

Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi

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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

26th April 2009

Third Sunday of Easter

Year B



• Offertory collection 19th April:

Envelopes £110.60
Loose cash £389.19
Standing Orders £626.00

Total: £1125.79


- Special collection on Good Friday for **Holy Places** raised a total of **£448.66**

Thank you for
all your kind donations

**And thank you very much
for your generous Easter
offering for Father Anthony**

- Special collection TODAY Sunday 26th April for the **Clergy Training Fund** - a fund to help with the training of students to the priesthood

Next Sunday 3rd May, the fourth Sunday of Easter, is known as Good Shepherd Sunday and has been set aside as the World Day of Prayer for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life

 **My Day by Day - the MAY edition** is now available in Advent Room - only **£1 per copy**.

Please leave money in basket

Next **Home Group meeting** is on **Thursday 7th May** at 12 Brackendale Way, Earley, at 7.45 for 8pm.

All Welcome. For more information or to confirm attendance please call Melly on 0118 9698595

ALL our weekday Masses are at 9.45am, Tues.-Fri. with **Rosary** said beforehand at ~9:20am

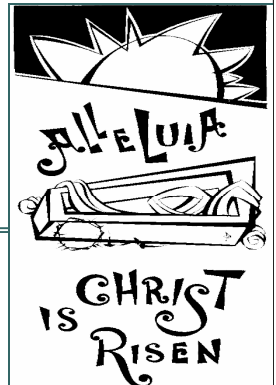
CONFESSIONS will be heard on the **first Friday of each month after our morning Mass, i.e. THIS FRIDAY,** in the Confessional

Thought for the week

The resurrection of Jesus is our hope. Hope is at work when the believer knows what Jesus did by His death and resurrection: through the resurrection of Jesus, hope has been restored to all Christians. We can now shout the loudest 'Alleluia' because our Lord has risen. We have the whole evidence and we equally are the true witnesses to it (Acts 3:15).

Therefore, let us go out boldly with the light of truth and give testimony to all of what we have heard and seen. Jesus had warned His disciples that in the world some will stand against this truth, but that they should be faithful because He (Jesus) has overcome the world (John 16:33). As you proclaim this message, may you really be blessed.

Father Albert



**Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.
Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.
Alleluia!**

Our next **Pastoral Area Prayer Evening** will be held **here** on **Tuesday 28th April** from 8pm to 9:45pm. Everyone from our Pastoral Area is invited to attend.

For more details please call Melly: 0118 9698595

Walsingham Pilgrimage, 9th May: from Christ the King - see pale green posters in Advent Room for final details of the trip to Walsingham on **Sat. 9th May**, including a letter from Father Bruce with details of times, what to bring, etc.. Please ensure you have **paid in full!**



First Communion Day for our parish - **Saturday 16th May at 11 am:**

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS for the following duties.

Welcome and ushers - 6 persons;

Ministers of Communion - 3 persons;

Refreshments after Mass - 4 persons;

Car park - 2 persons; road car parking - 2 persons.

Please sign up on the sheet in the Advent Room

or drop a note into the Parish Office. Thank you in advance

CYG.net - our parish Youth Group CYG.net now has a programme of events and meetings for 2009; see **programme on notice board in Dominic Barberi Room**. Events include 24th-26th April - Therapy@Ealing in London; 17th May - Mime Evening here at OLOP



Coming Soon!! "Chopin++ Charity Gala Concert" on **Saturday 16th May**

in support of Reading Samaritans and the United Church of Zambia.

Well-known Chopin numbers, piano duets and other popular pieces will be performed. Many of the pianists are from OLOP, and Park Church have kindly agreed to host the event in their main Hall (next to Palmer Park).

Matinee (2:30 pm): £5 Single, £8 Double, £12 Family. Evening (7:30 pm): £6 Single, £10 Double, £15 Family. Tickets and further information from David/Mary Holland 07831 532472 or midnight.chardonnay@tiscali.co.uk

Latest news on our halls: following on from the burst water main at the start of the year, our halls have now dried out and the reinstatement works project for rebuilding of the floor is currently out to tender. We hope to have a contractor appointed and on board by the beginning of June with an anticipated completion date in August.

So our halls and Social Club will be out of action until August.

