Website:
stjohnbosco.co.uk

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Catherine Ledgard

The Church Office is open next week: Tue–Fri 8.30am-1.30pm

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St John Bosco

Building a strong worshiping community

St John Bosco Church Book of Remembrance
For the month of September please pray for:
Peggy Murphy+ Heather Chandler+ Yvonne Young+ Kathleen Henson+ Rita Jacobs+ Josie Mannion+ Laurence Keenan+ Adela Lukomska+

WEEKLY COLLECTION
Envelopes: £ 394.35
Loose: £ 402.12
Weekly standing orders: £285.00

Total : £ 1081.47p

Thank you for your kind donations.

Next Retiring Collection:
For: The Cathedral
DAY: 30th September
Please see the collection baskets in the church porch after both weekend Masses

Confession is available Saturday from 5.30 –6.00pm.

8th - 16th September 2012

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 8th	12.00pm 6.30pm	The Nativity of our Lady Vigil Mass	Sr M Joseph's intentions Margaret Monica Fitzgerald + & Alan Fitzgerald + (Michael Fitzgerald)	10am Child Protect Training **2pm at OUR LADY OF PEACE Sr Joseph's 50th Jubilee Celebrations**
Sun 9th	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Sr M Joseph 50th Jubilee	
Mon 10th	10.00am	Service of Word & Communion		8.00pm—Prayer Group
Tue 11th	7.00pm	Feria	Giovanna Sciaraffa + (Family)	
Wed 12th	10.00am	The Most Holy Name of Mary	Sr M Joseph's intentions(Bentley fam)	8.00pm PPC Meeting
Thu 13th	10.00am	St John Chrysostom	Joan Judd + (Bill & Philomeana)	
Fri 14th	10.00am	Whole school Mass	Sr M Jospeh's Golden Jubilee	
Sat 15th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Fr Chris' intentions	
Sun 16th	10.00am	Sunday Mass	CAFOD 50th Anniversary	

FR CHRIS LEAVING PARTIES

Sat 15th Sept after Mass there will be wine & refreshments. On Sun 16th Sept there will be a parish BBQ after mass. For catering purposes please put your name down on the forms on notice board **NOW !**

NEXT MEETING DATES:
Baptism Preparation
Sat 10.30am

Finance & Admin Committee
TBC

Over 60's Club
Thu 20th Sept 2pm

PPC
Wed 12th Sept
8pm

Prayer Group
Mon 10th Sept 8pm

SJB Bookworms
TBC

Traidcraft Stall
Sat 8th & 9th Sept

Youth Group
Fri 14th Sept 7.00-9.00pm

3rd Woodley St John Bosco Scout Group: Term time only
Beavers: Mon 6.00-7.00pm
Cubs: Thu 6.30-8.30pm

Food for thought

Next Saturday and Sunday we celebrate our Creation Mass and invite parishioners to bring something they have grown as a harvest offering in thanksgiving for God's loving provision for us. This year we have experienced extraordinarily unpredictable weather, such that many farmers, even in this country, have lost their crops and have no silage to feed their animals during the winter. Those of us who grow our own vegetables have no doubt fretted at the unusually dry weather when we planted our seeds and the excessive rain and extended cold period since. Perhaps we have felt kinship with rural peoples, here and elsewhere in the world, whose very survival is threatened by the changing and increasingly extreme weather patterns. Whether we are proponents of manmade climate change or not, surely no one can deny that as masters of the earth we have a duty of care for the rate at which we consume its resources and the appalling impact such consumption can have on the most powerless people. Let us pray at next week's Mass for the environment for the courage and determination to do what we can to build a fairer world for all God's people.

After Masses this weekend we welcome Mr Peter McGready who is the new Youth Worker for the Reading Churches. Peter will give a short talk on how his role will support our young people.

CARD

There is a farewell card to Father Chris for parishioners to sign at weekend Masses until 9th Sept.

Romania Link: Thank you to everyone who, during the last few weeks, have contributed pens, pencils etc, and toothbrushes and tooth paste. The parish group will be in Romania from this Sunday, 9-16 September and will take all the contributed items. School stationery items will enable poor children to go to school. We have enlisted the assistance of a Romanian dentist to help adults and children from the poorest families understand the need for dental hygiene – not easy if you do not have access to running water and have a very poor diet. The donated toothbrushes and toothpaste will be given out during this project. Thank you all for your support.

MEMORY BOOK

The last chance to drop anything off for inclusion in Fr Chris' book is this Tue 11th September.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2012/13

Enrolment forms are available from the church porch. Please return to church office before Tue 25th September.

