

# Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi

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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

2<sup>nd</sup> August 2009

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

## • Offertory collection 26<sup>th</sup> July:


Envelopes £128.50  
Loose cash £360.09  
Standing Orders £626.00  
**Total: £1114.59**

## • Special collection for Day for Life raised total of **£292.00**

Thank you  
for your kind donations

**DON'T FORGET!**  
Our Mass this Friday  
is at **7.30pm**

## Want to help run parish "Wednesday Club"?

 Our parish's Wednesday Club for Senior Citizens has been running for over 35 years and is a chance for senior citizens to get together, chat, play bingo, etc. Angela and Pat will now not be running it, having done a sterling job for all these years. Unless new volunteers want to take over, there will be no such club in future - when our hall re-opens (next week) the Wednesday Club will not re-start unless there is interest and help. So, if you can help, **please contact Jane in the Parish Office ASAP**



August issue of **My day by Day** now available in Advent Room, **£1 per copy.**  
Leave money in basket

**CONFESSIONS** will be heard in the confessional on **first Friday of each month (i.e. next one: THIS Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Aug.), from 6.30pm** before Mass which is at 7.30pm on these Fridays;  
**OR** by appointment

## Give us life

The greatest gift that we have is our lives; every other thing we have revolves around our lives. We have friends, family and possessions because we are alive. One can understand why the people in the gospel of John said to Jesus, "Give us that bread always". In the same text Jesus made reference to the bread as life when He said, "I am the bread of life..."

Our desire is to be for God and God for us; every other thing will follow as God's gift. Other things that we hold so dear will vanish at some stage in our lives, but God's love is everlasting. Desire God more than anything else because He gives life.

Fr. Anthony



*"Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you"*

We warmly welcome to our parish community **Freya Joyce Gould** and her family as we celebrate her baptism at 11am Mass today

## 1<sup>st</sup> HOLY COMMUNION 2010 - NEW PROGRAM....

### LEADERS/HELPERS NEEDED

for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion program commencing September 2009 for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Mass in May 2010. Carmel Keightley will lead the programme and welcomes assistance. If you can help with this important task for our parish, **please contact Jane in Parish Office ASAP**

### ENROLMENT OF CHILDREN -

If you will soon start school Year 3, will be 8 years old between 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. 2009 and 31<sup>st</sup> Aug. 2010, and if you feel ready, you are eligible to join our next parish 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion preparation program. Parents of these children should **please write to Fr. Anthony c/o Parish Office by 8<sup>th</sup> September** with the child's name, date of birth, date & place of baptism, and the parents' names, address, phone number & e-mail contact details. Please mark envelope "1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion 2010". Further details of the program will then be passed on

### PORTSMOUTH PEOPLE - NEW ISSUE NOW AVAILABLE;

**take a copy.** Includes 2 great articles and pictures about Father Gerard Flynn (our former priest at neighbouring Christ the King); and an invitation to our young people to make the most of the opportunity to visit the relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Also now available - copies of the **Catholic Times**, only £1 (near Repository)

### SWINE FLU EPIDEMIC

As you know, the Bishop has issued the following regulations for use during the current swine flu epidemic.

Therefore until further notice, here and at every church in our Diocese:

1. The **Sign of Peace** during Mass - instead of a handshake, members of congregation are asked to turn to their neighbours, bow slightly and say, "Peace be with you".
2. **Holy Communion** is to be given **only on the hand, not on the tongue or from the chalice.**
3. **Ministers of the Sacred Host** are asked to **ensure their hands are washed with sanitizers** (provided in Sacristy) **before and after ministering communion.**

These regulations will remain in place until further notice.

