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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

22nd March 2009

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Year B

• Offertory collection 15th March:

Envelopes £198.22

Loose cash £489.95

Standing Orders £626.00

Total: £1314.17

Thank you for your
kind donations

- Special collection TODAY
Sunday 22nd March for
Clergy Assistance Fund

RCIA Scrutinies at 9am/11am Masses this weekend -

Our RCIA candidates are undertaking their Scrutinies at some of the Masses today and next Sunday (29th March).

Consequently at the **9am and 11am** Masses we are required to follow

Year A liturgy for the Scrutiny;
our 5pm Mass will be **Year B**.

We hope this does not confuse you!

Our Altar Servers' albs need cleaning!

Our Altar servers albs could all do with a 'Spring Clean', so please could we have volunteer(s) to take them ALL and wash them? It would be best if they can all be taken at the same time to ensure they all get cleaned. Please take them

after 5pm Mass and bring them back before 9am Mass next Sunday!

Thank you in advance



**Happy Mothering
Sunday to all
mums in our parish!**

*"God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son;
everyone who believes in Him has eternal life"*

Prayer Evening - PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN VENUE

The next **Pastoral Area
Prayer Evening** will be held

at **St. John Bosco Church,**
Woodley on Tues. 24th March

from 8pm to 9pm. Everyone
is welcome. **Theme:**

How to find your vocation

APF: Promoters will be
visiting APF members
during April to deliver the
Mission Today magazines
and **empty Red Boxes.**

Thanks to all the parish APF
box-holders, together you
contributed over £2400 last
year. New APF members are
always welcome; this is a
(relatively!) painless and
practical way to support the
work of the Missions. If
interested, please contact
Tony Field via Parish Office



GIFT AID: parishioners who use envelopes for their weekly offerings, please note that **envelopes** for year commencing Easter Sunday **are now available in Advent Room, from TODAY Sunday 22nd March - please collect!**

ALL ALTAR SERVERS - please see page on display in Advent Room showing the Masses over the Easter Triduum. **Please sign up to show the Mass/services you can serve at,** to ensure that all our services & Masses have enough altar servers. **Please complete by Sunday 5th April.** Thank you in advance



Stations of the Cross - During Lent we have Stations of the Cross at **7.30pm on Fridays** and **4pm on Sundays**. The next sessions are TODAY Sunday 22nd March at 4pm, led by Lifts Rota / Readers group; then Friday 27th March at 7.30pm, led by various groups; and then Sunday 29th March at 4pm, led by Welcome Ministers / various groups. **All are most welcome to these opportunities to follow Christ's journey**

SPUC: pro-Life coin boxes

Lent is a time of alms-giving to the poor, so take one of the SPUC coin boxes in Advent Room - they are very easy to assemble, then keep the box in your home and fill it with whatever you would have spent on treats that you have given up. Then after Lent, send all proceeds to SPUC - details on each box. **Help yourself!**

Reminder: the Rosary is said before each of our weekday morning Masses, starting at 9:20am

CONFESSION - available at **Lent penitential services** or by appointment

Lent Reconciliation Services START THIS WEEK! Local parishes are again offering Lent penitential services, each with priests available for 1:1 confessions:

Wednesday 25th March, 7.30pm

Tuesday 31st March, 7.30pm

Wed. 1st April, 7.30pm

Thursday 2nd April, 7.30pm

Saturday 4th April, 11am

Christ the King, Whitley

St. John Bosco, Woodley

Our Lady & Bl. D. Barberi

St. Joseph's, Tilehurst

English Martyrs, Reading



PARISH BAPTISMS - our next quarterly Parish Baptism Preparation sessions will be held on **Wed. 22nd April & Mon. 27th April** each at **8pm** in D.B. Room. If you wish to celebrate a baptism please **complete a baptism form** (available in Advent Room) and **return it to Parish Office** as soon as possible

WARNING - ROAD CLOSURES DUE TO GAS WORKS

As you know, there are on-going road works and some road closures nearby due to essential gas works near the crossroads. Please note - Aldbourne Ave. & Ramsbury Drive will be for residents' access only for the duration of these gas works. You can of course still access our car park, but you will NOT be able to park on Aldbourne Avenue. Wilderness Road & Church Road will be CLOSED for later stages of work, from 3rd April to 6th May. For more info: www.wokingham.gov.uk/three-tuns or ring 0845 0701431; see information on SVP notice board in Advent Room

