

ST JOHN BOSCO
CHURCH
CELEBRATING

40
YEARS
1970 - 2010

BUILDING A STRONG
WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY

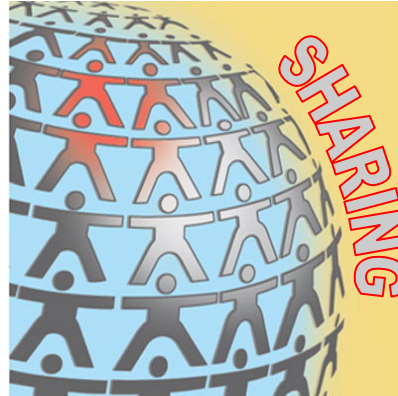
25th Sunday of Ordinary time ~ 19th September

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Gospel Message:

At first it would seem that this Gospel passage praises dishonesty, but in fact, it gives credit for a clever and quick response. The point Jesus wanted to make with this parable was to let the crowd know that they should be wise in their use of the world's goods, because if they are used selfishly, they will fail us. However, if we share our resources with others, true wealth will await us in the Kingdom. The final point of Jesus' words was that we cannot serve two masters, God and money.



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

Psalms Response:

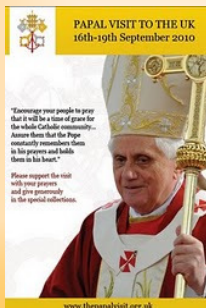
**“Praise the Lord,
who raises the
poor.”**

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 363.50
Loose: £ 403.61
Total : £ 767.11
Thank you for your kind
donations.

Papal Visit:

As Pope Benedict makes his historic visit to the UK from 16th - 19th September, please remember to pray that it will be a time of grace for the whole Catholic community.



God of truth and love, your Son, Jesus Christ, stands as the light to all who seek you with a sincere heart.
As we strive with your grace to be faithful in word and deed,
may we reflect the kindly light of Christ and offer a witness of hope and peace to all.
We pray for Pope Benedict,
May he be a witness to the unity and hope which is your will for all people.
We make our prayer
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St John Bosco Choir:

The next choir meeting is 24th Sept at 8pm in the church. If anyone in the church would like to come along, they would be most welcome. If they can't meet at that time, just join us on the Sunday morning.

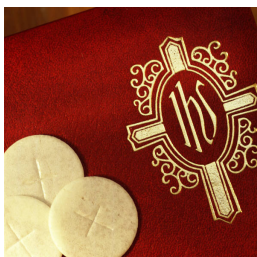


Altar Servers Trip:

All current Altar Servers please collect your form from Gina Shortt for our trip on Sat 25.09.10 to The Big Apple Wokingham for bowling, laser quest and food ! Please return your permission slip to the church office no later than: **Tuesday 21st September.** If you do not return your form you will not be able to go.

Healing Mass:

Fr. Bill Keogh will be celebrating a Mass for healing at St. Thomas More's Church Twyford, on Friday September 24th 2010 at 7.30pm. This is open to all in our Pastoral Area, so please do join them !



Blessed Hugh Faringdon :

Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School Fawley Rd, Reading, RG30 3EP. Serving Reading's Catholic community for over 50 years. Year 7 Entry, September 2011 Open Morning – Thu Sept 30th 2010 9.15 onwards and Open Evening – Thu Sept 30th 2010 6pm onwards. Diocesan Inspection 2010. “A good Catholic school”. Best ever exam results 2010 – 81% of students achieved 5 Grades A*-C. If you have a child in Year 5 or 6 and are considering where to send your child in September 2011 please come and visit us.

Confession

No Confession this
Saturday 18.9.10



Next Retiring Collection:

For: Portsmouth Cathedral
On: 26th September
Please see collection baskets in
church porch after Mass.

CAFOD FAMILY HARVEST FAST DAY:

Donation envelopes will be
available to collect next
weekend for return:
On: 2nd/3rd October.



Harvest Fast Day 2010



TEA & COFFEE

There is tea and coffee after
Sunday Mass and Friday
Mass in the Church Centre
- all are most welcome.