Live Simply Award

Our parish of St John Bosco, Woodley has received the news that we shall be the very first church in England to receive **The Livesimply award,** launched in Nov. 2011. A full page article, in The Tablet of 1 September 2012, written by one of the judges; Ellen Teague outlines the nature of this new award designed to "help parishes to do practical things that make a difference to help treasure our world". The award will be presented by CAFOD at Mass on Sunday 16th September.

St Vincent De Paul group will be making an appeal for volunteers during both weekend Masses.

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Co-ordinating Pastor: **Fr. Chris Whelan**

Co-Pastors: **Fr. Pat Madden, Fr. Emmanuel Odoemene**

23rd Sunday Ordinary Time
09-Sep-12
Issue: 025

Psalm Response: Year B

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Please join Fr Chris, Fr Pat & Fr Emmanuel in wishing Sr Mary Joseph congratulations on the 50th anniversary of her Religious Profession.

The latest copy of XN Magazine is available now !

Fr. Chris's last Masses at St. John Bosco will be on 15th and 16th September before he starts at his new parish in Aldershot

Emergency numbers for the Sacramental Ministry of a priest:

Fr. Chris 969 3423
Fr. Pat 931 4469
Fr. Emmanuel 966 3711
Please call your own priest first.

LODDON VALLEY WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

CHRIST THE KING
Sat. 6.30pm & Sun. 10am

OUR LADY OF PEACE & Bl.D.Bar.
Sun. 9am, 11am & 5pm

ST. JOHN BOSCO
Sat. 6.30pm & Sun. 10am

Thought for the week

Today we hear about how a man has his sight and speech restored with a word of command: 'be opened'. The Greek word translated 'impediment in his speech' is very rare. In fact, it appears nowhere else in the New Testament and even in the Greek version of the Old Testament it appears on only one occasion. This occasion is in the passage that we heard in today's first reading. Isaiah speaks of the wonders that will occur when the Lord makes his great intervention in human history: 'Look, your God is coming ... Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deers and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy'. However, the Greek word Isaiah used in the phrase 'the tongues of the dumb sing for joy' is that same rare word which was used of the man with a speech impairment in the Gospel. So Mark is dropping a heavy hint as to who Jesus really is. He is telling us that it is the fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecy - the age of the Messiah has already arrived in the person of Jesus. Through him God's intervention in human history become a reality.

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NEW BOOK ON THE RETURN OF CATHOLICISM TO READING

by John & Lindsay Mullaney: the book describes the work of the French clergy exiled by the Revolution; the founding of the first Catholic chapel, now demolished; and the building of St. James, designed by A. W. Pugin – his first church. Cost: £10, reduced to **£8 for orders received by 7th October**. To order, Tel. St. James on 0118 957 4171 or **complete one of the order forms available at your church**

LIFE AGM: The Annual General Meeting of Reading & District LIFE group will take place on Tues. 18th Sept. in the LIFE Pregnancy Care Centre at English Martyrs Church, Liebenrood Road, Reading, at 11am.

Parenting teenagers: a Practical Parenting programme - Tues. 18th & 25th Sept. and 2nd & 9th Oct, at Immaculate Conception & St. Joseph Church, Christchurch. To book phone Eileen Stephenson: Tel. 01329 835583

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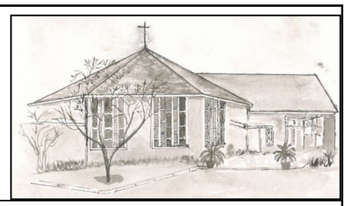
Christian Community Action have the following vacancies: Shop Manager at the New Wokingham Road shop. Shop Manager at the Southcote shop. Shop supervisor at the Oxford Road Shop. A Warehouse Supervisor. A Vehicle Driver. To request an application pack contact Erica Coxall at Central Services on 0118 951 2336 or email erica.coxall@ccam.org.uk. See notice board for further details.