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sun. 22 nd March	9 am 11 am 5pm	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Helma Kennedy RIP Bernard Ramanankilana RIP Angelo Napolitano RIP	4pm: Stations of the Cross (Church)
Mon. 23 rd	NO MASS			8pm: SVP meeting (D.B. Room)
Tues. 24 th March	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am		Deceased members of Ducey family RIP	8pm: Pastoral Area Prayer Evening (AT ST. JOHN BOSCO CHURCH)
Wed. 25 th March	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am	Annunciation of the Lord	Special intention for Luyten family	7.30pm: Christ the King penit'l. service 8pm: 11am Choir practice (Church)
Thur. 26 th	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am		Kate Marriott - exams	7.45pm: <u>Home Group meeting</u> at 12 Brackendale Way; 0118 969 8595
Fri. 27 th March	9.20: Rosary 9.45am		Deceased members of Sanjurjo Fernandez family	10.30am: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 7.30pm: Stations of the Cross (Church)
Sun. 29 th March	9 am 11 am 5pm	Fifth Sunday of Lent	Elizabeth & Brian Caton RIP (Foundation Mass) Florence Allen Elvira Monopoli RIP; Ann Haggerty RIP	4pm: Stations of the Cross (Church)

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

Details for our CUBS/BEAVERS/SCOUTS groups until further notice:

CUBS Mondays 6.45pm at Scout Hut in grounds of Waingels College, Waingels Road, Woodley
BEAVERS Thursdays 5.30pm (NOTE EARLIER TIME!) at 2nd Woodley Scout HQ, Vauxhall Drive, Woodley
SCOUTS Fridays 8pm at 1st Woodley Scout HQ, the Close, Southlake Crescent, Woodley RG5 3QL

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

Mary Molony (1981), Richard Martin (2003), John Austen Fardy (2006), Joyce Hart (1990), Jorge Hortal (1999), Ray Dils (2002), Irene Hickson (1994), Elizabeth Caton (1999), Vera Secky (1979), and Daniel Lynch (2004).

THANK YOU: Patricia Johnston and her family would like to say thank you to everyone who attended Richard's funeral here on 24th February. Pat and her family would also like to thank you for the many kind letters and Mass cards they have received. Your attendance and kind thoughts are much appreciated



St. John Bosco parish - Lenten Reflections on the theme of CAFOD's "The Call of Creation" continue on **Tuesday afternoons** of Lent. All welcome whenever you feel able to attend. Next session - Tuesday 24th March at 2pm in SJB Parish Centre

Christ the King parish - the series of talks on Sunday afternoons of Lent continue in Christ the King Parish Hall at **3.30pm**, followed by Evening Prayer and Benediction. Next session: TODAY Sunday 22nd March. See Advent Room poster for details of each talk

The next ecumenical Julian meeting of contemplative prayer will be held on Thursday 26th March in the Upper Room at Abbey Baptist Church. Session will run from 10am to 10.45am - followed by coffee for those who wish to stay

Christ the King Car Boot Sale on Saturday 28th March, 10am - 1pm (set up from 9am). See posters in Advent Room & outside Lady Chapel for details. Car £5; Large vehicle £10. All proceeds for Christ the King church 50th Jubilee fund

Life JUMBLE SALE - Saturday 28th March, 1pm at English Martyrs Church Hall, Liebenrood Road, Reading. Admission: 20p. Refreshments available

LIFE: after advertising the NFCE level 3 counselling skills course, due to several inquiries from people seeking a shorter, more basic course, Life is now also going to hold an NFCE Level 2 **Counselling Skills course** starting after Easter. Please see small pink poster in DB Room for details. To book a place ring Nicki Richardson on 01993 881081 or visit the website <http://training.lifecharity.org.uk/>

RBH Catholic Chaplaincy: The Catholic Chaplaincy at the Royal Berkshire Hospital has lost 10 weekend Eucharistic Ministers within the last year. We are therefore looking for serving Ministers of Communion who would be prepared to join us and take Holy Communion to the patients. After training, the commitment would be for about an hour on a Saturday and a little longer on a Sunday, one weekend in four or five depending on numbers.

If you feel able to help us and would like more information please phone Sidney 01189 692930 or Claire 01189 666647. Thank you

From CTEER: Good Friday Outdoor Service - you are all invited to an outdoor service on Good Friday, 10th April. We will meet at 11am in the ASDA car park opposite Trinity Church, for ~½ hour of informal worship. We had a good time last year and it would be great if you could join us for 2009



CTEER: Easter Sunday open-air service of witness - Forbury Gardens Bandstand, Sunday 12th April at 8am. See in Easter morning with other Christians from local area

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

The **PARISH OFFICE** is **OPEN** this week **Tuesday - Friday** from **9am - 2pm**