

ST JOHN BOSCO
CHURCH
CELEBRATING
40
YEARS
1970 - 2010

BUILDING A STRONG
WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY

26th Sunday of Ordinary time ~ 26th September

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St John Bosco

Gospel Message:

As was often Jesus' message, today's Gospel reverses the rich and poor of this world and the next. Lazarus, a poor beggar who was most likely crippled and had open sores that dogs licked, sat every day beneath the window of a rich man. The rich man dined lavishly everyday and completely ignored Lazarus. Eventually, they both died and the angels carried Lazarus to heaven where he was held by Abraham. The rich man went to hell. Looking up, the rich man saw Lazarus comforted by Abraham and still with arrogant behaviour, asked Abraham to send Lazarus down to dip water onto his tongue. Abraham explained that there could be no crossing from one place to the next and that the rich man was stuck with the consequences of his earthly behaviour. The man knew it futile then to argue for himself but begged Abraham to send someone to his brothers to warn them that they needed to change, or they would end up as he had. Abraham reminded the man that his brothers had already been told all that, and it was now up to them whether or not they believed it. Even the raising of a dead person would not convince them if their hearts were closed.



NEW ALTAR SERVERS:

Fr Chris would like to invite all the YR4 children who made their First Holy Communion in June this year, to become Altar Servers here at St John Bosco. This is an important ministry and requires a commitment to attend Mass each weekend. Please see the enrolment forms in the church porch, to be returned to the church office.



ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING:

We shall be holding two training sessions for current and new Altar Servers at 11.30am on Sunday 28.11.10 and 05.12.10. Please make a note of these dates in your diary, all Servers are expected to attend.

CHURCH PARKING:

The church forecourt is for disabled drivers with a disabled parking badge ONLY. No other cars should be parked in this area. At NO time should this area be used for school parking. Due to two serious incidents in the last week, this area is to be cordoned off. It will be open for disabled drivers with a disabled parking badge, attending Mass ONLY, between 9-10am weekdays, 6-7.30pm Saturday and 9.30-11.30am Sunday. At the weekend the school gates are open for parishioners attending Mass to park their cars. If you park on the road please be considerate to our neighbours ~ thank you.



40TH ANNIVERSARY:

The next event in the PPC's programme of celebrations for our 40th anniversary year is the planting and blessing of a tree in front of the church. This will take place after Mass on

**Sunday 3rd
October**

and will be attended by the Town Mayor of Woodley; to be followed by tea & coffee in the church centre. We look forward to seeing you there! To round off our 40th Anniversary year, there will be two further events in November and December – so please look out for details in future newsletters.



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

Psalm Response:

**“My soul, give
praise to the Lord.”**

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 128.25
Loose: £ 150.88
Total : £ 279.13
Thank you for your kind
donations.

Confession

5.30 - 6pm on
Saturday.



Next Retiring Collection:

For: CAFOD Family Fast Day
On: 3rd October

Donation envelopes will be
available to collect THIS
weekend for return on
3rd October:
Please see collection baskets in
church porch after Mass.
**FAMILY FAST DAY IS
FRIDAY 1ST 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: 25TH SEPTEMBER - 3RD OCTOBER 2010

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 25th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Mary & Barry Hiscox Thanksgiving 50th wedding Anniversary	11.45 am—Altar Servers Trip to Big Apple Wokingham for bowling and laser quest.
Sun 26th	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Yvonne Young + (Ashley Young)	
Mon 27th	9.15am	Service of Word and Communion		
Tue 28th	9.15am	St Wenceslaus	Private Intention (Harman family)	
Wed 29th	9.15am	The Holy Archangels Michael, Gabriel & Raphael	Sr Gabriela's intentions	
Thu 30th	9.15am	St Jerome	Tony & Lourdes Thanksgiving (Lucy)	2.00pm - Over 60's Club 7.30pm - RCIA meeting
Fri 1st	9.15am	St Teresa of the Child Jesus	Jane Saunders + (Gina)	NO Friday Youth Group
Sat 2nd	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Dennis Daly (Mr & Mrs Daly)	8.50am - First Holy Communion meeting for children and parents.
Sun 3rd	10.00am	Sunday Mass (Mass of inscription for First Holy Communion children)	St John Bosco parishioners	11.30 pm - Tree planting for 40th Anniversary.  TRAIDCRAFT Fighting poverty through trade

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 4th Oct 8pm

PPC

Wed 13th Oct 8.00pm

Traidcraft Stall

Sun 3rd Oct after Mass

Youth Group

Fri 8th Oct 7-9pm

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2010 / 2011:

Enrolment in our 2011 First
Holy Communion programme
has now closed. The first
session for children and
parents is next Sat 2.10.10
at 8.50am. The Mass on Sunday
3rd October is the First Holy
Communion Mass of Inscription;
where all the 28 children will be
introduced to parishioners and
presented with their God's Greatest
Gift workbooks.



Wintershall:

Please be advised that
Wintershall are taking
bookings for their
Nativity Play NOW! A
group of parishioners
have booked for Mon
20.12.10 at 4.45pm. To
join them or to book a
different time then please
call Wintershall direct on
01483 892167 or visit
their website on:
www.wintershall-estate.com

Mass Count:

At all 5 weekend
Masses throughout
October we shall be
holding a Mass count,
and all churches in the
Diocese take part.

Romania Link

Group:
Our Romania Group
have returned from their
annual trip to Romania,
and will be giving a
short talk at both
weekend Mass this
weekend. They will be
updating us on how the
projects we support have
progressed in the last
year and how funds
raised have been
distributed this year.
Our Romania Group
work tirelessly each 12
months to raise funds to
help the Orphanage,
Project to feed the poor
and the seminary. The
time, effort and their
commitment to this
worthy cause is
commendable.

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 .

RCIA:

The first meeting of our new
programme is on Thursday 30.09.10
at church centre at 7.30pm.

RCIA

Net Ministries :

Daniel and Kieran are
doing well and were so
very grateful for the
donations they received
from the parishioners
collection at St John
Bosco. They continue on
their journey of faith and
"Challenging Young
Catholics to Love Christ
and Embrace the Life of
the Church". You can
follow their journey at:
[http://netusa.org/
teamprofiles/](http://netusa.org/teamprofiles/)Please
remember to keep them
in their prayers - what
they are doing is not as
easy as it may seem and
the challenges they will
face will serve to make
them stronger in their
faith - so they really
need our prayers.

YOUTH GROUP:

Please note there is no
meeting next Friday 1st
October & the cinema
trip on 3rd October has
been cancelled. The
next meeting is 8.10.10

Woodley Churches Together: The next 'All Churches' prayer event will be 8:00 pm on Monday 27th at St James Church.