WEEK: 18TH - 26TH SEPTEMBER 2010

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 18th		NO MASS		
Sun 19th	10.00am 11.30am	Sunday Mass Baptisms: George Gale, Calum Bradbury, Chloe & Joseph Zambon and Tiffany David	Sr Gabriella's intentions (Romania Link Group) 	
Mon 20th	9.15am	Service of Word and Communion		8.00pm - SJB Prayer Group
Tue 21st	9.15am	St Matthew	Remo Marzolini + (Sarah Bacon)	
Wed 22nd	9.15am	Feria	Philip Chatwin + (Willoughby family)	
Thu 23rd	9.15am	St Pio of Pietrelcina	Tony & Lourdes thanksgiving (Lucy C)	
Fri 24th	9.15am	Our Lady of Walsingham		7.00—9.00pm Friday Youth Group
Sat 25th	10.00am 6.30pm	Mass for Jumbulance Group Vigil Mass	The Jumbulance Group Mary & Barry Hiscox Thanksgiving 50th wedding Anniversary	11.45 am—Altar Servers Trip to Big Apple Wokingham for bowling and laser quest. YOU MUST HAVE RETURNED YOUR PERMISSION SLIP.
Sun 26th	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Yvonne Young + (Ashley Young)	

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

SEPTEMBER

Please pray for:

**Peggy Murphy +
Heather Chandler +
Kathleen Henson +
Rita Jacobs +
Josie Mannion +
Laurence Keenan +
Yvonne Young +**

whose anniversaries are recorded in the book of Remembrance

Emergency numbers for the Sacramental Ministry of a priest

Fr Chris Whelan 969 3423
Fr. Pat Madden 931 4469
Fr. Anthony Ikhenoba 966 3711
Fr. Vincent Flanagan 934 0854
Please call your own priest, but if an emergency does arise, and your own priest is unavailable, please try one of the other priests on the numbers above.

LODDON VALLEY WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

CHRIST THE KING
Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10am

OUR LADY OF PEACE
Sun 9am, 11am & 5pm

ST JOHN BOSCO
Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10am

ST THOMAS MORE
Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10.30am

OUR LADY OF PEACE WARGRAVE:
Sun 9am

NEXT MEETING DATES:

Baptism Preparation
Sat 13th Nov 10.30am

First Holy Communion
Sat 2nd Oct 8.50am
Children & Parents meetings

Over 60's Club
Thu 30th Sept 2pm

RCIA
Thu 30th Sept 7.30pm

Prayer Group (SJB)
Mon 20th Sept 8pm

PPC
Wed 13th Oct 8.00pm

Traidcraft Stall
Sun 19th Sept after Mass

Youth Group
Fri 24th Sept 7-9pm

Please remember to switch off ALL mobile phones when in church ~ thank you.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2010 / 2011:

Our First Holy Communion programme for 2011 is open to all children in school Year 3 who are parishioners at St John Bosco Church.



Enrolment forms and guidance notes are available from the church porch & must be returned to the church office no later than Thursday 23rd September. The first meeting for both children and parents is on Saturday 2nd October at 8.50am, with the First Holy Communion Mass of Inscription on Sunday 3rd October at 10am, when the children are presented to parishioners and receive their God's Greatest Gift books.

Prayer Partners:

On the weekend of the 9th & 10th October we shall be asking for parishioners to volunteer to be Prayer Partners for the new group of First Holy Communion children ~ there will be a form up in the back of the church near the hymn books. Being a Prayer Partner means praying for your partner as they prepare for First Holy Communion and attending a special liturgy on Sunday 5th December where you will meet your partner. You will also be provided with a prayer card and photo, which will be available to collect from the church porch on the 17th October. Thank you to everyone who volunteers as it means a lot to the children, who really look forward to meeting their partner on the 5th December.

LIFE AGM!

The AGM of Reading & District LIFE group is on Tue 28.09.10 in the LIFE Pregnancy Care Centre, English Martyrs Church, Reading, at 11am. All supporters welcome

Photographs:

All First Holy Communion 2010 photographs are available to collect from the church office during opening times (Tue - Fri 8.30am - 1.30pm)

RCIA:

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a Catholic? Our St John Bosco RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program 2011 will be starting soon. With a view to being received into the Church at the Easter Vigil 2011. For further please contact either Fr Chris at the church office or Keith on 969 2993. The first meeting is on Thursday 30.09.10 at church centre at 7.30pm.

RCIA

Magnificat Missal:

Remaining copies of the Magnificat Missal are available at 1 per family for parishioners. There is a suggested donation of £2 per copy.

Fatima Pilgrimage:

11th October (8 days). Please contact Fr John Doran Tel: 0118 940 6766.

Youth Group:

If you wish to attend the trip to the cinema on Sunday 3rd October, you must return your money and permission slip at the meeting on Fri 24th September. If you don't do this you won't be able to go as tickets are booked in advance, thank you.

Beetle Drive:

At Christ Church on Sun 26.09.10 from 2.30 -4.30pm with tea & cake. Suggested donation £5 adult and £3 child. For their 2010 project. All welcome.

Free 2b:

Woodley Baptist Church Sun 26.09.10 ~ please see the poster on the church notice board for further details

Please pray for the Jumbulance Group as they leave on their trip next weekend.