

Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi

CONFESSIONS will be heard in the confessional on the **FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH, i.e. Friday 5th March, from 6.30pm,** or by appointment



• Offertory collection 14th February:

Envelopes £124.90
Loose cash £389.58
Standing Orders £646.50
Total: £1160.98

• Special collection for **Cabrini Children's Society** raised a total of **£270.27**

Thank you for your kind donations

• Special collection **NEXT Sunday 28th February** is for **CAFOD Lent Day**, which is **THIS FRIDAY 26th Feb.** - please **take a CAFOD envelope today** and bring it back next Sunday for the retiring collection.



Lent Fast Day anniversary- **Fri. 26th Feb.** marks the **50th anniversary of Lent Fast Day.** Over the last 50 years, more than £65 million has been raised by ordinary people at Lent Fast Day, which has transformed the lives of thousands of people living in extreme poverty throughout Africa, Asia and Latin America. This year, why not give something up for Lent and donate the money you save to CAFOD? Your fasting could help grow food for others this Lent!

NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

URGENT

You will know that Fr. Anthony's parents have been trying for some time to visit Fr. Anthony here in Reading, but they had their visa application turned down. We are mounting a petition to ask the local MP - John Redwood - to take this up with the Home Office and British High Commission in Nigeria. **Please show your support for Fr. Anthony and his parents by signing the petition in the Advent Room** (if you didn't sign it last Sunday). Your signature is a powerful tool, so use it to support Fr. Anthony!



MASS TIMES and DIARY 21st - 28th FEBRUARY 2010



DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	DIARY
Sunday 21 st Feb.	9 am 11 am 5 pm	1st Sunday of Lent	Philip Walker RIP Dr. Aroboyi Jagba -40 th b'day; Harold Auch Kathleen Hogben RIP	NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY 1pm: Fr. Anthony - marriage meeting 4pm: Stations of the Cross
Mon. 22 nd	NO MASS	Chair of St. Peter		
Tuesday 23 rd Feb.	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am	St. Polycarp; St. Titus Brandsma	Kath Hogben RIP (SVP)	
Wednes. 24 th Feb.	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am		Marie Keeler	2pm: Wed. Club (Carl Barton Room) 8pm: 11am Choir practice (Church)
Thursday 25 th Feb.	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am		Holy Souls	
Friday 26 th Feb.	9.20: Rosary 9.45 am		Jane Bartington RIP; Florence Dauncey RIP (anniv.)	1.30pm: Mothers' Prayers (in church) 6.30pm: Soup (in D. B. Room) 7.30pm: Stations of the Cross
Saturday 27 th Feb.	NO MASS			9.30am: Fr. Anthony - marriage meeting 11am-4pm: Marriage Preparation - Session 1 (in D. B. Room)
Sunday 28 th Feb.	9 am 11 am 5 pm	2nd Sunday of Lent	Jean Bartington RIP Cofone Francesco RIP Con Harvey RIP	CHILDREN'S LITURGY RETURNS 2pm: Fr. Anthony - marriage meeting 4pm: Stations of the Cross

***** NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY during half term - back next Sunday 28th February *****

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



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

Frances Newman (1983), Gerald O'Sullivan (1992), Edgar Wheeler (1994), Tadeusz Wielogorski (2006), and Jane [Jean] Bartington (2008).



Age 16 to 35? Come to **World Youth Day** in Madrid, 9th-23rd August 2011. Pick up an Information Sheet and Registration Form from back of church or speak to Norma Shields 0118 9668957.
Registration deadline is 31st March 2010

! DURING LENT, ALL OUR FRIDAY MASSES WILL BE AT 9.45am. On first Friday of the month, Friday 5th March, Mass will be at 9.45am and confessions will be heard from 6.30pm as usual, during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Stations of the Cross in church at 7.30pm. PLEASE NOTE - there will be **NO SOUP offered from 6.30pm on Friday 5th March, to ensure silence during Adoration**

NEXT SUNDAY

True Adventure Expedition Vietnam 2011: **Stephanie Ezekwe** will be going on an expedition to Vietnam with a group of girls from her school, Kendrick. During the expedition, the group will work on a community project that they hope will benefit the local people in the long term.
She will be running the Green Park Challenge, dressed as a superhero, on 21st March to raise money for the expedition. Sponsorship and donations would be much appreciated. Stephanie will be collecting sponsorship and donations after each Mass next week, on Sunday 28th February - so next Sunday **please stay after Mass and sponsor Stephanie!**
Thank you



**SOUP OF THE DAY...
WITH A CHANCE TO PRAY**



Two opportunities on Fridays in Lent to have 'Soup for Body and Soul'!

