

Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi

CONFESSIONS

will next be heard in the confessional on the FIRST FRIDAY OF FEBRUARY (5th Feb.) from 6.30pm, or by appointment



• Offertory collection 10th January:

Envelopes £76.00
Loose cash £314.69
Standing Orders £640.50

Total: £1031.19



• Special collection for SPUC (White Flower appeal) raised a total of **£89.62**

Thank you for the warmth of your generosity in spite of the weather

A big thank you to all who have helped clear snow from our car park recently - to all 9am & 11am Mass attendees last weekend, and to Paul & Tony before Wednesday's funeral. Thank you all so much - let's hope you can stand down & rest now!

NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

IMPORTANT! Liturgy Group meeting this **Thursday 21st January at 8pm in D.B. Room**



PANTOMIME: BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

NEXT WEEKEND, on Saturday 23rd January at 2.30pm & 7.00pm your **Parish Pantomime** group

invite you to come along and enter their **'Midwinter Night's Dream'**.

Tickets: £2 single, £5 family - **available after Masses TODAY** (17th January) - or booked with Ann, woolleya78@btinternet.com After over ten years of productions the present 'team' have decided to step down so this will be their last 'offering' and they would therefore like to invite any past members of the group and/or their families to join them for a celebratory drink in the hall after 'the last performance'!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MEETING:

due to the weather, we had to cancel last week's meeting (on 10th Jan.), so our next 1st Holy Communion meeting to **replace it will be on Sunday 24th January, at 2pm in church. See you all then!**



St. Joseph's Convent School: OPEN MORNING on Tuesday 26th January - see poster in Advent Room

Wednesday Club - Our first meeting of the New Year was cancelled this week (13th January) due to the snow, but we hope to see you at our **next meeting** which is on **Wed. 27th January**

Our next **Pastoral Area Prayer Evening** will be held on Tuesday 26th January from 8pm to 9.45pm here at our church. Everyone is invited to attend. The theme is 'New Beginnings' - to pray and find the grace to do God's work, with a talk given by **John Allinson**. The prayer evening will be an opportunity to consider how we can start afresh and work together in the New Year. To confirm attendance and for further information, contact Mel on 0118 9698595 or e-mail 2jand2m@talktalk.net

St. Dominic Savio School: CONSULTATION -

ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2011: As required by new regulations, the governing body of St. Dominic Savio Catholic Primary School will be conducting a consultation on its proposed admissions policy for the school year 2011-2012. The consultation period runs for a minimum period of 8 weeks from 5th January to 28th February 2010. Copies of the proposed policy can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website: www.st-dominicsavio.wokingham.sch.uk Comments on policy should be sent to the clerk to the governors at the school by 28th February. The governing body will consider all comments received before determining the policy by 15th April 2010

OUR HALLS: Having a party? Celebrating an anniversary? Getting married? Holding a meeting? Whatever it is, we can help. **Use your parish complex and hire one of the halls;** both have kitchens and the small one has a patio attached. E-mail or phone Margaret (details at top of newsletter) and she will be happy to discuss your requirements & the hire charges. Remember - parishioners receive discounted rates!



NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS



Thank you - Christian Community Action Support Centre staff have written to express their thanks for your generous donations of Christmas gifts you provided for their clients, for our Advent Giving Tree appeal. See the letter on notice board in Advent Room. "I would like to add my personal thanks for enabling us to not only bring joy to so many children but to ease some of the stress and worry of their parents as they struggle to make ends meet. The staff were overwhelmed by your generosity and our clients were truly grateful - a wonderful demonstration of God's love, by meeting people's practical needs. Thank you again."
Ann-Marie Paterson, Managing Director CCA

Christian Aid have also sent a letter thanking all who helped at our "Come Sing for Christian Aid" carol evening in December, which raised **£175!** Thank you

ST. JOHN BOSCO 40TH ANNIVERSARY: This year, our neighbouring church of St. John Bosco in Woodley is celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the completion of the building in Western Avenue. There are many events planned throughout the year - something for everyone! Please check the SJB newsletters, on display in Advent Room/outside D.B. Room, to see the dates of events. First celebratory event is **31st January - 10am: Mass with Mgr. Tom McGrath** (Vicar General) to celebrate **feast of St. John Bosco**, and breakfast for all afterwards in the school hall

The Office is open this week from **Tuesday to Friday, 9am - 2pm** (weather permitting!)

LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN OUR 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 PRIEST FIRST

MASS TIMES and DIARY 17th - 24th JANUARY 2010

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	DIARY
Sunday 17 th Jan.	9 am 11 am 5 pm	2nd Sunday Ordinary Time	Martin Brannelly RIP John & Katie Hogan Bridie Curley RIP	After Masses - BUY YOUR PANTO TICKETS!
Mon. 18 th	NO MASS			8pm: SVP meeting (D.B. Room)
Tuesday 19 th Jan.	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am	St. Wulstan	Tess Kenna	8pm: <u>Baptism Preparation Session 2</u> (D.B. Room)
Wednes. 20 th Jan.	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am	St. Sebastian	Bridie Waters RIP	8pm: 9am Choir practice
Thursday 21 st Jan.	9.20: Rosary	St. Agnes	William Norris RIP	7.45pm: Home Group meeting* 8pm: Liturgy Gp. mtg. (D.B. Room)
Friday 22 nd Jan.	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am	St. Vincent	Robert Marshall RIP	
Sat. 23 rd	NO MASS			2.30pm/7pm - PANTOMIME! (Hall)
Sunday 24 th Jan.	9 am 11 am 5 pm	3rd Sunday Ordinary Time	Peter & Sarah Hobbs - congratulations Joseph & Roseline Fernando Terry Dempsey RIP	2pm: 1st Holy Communion meeting (Church/D.B. Room)

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

CUBS Mondays 6.45pm / BEAVERS Thursdays 5.30pm / SCOUTS Fridays 8pm each week in



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

Josephine Gainey (1997), Maud Thomas (1981), Caroline Abram (1998), Michael Lynch (1986), Charles Farr (1996), David Brown (1997), and Reg Oakman (2006).

***Home Group** - Please note change in venue for the first meeting for this year. The next Home Group meeting is on Thursday 21st January at 8 Thyme Close, Lower Earley, RG6 5XU at 7.45 for 8pm. **Prompt start!** Please confirm your attendance to Mel on e-mail: 2jand2m@talktalk.net or phone 0118 9441534



WANTED - Violinist and/or woodwind instrumentalist

to play with a small folk group for a St. Patrick's Day Celebration (17th March). Must be aged 18 or over. If interested, please leave your contact details with the Parish Office



CAFOD SUPPORTERS DAY - Saturday 6th February, at St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Queens Road, Aldershot, Hants., GU11 3JB, 10.30am-40pm. An opportunity for all CAFOD supporters across Diocese to get together and hear about plans to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Lent Fast Day; led by our Spirituality Team reflecting on and praying in solidarity. Refreshments provided - **please bring your own lunch**. Please note there is limited parking at venue, but there is a car park (Warburg car park, Alexandra Road) only 5 minutes away - car park fares will be reimbursed. The venue is a few minutes away from Aldershot train station. Everybody is welcome -

booking is recommended; please contact the CAFOD Portsmouth Office at portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or Tel: 01252 329385

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LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

17th January 2010 Year C
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Special Guest

Some guests you welcome into your homes sometimes leave a lasting impression with us - some good and others not so great. There is one guest that we must seek to invite into our homes; that special guest is Jesus Christ. When Jesus enters your home, nothing remains the same. He brings in life and goodness and God lets His glory shine. There are several examples in the gospels where Jesus brought about healing and joy with His presence. Jesus is waiting this year to be invited into your home. It is worth trying.

Fr. Anthony

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit.... The Spirit distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses

Due to the massive earthquake recently in Haiti, CAFOD have asked us to hold a special collection today for the **CAFOD Haiti earthquake appeal**. We appreciate that there are many appeals throughout the year, and that this was unexpected, but we hope that many will want to help and will appreciate being given the opportunity to give. Thank you in advance