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PART OF THE LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

9<sup>th</sup> August 2009

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

Year B

## • Offertory collection

2<sup>nd</sup> August:

Envelopes £101.95

Loose cash £491.97

Standing Orders £626.00

**Total: £1219.92**

Thank you  
for your kind donations

## REMINDER -

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switch off  
mobile phones  
when entering church



## Life is only through Christ

We have been reflecting on bread and sustenance for a couple of weeks now. The bottom line is that food is essential if life is to continue but, more importantly, the spiritual food that Jesus offers to us is even more essential to help us achieve our goal (eternal happiness).

But what can we pull out of this? Simply that the moment we receive this gift of life of Jesus, it is a gift of a new relationship which implies sacrificial love; selfless service; forgiveness, which gives birth to God's mercy, goodness and loving kindness; and more interestingly obedience and trust, which in turn yield abundant life, peace and happiness.

Who wouldn't desire a good life? Ask the Holy Spirit for the grace to gain the *real* life.

Fr. Anthony



*"I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.  
Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever"*

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES:

- **RCIA course** starts in September; phone Parish Office for further details
- Next **BAPTISM** preparation sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> October - each at 8pm here. If you wish to celebrate a baptism, please complete a baptism form (available in Advent Room) and return it to the Parish Office
- **CONFIRMATION** is held every two years, so our next program will start in ~September 2010 ready to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2011

## 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



**Our HALLS will RE-OPEN TOMORROW** - welcome back to all our regulars and thank you for your patience!

The **SOCIAL CLUB** will re-open on **Fri. 14<sup>th</sup> August** - Tim and Danny have agreed to cut the ribbon at **19.30pm prompt**. We are planning a series of events; *see copies of club news*

**CONFESSIONS** will be heard in the confessional on **first Friday of each month from 6.30pm** (next: Fri. 4<sup>th</sup> Sept.) before Mass which is at **7.30pm on these Fridays;** or by appointment

**PORTSMOUTH PEOPLE - August/September issue is NOW AVAILABLE;** take a copy from Advent Room or outside Lady Chapel.

Includes 2 articles by, and pictures of, Fr. Gerard Flynn (former priest at parish of Christ the King), and an invitation to all young people to make the most of the opportunity to visit the relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux in Portsmouth Cathedral

**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. **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

**MASS TIMES and PARISH DIARY 9<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2009**

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	PARISH DIARY
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	
Mon. 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO MASS</b>	St. Lawrence		<b>8pm:</b> SVP meeting (D.B. Room)
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	<b>9.20: Rosary</b> 9.45 am	St. Clare	Gill Dunne RIP	
Wednes. 12 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	<b>9.20: Rosary</b> 9.45 am	St. Jane Frances de Chantal	Sylvia Hack	<b>8pm:</b> 11am Choir practice (Church)
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	<b>9.20: Rosary</b> 9.45 am	St. Hippolytus	Kathleen Short	<b>7.45pm: PPC meeting</b> (D.B. Room)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	<b>9.20: Rosary</b> 9.45 am	St. Maximilian Kolbe	Humberto Davila RIP	
Sat. 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO MASS</b>			
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	9 am 11 am 5pm	<b>Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	John Cunningham RIP Peter and Cathy Snashall RIP; Peter & Cora Thwaites wedd <sup>g</sup> . ann. Evelyn Brooks - quick recovery	<b>Baptisms:</b> <u>Lilly-Mai Stenson</u> and <u>Dylan James Stenson</u>

\*\*\* **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:**


Mary Silvester (1993), Sarah Doyle (1982) and Annie Duffy (1999).

**NEXT WEEK:**

**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 NEXT 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

**St. Joseph's Convent School - Open Days** for prospective pupils and parents: Mon. 14<sup>th</sup> Sept., 9.15am-12.15pm for both Preparatory and Senior Departments; and Wed. 7<sup>th</sup> October - 2.30pm-4.30pm for the Prep Department, and 6.30pm-9pm for the Senior Dept. and Sixth Form. No appointment necessary, simply drop in. For further details: [www.st-josephs.reading.sch.uk](http://www.st-josephs.reading.sch.uk) or ring the school office: 0118 966 1000

**ADORE - Alton Day Of Renewal** - Next meeting: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug. at St. Lucy's Convent, Medstead Manor, Medstead GU34 5LL. The theme for this year is **CHRIST CRUCIFIED - WHY?** Starts with Rosary at 11am; service at 11.30am, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Shared lunch at 1pm. Main talk at 2.30pm - Judith Aylmer speaking on 'To fulfil the scriptures'. Ends ~4.30pm. Collection to cover expenses. For more information, please ring Revd. Deacon John Foley on 01189 333420 or see poster in Advent Room. Next month's meeting - Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> September; **speaker: Peter Hobbs** - 'To bear witness to the truth'

**Cabrini Children's Society** is holding a **family charity day** in conjunction with Surrey Gliding School at Kenley Airfield, Surrey on Bank Holiday Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2010 (the other day in September has been cancelled). A 15-minute flight (subject to weather conditions) will cost £45 and a barbecue including drinks will be held later in the day. Due to the 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 Ikhonoba **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 so **NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER WILL BE FOR 2 WEEKS**