

# Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi

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



**• Offertory collection 21<sup>st</sup> February:**

Envelopes £145.00  
Loose cash £405.44  
Standing Orders £646.50  
**Total: £1196.94**

Thank you for your kind donations

• Special collection TODAY Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February is for **CAFOD Lent Day.**

Please return all CAFOD Fast Day envelopes in the retiring collections



## NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**Parish Census: THIS WEEKEND** we are carrying out a census to update our parishioner database. **We are asking ALL parishioners to fill in the census form attached to this newsletter (one form per household) during all of today's Masses,** even if you have previously completed a registration form. Spare forms will also be available in Advent Room for those not at Mass here today. Any completed forms not collected today should be returned to the church office as soon as possible.

Thank you for your co-operation

**TODAY**

Our next 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion meeting is **TODAY, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February,** at 2pm in church. See you all then!



**TODAY**



**Cygnets group** is meeting TONIGHT, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm ~9.30pm in Dominic Barberi Room to carry on the youth caFe programme. We would love for you to join us!



## MASS TIMES and DIARY 28<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY - 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2010



| DATE                          | TIME                           | DEDICATION                           | MASS INTENTION   | DIARY  |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb.  | 9 am<br>11 am<br>5 pm          | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> | Jean Bartington RIP<br>Cofone Francesco RIP;<br>Florence Dauncey RIP<br>Con Harvey RIP (Brid's father) | CHILDREN'S LITURGY RETURNS<br>2pm: Fr. Anthony - marriage meeting<br><b>4pm: Stations of the Cross</b>   |
| Mon. 1 <sup>st</sup>          | <b>NO MASS</b>                 | St. David                            |  | <b>8pm:</b> SVP meeting (D. B. Room)   |
| Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March | 9.20: Rosary<br>9.45 am        |                                      | Nan Laffey RIP (Foundation Mass)   | <b>2.15pm:</b> UCM meeting (D.B. Room)<br><b>7.45pm:</b> Children's Liturgy meeting  |
| Wednes. 3 <sup>rd</sup> March | 9.20: Rosary<br>9.45 am        |                                      | Holy Souls   | 6.30pm: Fr. A. - SJB First Confessions<br><b>8pm: Marriage prep. 2</b> (D.B. Room)<br><b>8pm:</b> 9am Choir practice (Church)                            |
| Thurs. 4 <sup>th</sup>        | 9.20: Rosary<br>9.45 am        | St. Casimir                          | Rev. D. Golding  | 7.45pm: Home Group (8 Thyme Close)   |
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March  | 9.20: Rosary<br><b>9.45 am</b> |                                      | Viran & Jude Gunasekera  | <b>1.30pm:</b> Mothers' Prayers (in church)<br>6.30pm: Soup (D. B. Room);<br>Adoration of Bl. Sacrament (Church)<br><b>7.30pm: Stations of the Cross</b> |
| Satur. 6 <sup>th</sup>        | <b>NO MASS</b>                 | St. Colette                          |  | 12 noon: <b>Baptism</b> - Michelle Dacouri Chica (Church)  |
| Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> March  | 9 am<br>11 am<br>5 pm          | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> | Marie Fahey RIP<br>Bernie & Gill Waters: 25 <sup>th</sup> anniv.<br>Family & friends of Mary Conway    | RCIA Scrutinies at Masses<br><b>4pm: Stations of the Cross</b>   |

\*\*\* CHILDREN'S LITURGY during 9am and 11am Masses each week - welcome back! \*\*\*

**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:**

Marie Fahey (1995), Nan Laffey (1997), Kenneth Adkins (1992), Marion Connell (1991), Bertha Britton (1997), and Franco Ribezzo (1997).



