father Anthony** c/o the Parish Office **BY 15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER** giving the child's name, date of birth, date and place of baptism, and parents' names, address & e-mail. Please mark the envelope "1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion 2009". Further details of the program will then be passed on to parents. The **FIRST MEETING** is a **PARENTS ONLY MEETING** on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm in Carl Barton Room (the small hall)



**PARISH OFFICE** open **Tues. - Friday, 9am - 2pm**

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**CONFESSION** available on **Friday evenings 7pm-7.30pm**

! in the confessional

★ **Confirmation** will be celebrated for this parish in Summer 2009. We invite all those who would like to receive the sacrament, and have completed Year 7 in school, to **provide the parish with the following details BY SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**, in a **letter or e-mail to Fr. Anthony**: your name, date of birth, school, address, e-mail address & phone number, parents' names and e-mail address, the Mass you normally attend, and the church & date of your baptism. Preparation for Confirmation will begin after half term and will include a few Saturdays, a weekend retreat, and occasional weekday evenings. Any queries please e-mail Ann Woolley: [woolleya78@btinternet.com](mailto:woolleya78@btinternet.com)

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	9 am 11 am 5pm	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	James & Kathleen Buckley RIP (Foundation Mass) Celia Tichbourne RIP Brian Fincham RIP	<i>Children's Liturgy re-starts!</i>  <i>Children's Liturgy re-starts!</i>
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	<b>NO MASS</b>	Birthday of Our Lady		<b>2pm:</b> UCM meeting (D. B. Room)
Tues. 9 <sup>th</sup>	9.45 am	St. Ciaran	Brian Curran RIP	
Wednes. 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	9.45 am		Walter Stevens RIP	7.30pm: Fr. Anthony - Interfaith meeting <b>8pm:</b> Choir practice for 11am Mass
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	9.45 am		Dermot Durnin RIP	<b>6pm:</b> <u>Wedding rehearsal</u> (Church) <b>7.45pm:</b> Parish Pastoral Council mtg. (DB Rm)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	<b>7.30pm</b>		Beatriz Davila-Smyth	<b>6.30pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	<b>NO MASS</b>	St. John Chrysostom	<b>12 noon: <u>Wedding</u></b> of Antonietta Napolitano and Michael Webb <i>Celebrant: Father Cyril Fanaie</i>	
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	9 am 11 am 5pm	<b>Triumph of the Cross</b>	Henry & Ethel Wiggins RIP (Foundation Mass) Josephine Hynes RIP Josephine Hynes RIP	<i>Celebrant: Fr. David Ajang</i>  <i>Celebrant: Fr. David Ajang</i>  <i>Celebrant: Fr. David Ajang</i>

\*\*\* CHILDREN'S LITURGY during 9am and 11am Masses each week - WELCOME BACK! \*\*\*

\*\*\* 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:

William Dailly (1992), Bill Hunt (1994), Regina Zaboklicka (2007), Frederick Grigg (1993),  
Janice Robins (1995), Bernard Coakeley (2004), Anthony Davis (1997), Doris Frost (1990),  
Marjorie Sheldon (1997), and Erick Karas (2001).

**LIFE** - The AGM of Reading and District LIFE will be held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September at the LIFE Care Centre, English Martyrs Church, Reading, at 10.30 am.  
All LIFE supporters welcome

**Aid to the Church in Need** - Annual Westminster Event Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> September - Begins with Mass at 10:30am, Concelebrants and Speakers: Archbishop Jean Sleiman OCD of Baghdad and Bishop Joseph Coutts of Faisalabad. Tickets £5, obtained via ACN website [www.acnuk.org](http://www.acnuk.org) or by phone: 020 8642 8668

Reading's **Climate Change** event of the year on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept., 1.30pm at Friends Meeting House, Church Street, Reading. ALL ARE WELCOME but places are limited! Book your FREE place - see *gold posters and colour flyers* or see [www.coinet.org.uk](http://www.coinet.org.uk)

**2 JOB VACANCIES:** Diocese of Portsmouth - Department for Pastoral Formation: **Advisor for Catechesis and Adult Formation** and **Advisor for Stewardship and Collaborative Ministry** - the Department is based at Park Place Pastoral Centre, Wickham, Hants. For each post the successful applicant will be a committed Catholic with a degree in Theology or a closely related subject. Salary for each post: i.r.o. £30,000 depending upon experience. For more details, see blue posters in Advent Room or outside D.B. Room

**St. Dominic Savio Primary School** is having an **Autumn Ball** - everyone in pastoral area is invited!

Please support your local Catholic school - for further information see **cream booking forms & yellow poster in Advent Room** or contact Katie Vaughan - 0118 926 9259

### Focus on...

#### The Parish Pantomime Group

Our usual boast is that we are the largest group in the parish - and if not the largest we are certainly the loudest - and if not the loudest certainly those who have the most fun! We began several years ago after a Confirmation group's role plays were so entertaining we thought they should be shared with the wider parish. The young people of that time are now in their mid-twenties but each year we still invite young people and children to come forward - get together, make friends, have fun... and... as a by product... produce a Parish Pantomime - usually an original slant on a traditional tale. We guarantee roles for all and welcome all.  
Just watch for the adverts in the newsletter each autumn and come along.

Want to know more? Interested in joining in? Why not get involved? Then please contact Parish Office!

#### SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

- ♦ **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 a 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