Thank you to all users for your patience and understanding

MASS TIMES and PARISH DIARY 25th APRIL - 3rd MAY 2009

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sat. 25 th	NO MASS	St. Mark	11am: First Holy Communion Reconciliation service (in Church)	
Sunday 26 th April	9 am 11 am 5pm	Third Sunday of Easter	Nkem & Emmanuel Ezekwe Florence Allen Delia Broderick RIP (rec. dec.)	
Mon. 27 th	NO MASS			8pm: Baptism Prep.ⁿ session 2 (D.B. Room)
Tues. 28 th	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am	St. Peter Chanel	Mary Norris RIP	8pm: Pastoral Area prayer evening (church)
Wednes. 29 th April	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am	St. Catherine of Sienna	Peggy Atkinson RIP (SVP)	8pm: 9am Choir practice (Church)
Thursday 30 th April	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am	St. Pius V, Pope	Andrew, Maria and family	8pm: Liturgy Group meeting (D.B. Room)
Friday 1 st May	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am	St. Joseph the Worker	Jude & Viran Gunasekera and intentions of Abey family	10.30am: Adoration of Bl. Sacrament; Confessions heard (in Confessional)
Sat. 2 nd	NO MASS	St. Athanasius		
Sunday 3 rd May	9 am 11 am 5pm	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Pegs Goodwin-Pettit Anne & George Dalloz RIP Matt, Bridie and family	

*** CHILDREN'S LITURGY RE-STARTS today - at 9am and 11am Masses each week ***

Details for our CUBS/BEAVERS/SCOUTS groups while our hall is out of action:

CUBS Mondays 6.45pm at Scout Hut in grounds of Waingels College, Waingels Road, Woodley
BEAVERS Thursdays 5.30pm 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:

Maria Mastrocola (2002), Mary Orrom (1980), Maria Jordan (2005), and Margaret Horslett (1990).



Calling all Mothers! 'MOTHER'S PRAYERS' group meets every Friday afternoon to pray for our children & families. We are a small, informal and friendly group, who have been meeting for over a year now, and we are always happy to welcome newcomers to the group. To find out more please contact Claire Wong: 0118 9266 988 or e-mail claireandkids@googlemail.com

From St. John Bosco: Woodley Jumbulance Group has vacancies for two volunteer helpers for their holiday to Brittany from 24th-31st August 2009. No overnight travel. Anyone who would like to volunteer or would like more information please contact John Gill 9694769, Marie O'Gorman 9691927, or Anne MacDonald 9585841

From a PPC member: Carole, a 20-year-old French student would like to come to the UK this July and August to improve her English. She is looking for a position as an au pair or home help etc. since she is flexible. She is a friend of my family so if you would like any more details please contact Isabelle at 0118 975 0813. Thank you

St. Joseph's Convent School - Open Morning for prospective parents & pupils on Wed. 6th May from 9.15am-12.15pm for Preparatory, Senior & Sixth Form Departments (ages 3 to 18). No appointment necessary, simply drop in. Further details: www.st-josephs.reading.sch.uk or Tel. 0118 966 1000. Scholarships & bursaries are available. See leaflets in Advent Room

The **Portsmouth Diocese Rosary Rally** (Crusade) this year is being held at St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth on Sat. 16th May. Begins with Mass at 12.15pm followed by recitation of the Rosary in Procession, led by the Statue of Our Lady surrounded by flowers. Please join this special occasion in honour of Our Blessed Lady! See poster in Advent Room for more details

Advance notice - Reading Faith Forum meeting at South Street Mosque (Corner of Sidmouth St. & South St.) on Wed. 3rd June at 2pm. Michael Coughlin, Chief Executive Officer of Reading Borough Council will be answering questions from all faith communities. **Please send in your question by Mon. 11th May** to jan@strongertogether.org.uk

Reading Churches Men's Breakfast - on Sat. 16th May at Blue Coat School. See light green poster in Advent Room for details

Job vacancy: see posters in Advent Room - current vacancies include Shop and Support Centre Supervisor for **Christian Community Action** in Whitley (Northumberland Road), and several vacancies at **Reading YMCA**

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 each week from **Tuesday - Friday, 9am - 2pm**