**TODAY**

**Stephanie Ezekwe** will be running the **Green Park Challenge, dressed as a superhero, on 21<sup>st</sup> March** to raise money for the True Adventure Vietnam 2011 Expedition. Sponsorship & donations would be much appreciated. **Stephanie will be collecting sponsorship and donations after each Mass today** - so please stay after Mass and sponsor Stephanie! Thank you

**DURING LENT, ALL FRIDAY MASSES WILL BE AT 9.45am.** This week, on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March, **confessions will be heard from 6.30pm** 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 this Fri. 5<sup>th</sup> March** to ensure silence during Adoration

**THIS WEEK**

**Women's World Day of Prayer:** Masses & services are being held nearby on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March,** including Mass at St. John Bosco at 10.30am, and at St. Luke's Church, Erleigh Road at 2pm. See poster in Advent Room for details

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



**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 5<sup>TH</sup> MARCH!] there will be a chance to partake of a 'fasting meal' before Stations of the Cross at 7.30 pm, with soup, rolls & fruit served from 6.30 pm.

**Donations on all occasions will go to CAFOD**

If anyone has any **unwanted soup bowls**, please donate them to our church so that Mel/Mary Holland can use them at our "soup gatherings" on Fridays in Lent! Thanks in advance

**NEXT SUNDAY**

We will have a **Traidcraft stall** here (in Advent Room) after each Mass next Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March to support **Fairtrade Fortnight**. Take a look!



'How Fair is Fairtrade? A producer's perspective' - a Fairtrade tea producer will give a lecture on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 7.30pm - Palmer Building room 109, Whiteknights Campus, University of Reading. Information and Fairtrade samples will be available. For more information: 0118 378 4121 or sara.johnson@reading.ac.uk

**Lenten Penitential (Reconciliation) Services  
in and near to our parish:**



Local churches are again offering Lent Reconciliation Services, each with several priests available for 1:1 confessions. This Lent, take one of these opportunities to be reconciled to God:

**HERE:** Wed. 24<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm -

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*(we expect at least 4 priests to be available)*

Thurs. 25<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm - St. J. Bosco, Woodley  
Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> March, 11am - English Martyrs, Reading  
Mon. 29<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm - Christ the King, Whitley  
Mon. 29<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm - St. Joseph's, Tilehurst

**Does anyone have a spare/unwanted bicycle?**  
One of our parishioners, a male Uni. Student, needs one - please see Fr. Anthony if you can help!

**Marriage prep. survey:** All those who have been involved with marriage preparation recently are invited and encouraged to take part in a brief online survey addressing their experiences. The survey is conducted by the Marriage & Family Life Committee of the Catholic Bishops' Conference to gather information on who is involved with marriage preparation and how it is conducted, to recognize areas of need and to affirm the benefits provided by marriage preparation. The survey can be found at <http://www.catholicmarriage.org.uk> Please take part in this survey! Thank you in advance

**"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

**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. 10<sup>th</sup> March to Thurs. 18<sup>th</sup> March - see posters in Advent Room for further details

We are pleased to report that our **Cubs group raised £61.20** from selling refreshments at our pantomime, and have donated it all to CAFOD's Haiti appeal. Well done and thanks to all involved

If you have spare **Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers**, please drop them off at the church office so that **Earley Pre-School** (in our hall) can benefit from them

The church 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.

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**PLEASE CALL YOUR OWN PRIEST FIRST**



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**LODDON VALLEY PASTORAL AREA**

**28<sup>th</sup> February 2010**

**Year C**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent (p. 75 of Mass book)

**These too shall pass away!**

Life sometimes is full of experiences, both good and bad. We can feel as though the bad experiences are going on for too long; sometimes we cannot see any light at the end of the tunnel. This can be frustrating and has led a number of people to give up hope and faith. Like Jesus, we need to go up the mountain to pray, asking God to open our eyes and show us that He is ever close to us no matter what the situation.



We must appreciate that the troubles of this life are short-lived and our consolation should rest on this fact. Nothing lasts forever; these too shall pass away.

Fr. Anthony

*"This is my Son, the Chosen One.  
Listen to Him."*

**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

