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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

28th Sept./5th Oct. 2008 26th/27th Sunday Ordinary Time



THIS NEWSLETTER COVERS 2 WEEKS



• Offertory collection
21st September:

Envelopes £148.62
Loose cash £403.39
Standing Orders £642.00

Total: £1194.01

• The special collection for
Home Mission Sunday
(CASE) raised £226.36

Thank you very much for your kind donations

• Special collection TODAY -
for **the Cathedral**

• **CAFOD Family Fast Day**
is THIS Friday 3rd October,
so special collection NEXT
Sunday 5th October for this
- **take envelopes today!**

Call to Conversion

The process and experience of conversion differs from person to person. Each person at one time or another experiences a positive change of heart, enabling them to experience an encounter with God. The young man in the Gospel experienced the bitter taste of life and decided he would find peace with his father. So for him circumstances changed his heart for the better. Every day is an opportunity for conversion. If you lost your chance, God gives you another opportunity to change your heart. So do not lose heart; conversion is an on-going process.

Father Anthony

We warmly welcome to our parish community **Baffour Gyimah Ejim Atakorah** and his family as we celebrate his baptism today at 11am Mass

New members for the Parish Pastoral Council: The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) consists of 12 members of the parish who, together with our parish priest Fr. Anthony, share the responsibility for building our parish into a living Christian community. Through prayer and reflection we aim to identify the pastoral needs of our parish community, to consider them thoroughly and to enable those needs to be met. We work for the parish as members of the community. The current chair of the Council is Laurie James, who took over from Pat Wells this month. When we were formed we agreed that we should **encourage participation** and that no member should stay on the Council for too long. This year Ann-Marie Paterson, Colin Forrestal & Gabrielle Williamson have stepped down and **we are, therefore, seeking at least three new members.** If you are interested please talk to Laurie or to any of the Council members, and please complete one of the **forms in the Advent Room.** Forms should be returned to the Parish Office. Thank you

October issue of

My day by Day
now available in
Advent Room,
£1 per copy



Altar Servers: NEW ROTA

! now available for you
in Advent Room. It
starts Sun. 12th Oct.,
so PLEASE save on postage
and remember to take your
copy with you TODAY!

September is SVP
awareness month - see
information on SVP notice
board in Advent Room

To all APF "red box"
holders: Parish promoters
will be contacting all
members between now &
end October to empty boxes
and deliver the Autumn
Mission Today magazines



PARISH OFFICE is
CLOSED ALL THIS WEEK
- will be OPEN again from
Tues. 7th - Fri. 10th Oct.,
9am-2pm each day

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

TONIGHT!
"JOURNEY TO
THE LIGHT":
Gerry Coates
Guitar Concert
TONIGHT, Sun. 28th Sept.
at **6pm** (after Mass). All are
welcome - **Free admission;**
collection in aid of **CAFOD.**
See yellow flyers and posters

Home Group: The next Home group meeting is on
Thursday 2nd October at 12 Brackendale Way, Earley at
7.45 for 8pm - **PROMPT START PLEASE!**
All Welcome. For more information or to confirm
attendance please call Mel Noronha on 0118 9698595

Leaders of Children's Liturgy /other youth groups:
come to a session run by **Bob Hartman**, internationally
renowned writer & storyteller - Wed. 8th Oct., at Trinity
Church, Lower Earley. See posters in Advent Room

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2009 -

Thank you to all parents who have registered their children for our next parish
First Holy Communion preparation program. We are delighted to welcome
27 children to prepare to receive First Holy Communion in 2009.

The **FIRST MEETING** is PARENTS ONLY MEETING **TODAY** at **2.30pm** in Carl Barton Rm.!

★ **Confirmation** - the closing date for candidates is still Sunday 19th October but
we would like to have an estimate of numbers ASAP to begin planning, so
please write in with your NAME now even if you can't provide other details yet!