First Holy Communion preparation programs will be starting soon at each church; please see your own church's individual page or ask at your church office for details of how to enrol

Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi



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Hall bookings: Margaret - 0118 987 5588 or hallbookingsolop@googlemail.com
Your **Church Office** is **open** this week **Tuesday to Friday, 9am to 2pm**

St. Dominic Savio Primary School - Western Avenue, Woodley RG5 3BH Head Teacher: Teresa Jones Tel. 0118 969 3893

DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	MASS INTENTION	DIARY
Sunday 9th Sept.	9 am 11 am 5 pm	**23rd Sunday Ordinary Time**	James & Kathleen Buckley RIP (Foundation Mass) John Devlin RIP (rec. dec.) Joseph Hynes RIP (rec. dec.)	9am & 11am Celebrant: **Fr. Adrian Walker** 11am Baptism: **Samuel William Hardie**
Mon. 10th	**11am**		11am: **Funeral Mass** of Angela Hughes	
Tuesday 11th Sept.	*9.30: Rosary* 10 am		Sister M. Joseph's intentions	**2.30pm:** UCM meeting (D. B. Room)
Wednes. 12th Sept.	*9.30: Rosary* 10 am	Most Holy Name of Mary	Dermot Durnin RIP	
Thursday 13th Sept.	*9.30: Rosary* 10 am	St. John Chrysostom	Henry & Ethel Wiggins RIP (Foundation Mass)	12.30pm: Priests & Administrators lunch meeting (D.B. Room)
Friday 14th Sept.	*9.30: Rosary* 10 am	Triumph of the Cross	Fr. Anthony Ikhenoba (birthday)	
Sat. 15th	**NO MASS**	Our Lady of Sorrows		
Sunday 16th Sept.	9 am 11 am 5 pm	**24th Sunday Ordinary Time**	Wilfred Duarté Duncan & Hayley Bentley Ann Haggerty RIP	9am & 11am Celebrant: **Fr. Kevin Delaney**

★ **CHILDREN'S LITURGY returns TODAY** at 9am & 11am Masses. Register your child before Mass ★

★ **CUBS Mondays 6.45pm/BEAVERS Thursdays 5.45pm/SCOUTS Fridays 8pm** each week in **HALL** ★

Please keep in your prayers all those whose anniversaries occur this week:
Bill Hunt (1994); Regina Zaboklicka (2007).; Frederick Grigg (1993); Janice Robins (1995); Bernard Coakeley (2004); Anthony Davis (1997); Doris Frost (1990); Marjorie Sheldon (1997); Erick Karas (2001); Mary Salmon (1975); and Ethel Gibson (1988).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2013

ENROLMENT OF CHILDREN

to receive 1st Holy Communion in May 2013:
If you've just started school Year 3, will be 8 years old between 1st Sept. 2012 and 31st Aug. 2013, and if you feel ready, you are eligible to join our next Communion preparation program.
Parents - **please write to or e-mail Fr. Emmanuel % the church office by Monday 17th Sept.**, with the child's name and date of birth. Further details of the program will then be passed on.
The **FIRST MEETING of ALL PARENTS** will be on Sunday 23rd September at 2.30pm here at church

Today Sunday 9th September we warmly welcome **Fr. Adrian Walker** here to celebrate our 9am and 11am Masses while Fr. Emmanuel is away. Then next Sunday 16th September we will warmly welcome back **Fr. Kevin Delaney** to celebrate our 9am and 11am Masses

Welcome! We warmly welcome to our parish community **Samuel William Hardie** & his family as we celebrate his baptism at 11am Mass today

My Day by Day - **SEPTEMBER edition** in Advent Room, **£1** per copy

NEW ROTA

New Welcome Ministry Rota was recently sent out and it starts NEXT WEEKEND - so please **check your e-mail inbox!**

Farewell card: **Last chance** to sign a card for Father Chris to wish him well - he leaves St. John Bosco parish NEXT WEEKEND! The card is in the Advent Room **TODAY ONLY**

- **CONFIRMATION 2013** - Enrolment in ~Oct.; course to start ~November. Open to all young people in School Year 8 & above
- **RCIA 2013** - course starts Thurs. 27th Sept. for adults in our Pastoral Area. Contact your church office **ASAP**

THIS WEEK

Quiz evening at Abbey Baptist Church on Thurs. 13th Sept., **using Christian Aid's QuizAid material**. Church groups are welcome to join us; we can make up scratch teams from individuals. See **poster on Board 1**. Contact Abbey church office (details on poster) for info

English Martyrs autumn fayre on Sat. 15th Sept. 12pm-4pm. See poster on Board 1

Our parish is now 70 years old! In Sept. 1942 the first services were held for our local Catholic community in St. Peter's Church Hall, by Father Lane from St. John Bosco. We became a parish in our own right some years later

Thank you to those who offered items of furniture & household goods for retirement of **Fr. Eamon Walsh** to a house in Tilehurst. The Catenians are pleased to report that they now have all the items they need; thank you all. Unwanted furniture items may be donated to Christian Community Action