1. Every Friday afternoon at 12 noon there will be 15 minutes of prayer and reflection followed by a Soup Lunch;
2. Every Friday evening [but NOT on 5TH MARCH!] there will be a chance to partake of a 'fasting meal' before Stations of the Cross at 7.30 pm. Soup, rolls & fruit will be served from 6.30 pm. All will receive a warm welcome - whether coming from home or straight from work.

Donations on all occasions will go to CAFOD

THIS WEEK

Pastoral Area Prayer Evening -

Tues. 23rd February here at our Church from **8pm.** Lent - Renew your thinking: Lent is a time of renewal and transformation, responding to Jesus's challenge to 'repent and believe the Gospel'. This Pastoral Area Prayer Meeting is an opportunity to begin this journey together and will hopefully get us off to a good start. Join us!


WEDNESDAY CLUB next meeting - Wed. 24th Feb. at 2pm in Carl Barton Room. If anyone would like to join us you would be very welcome - we have a game of bingo, a cup of tea and lots of friendly chat! Do let us know if you would like to come along. Tel: Melly 9698595 or Maggie 9887661

"Mothers' Prayers" will take place at OLOP in main church **every Friday during Lent at 1.30pm.** All Mothers welcome! Children also welcome - colouring pencils & sheets provided

...Details next week of our Lenten Penitential Services...



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 

Annual Novena to St. Joseph: all are invited to join the Mill Hill Community for special Novena of Masses & prayers. The Novena Masses will be offered in St. Joseph's Church, Cookham Road, Maidenhead from Wed. 10th March to Thurs. 18th March - see posters in Advent Room for further details

LAST CHANCE!

St. Dominic Savio School: CONSULTATION -

ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2011: the governing body of St. Dominic Savio Catholic Primary School is conducting a consultation on its proposed admissions policy for the school year 2011-2012. Consultation period runs to 28th February 2010. Copies of proposed policy can be obtained from school office or downloaded from school website: www.st-dominicsavio.wokingham.sch.uk Comments on the 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

The local **Life Group** will shortly be selling Easter quiz sheets at £1 each; prizes awarded to all correct entries. Is there anyone in our parish willing to sell a few quiz sheets on behalf of Life? If you can help, please contact Kathleen Hamilton: 0118 942 9245

Life Issues Training Course: Do you have an interest in the work done by LIFE? A free 3-day course starts soon at St. Joseph's Church, Tilehurst. For details and to book a place, see poster in Advent Room



My Day By Day - Infant & Junior editions of the Lent issue are still available from Advent Room, only **50p** each

Next First Holy Communion meeting: NEXT Sunday 28th Feb., 2pm in church

The Office is open this week Tuesday to Friday, 9am - 2pm



LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

- ◆ **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



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LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA

21st February 2010 **Year C**
1st Sunday in Lent (*p. 73 of Mass book*)

Doubt not the power of God

What we face daily as we strive to be Christians, is no different from the experience of Jesus Christ at His temptation. The temptation of Jesus Christ came at a time when the devil thought it was probably irresistible for Jesus to fall for his bait. One thing the devil tried to do was to sew a seed of doubt in Jesus' heart: "If you are the Son of God...." So sometimes we begin to doubt, did God really say that? At that point, temptation begins to set in and one begins to doubt. Refuse to entertain such doubts and trust God in whatever He has said.



Fr. Anthony

Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God

During LENT, Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 7.30pm and every Sunday at 4pm.



All are welcome to attend on any day