Panto 2009 - oh no we shouldn't.....but yes we probably will! There will be a get-
together for all interested parties in the hall on **Saturday 18th October** from 2-4pm so
please come along if you can. The Panto itself will take place on Sat. 17th January 2009.
If you haven't already 'volunteered' to Ann (and a huge thanks to all those who have)
then please drop her an e-mail: woolleya78@btinternet.com
If you're new to whole Parish Panto experience and in school please let her know your age

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: In response to public demand, next series of
"Life in the Spirit" seminars will be held on Wed. evenings commencing
Wed. 22nd Oct.—Wed. 3rd Dec., excluding Wed. 29th Oct. (half term), and including
Sat. 22nd Nov. Venue: **St. John Bosco Parish, Woodley.** More details to follow



DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sunday 28 th Sept.	9 am 11 am 5pm	26th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Regina Zaboklicka RIP Casey family intention; John Lilley RIP (6 th anniv.) Francois Polomé	Baptism: <u>Baffour Gyimah Ejim Atakorah</u> ★ 6pm: GUITAR CONCERT in Hall! ★
Monday 29 th Sept.	NO MASS	Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael		8pm: SVP meeting (D.B. Room)
Tuesday 30 th Sept.	9.45 am	St. Jerome	Ann Haggerty RIP	7.45pm: Children's Lit. mtg. (D.B. Room) 8pm: <u>BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION 2</u> (Advent Room)
Wednes. 1 st Oct.	9.45 am	St. Theresa of the Child Jesus	Niall Durnin (ill)	8pm: Choir practice for 9am Mass
Thur. 2 nd	9.45 am	Guardian Angels	Druman Coronel RIP	
Friday 3 rd	7.30pm		Jude & Viran Gunasekera	6.30pm: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament
Sunday 5 th Oct.	9 am 11 am 5pm	27th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Oliver family intentions Anonymous donor's intention; Mike & Valerie's 30 th anniv.	11am: Blessing - Mike & Valerie Coughlan
Mon. 6 th	NO MASS	St. Bruno		8pm: Youth Ministry meeting (D.B. Room)
Tuesday 7 th Oct.	9.45 am	Our Lady of the Rosary	Sr. Sierra RIP	8pm: Justice and Peace meeting (Advent Room)
Wednes. 8 th Oct.	9.45 am		Thanksgiving - Cynthia Senthil	8pm: Choir practice for 11am Mass
Thur. 9 th	9.45 am	St. Denis & comp.	Kathleen McAteer RIP	
Friday 10 th Oct.	7.30pm	St. Paulinus of York	Roselyn & Joseph Fernando	6.30pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday 12 th Oct.	9 am 11 am 5pm	28th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Martin Brannelly RIP Nancy Kergol RIP Louis & Cathy Polomé	

*** 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:

✠ John Lilley (2002), Godfrey Vivian Watson (1998), David Wilford (2007), Ethel Wiggins (2005), William Collins (1988), Mary Murray (1999), John Tierney (1990), Marion Collins (2007), Jeanette Barron (1983), Philomena Butler (1988), Emily George (1996), Caroline Hobbs (2004), Mary McGlynn (1998), Marie Maestranzi (2001).

  **St. Dominic Savio Primary School** is having an **Autumn Ball!** For further information see  **cream booking forms & yellow poster in Advent Room** or contact Katie Vaughan – 0118 926 9259

SOCIAL CLUB: Did you know that in the complex we have an active Social Club with full service bar & function hall available for hire? For a modest subscription fee, Club membership is open to all parishioners and their friends. After each Mass today, Club Chairman Phil Boardman will be giving us a summary of activities & amenities. Membership application forms are available from Advent Room, and the Club will be open after 11am & 5pm Masses today for parishioners to pop in for refreshments and see what the Club has to offer. In particular, those attending the "**Journey to the Light**" concert tonight will be made welcome before, during or after the concert!

Thank you from Tansey family for your condolences on the death of Bridget (Bea) Tansey in July. See their card in the Advent Room

St. Dominic Savio Catholic Primary School: VACANCY FOR FOUNDATION GOVERNOR - *for details see pink posters.*
Closing date: 3rd October. Also **2 teaching vacancies** at the school: *see orange posters.* **Open Mornings** coming up soon - see poster

Earley Pre-School (held in the Carl Barton Room) is run by committee and is **in need of a new voluntary treasurer - could you help?** The treasurer is responsible for all financial outgoings including rent, petty cash and wages; balancing all in- & out-goings; arranging an annual audit; and keeping the rest of the committee & all parents up-to-date on finances. If you are interested please contact Kerry Cowieson (Chairperson) on 0118 9633417

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