They have been made out of particular pastoral concern for the vulnerable - namely children, the elderly, and those with underlying health problems.  
**Sanitizers have also been provided for all parishioners to cleanse their hands** upon entrance to church (in Advent Room and by entrance near Lady Chapel)

**Do you have any broken/incomplete ROSARY BEADS? Please bring them here!**

**MASS TIMES and PARISH DIARY 2<sup>nd</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2009**

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug.	9 am 11 am 5pm	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time</b>	Filomena Colella RIP Charles Sealey Ann Taylor RIP	<b>Baptism:</b> <u>Freya Joyce Gould</u>
Mon. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>NO MASS</b>			
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	<b>9.20: Rosary</b> 9.45 am	St. John Vianney	Margaret and Jack Hennessy	<b>2.15pm:</b> UCM meeting (D.B. Room)
Wednes. 5 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	<b>9.20: Rosary</b> 9.45 am	Dedic'n. of Basilica of St. Mary Major	Joseph Smyth intentions	<b>8pm:</b> 9am Choir practice (Church) 8pm: Club Board meeting (D.B. Room)
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	<b>9.20: Rosary</b> 9.45 am	Transfiguration of the Lord	Jude and Viran Gunasekera	
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	<b>7.30pm</b>	St. Sixtus II, Pope	Bruce and Angela Bentley	<b>6.30pm: Adoration of Bl. Sacrament,</b> and <b>Confessions</b> (in confessional)
Sat. 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO MASS</b>	St. Dominic		
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	9 am 11 am 5pm	<b>19<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time</b>	John Cunningham RIP Paula Moorehouse RIP Ferenc Sisitka RIP	

\*\*\* **NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY during summer holidays - back in September** \*\*\*

\*\*\* **No Beavers/Cubs/Scouts during summer holidays - back in September & in OUR HALL** \*\*\*



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

Annie Duffy (1999), John Nottingham (1978), Ronald Miles (1992), Gus Watters (1994), Elizabeth Budd (1990), Happiness Salim (2004), Ruth Dady (1975), Kathleen Kulan (2001), and Gerry Stander Batt (1975).



**Holy Day of Obligation - Reminder:** the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (15<sup>th</sup> August) is this year transferred to Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August

**FOR OUR PASTORAL AREA - JOIN US**

During the visit of **Relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux** to Portsmouth Cathedral, our Pastoral Area has been asked to lead a half-hour slot from midnight on Wed. 16<sup>th</sup> Sept., focused on the fourth Station of the Cross - Jesus and His Mother. If you would like to take part in this vigil, please **sign up on sheet in Advent Room (above the font) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**, and fill in whether you are driving/need a lift. **NEW LEAFLETS NOW AVAILABLE** from Advent Room for further details of visit of the relics and why it's important to venerate such relics

**Blessed Hugh Faringdon School:**

see peach-coloured newsletter in Advent Room for latest news from the school, including staff changes and term dates for the next academic year

**Reading Churches Men's Group** - Special Breakfast with Jackie Pullinger as guest speaker: TICKETED EVENT at the Cedar Room, Reading Uni., on Sat. 5<sup>th</sup> September - 8.30am breakfast followed by Jackie's talk. Ends ~10:30am. Cost: £10 per person. **Book tickets before 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. at latest.** See poster in Advent Room for ticket details

**THE BISHOP IS COMING - DATES FOR DIARY:** 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> September will be a celebration of our newly-opened Hall complex. **On Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September Bishop Crispian will say our 11am Mass** and in the afternoon we'll have a Parish Fair - BBQ & international food, Bouncy Castle, stalls, face painting, fun events etc. **If you have ideas please contact Pat Wells.** On evening of Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. we'd like to have a Variety Show - 'OLOP has Talent'. Do you have a party piece you could share? Success of this will depend on getting enough volunteers, so please come forward ASAP. **We need your enthusiasm and input. Please don't wait to be asked!** Contact Pat via Parish Office - bring your ideas to make the weekend a success

**Cabrini Children's Society** is holding two **family charity days** in conjunction with

Surrey Gliding School at Kenley Airfield, Surrey. The first will be in September (date to be decided) & the second on Bank Holiday Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2010. A 15-minute flight will cost £45 and a barbecue including drinks will be held later in the day. Due to expected popularity of this, we would be grateful if you could **let the Society know as soon as possible if you are interested** by contacting Ann Hoggan on 020 8668 2181 or e-mail [ann.hoggan@cabrini.org.uk](mailto:ann.hoggan@cabrini.org.uk)

**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

Parish Office is **OPEN** this week Tuesday - Friday from 9am - 2pm and will be **CLOSED** from Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August inclusive