Offertory Collection Sunday 2nd Sept.: Envelopes £136.60
Loose cash £458.71
Standing Orders £526.00
Total: £1121.31

Thank you for your kind donations

Christian Community Action has various **job vacancies** - see Board 7 (by Lady Chapel)

- Next **second collection** is **NEXT Sunday 16th Sept**. for CASE - the Catholic Agency to Support Evangelisation

The Sacrament of **RECONCILIATION** may next be celebrated here on **Friday 5th October** from **~6.30pm** (before Mass); or by appointment

CHRIST THE KING

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Sat 8 Sep	5.00pm	The Nativity of Our Lady	The Goan Community & People of India
Sun 9 Sep	10am	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Kevin Conway RIP
Mon 10 Sep	No Mass	Feria	//////////////
Tue 11 Sep	10am	Feria	Edward McCormack Int
Wed 12 Sep	No Mass	The Most Holy Name of Mary	//////////////
Thu 13 Sep	10am	St John Chrysostom	Joan Hart RIP
Fri 14 Sep	10am	The Triumph of The Cross	Fr Cedric Frank
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Reading Irish Centre Silver Anniversary Weekend 21st- 23rd September. Friday Dance, Saturday- Dinner Dance, Sunday- Family afternoon. Come and join the celebrations! For tickets ring: Brendan 0118 9393096

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Administrator/Secretary: Nelly Langer
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Tel: 01189 314469
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Christ The King School Headteacher: Mr John Cosgrove Lulworth Rd, RG2 8LX 0118 901 5434
Parish Safeguarding Officer: Angela Camilleri; **Gift Aid Coordinator:** Frank Burkhard 0118 975 6954; **Parish Council Chair:** Trish Hamblin 0118 986 3235; **Parish Hall Bookings:** Dany Apap 0791 766 7413

Confessions: Saturdays 10.00 – 10.30am & 5.30 – 6.15pm or by appointment with Father Pat.

Adoration of the Most Holy Sacrament: Thursday after 10am Mass until 11.30am.

A DAY FOR EVERYONE: Saturday, September 22 from 9.30am to 4.30pm. Come along to the Church of Christ the King, Northumberland Avenue, Whitley Wood, for a 'quiet day' that will include prayer, exposition, talks and Mass. Put this date in your diary. Further details will be provided later.

Weekend for 18-35ish Year Olds: If you are in the 18-35ish age range, there will be a retreat led by Fr. De Malleray FSSP (*Head of the International Juventutem Federation*) at Douai Abbey 14-16th September 12. Prices range from £5-51' for more details, please see http://www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk/events.htm, or ring

Events at Douai Abbey 14th -16th Sept 2012 Organised by Young Catholic Adults. Events Open to the Public: Saturday 15th September 2012 at 11am –Mass in the main Abbey Church followed by a Marian Procession around the extensive grounds of the Abbey at 12pm (starting from the main Abbey Church). All are warmly welcome to attend Masses and the procession. All events are organised by Young Catholic Adults (YCA).

First Aid: If you have a First Aid Certificate, would you please contact margot Spooner on 0118 977 1872— we would like to arrange a rota to cover all Masses.

Bingo is every Tuesday and Friday in the Church Hall. More details are available from Dany on 0791 766 7413.

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Memorial Plaques: I am arranging for all of the memorial plaques to be erected on the Inner Wall of St Joseph's Chapel. All the plaques will be blessed at a special Mass where we will also pray for those people whose names are commemorated there. The Mass for the blessing and dedication will take place on Sunday, 23rd September at 10am.

If you are a visitor or just moved into the Parish, please introduce yourself to Fr. Pat .
If you are going to hospital, please let Fr. Pat know. He will then arrange visits from him or another priest.
Also if you are not a Catholic or unable to receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward at Communion time for a blessing.

Our Day of Prayer at Christ the King Community on 22nd September 2012

Lord Jesus Christ, during your earthly ministry you took time to retire to a desert place to be still and be close to your father. We, too, will be taking time to follow your example so that we may grow in our relationship with you. Grant us all the graces to make this possible during our quiet day. Amen

Last week donations: Envelopes: £136.58; Loose: £223.48 Direct Debit: £200.00. Today there is Second Collection for Retired Priests in Diocese of Portsmouth.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Marion O'Neill, Les & Elsie Leng, Mabel Norris, Joyce Corrigan, John O'Neill and Joseph O'Neill, Eddie McCormack, Kevin Hood, Ann-Marie Cotter, Karl Mulnier, Anne Moore and Mary Surran.