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Tuesday - Friday 8.30am - 1.30pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 315.30
Loose: £ 241.19
Total : £ 556.49

Thank you for your kind
donations.

Psalm Response: Year A
"The Lord will bless his
people with peace."

Confession

5.30 - 6pm on Saturday.

Next Retiring Collection:

For: Pax Christi (Peace Sunday)
On: 16th January 2011
Please see collection baskets
in porch after Mass.

Emergency numbers for the Sacramental Ministry of a priest

Fr Chris 969 3423
Fr. Pat 931 4469
Fr. Anthony 966 3711
Fr. Vincent 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.

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

Welcome to our new look newsletter for 2011 !

Thought for the week

A prayer for January:

O Lord,
As the turning of the year
makes us aware of the
passing of our days, let us
be thankful for the gift of
time.

Whether the years that
remain to us should be
short or long, Lord help us
to use them well and to
find the right balance

between work, recreation
and rest.

May we not constantly be
rushing around so that we
make no time to know you
better, nor gaze
heavenward too long, and
fail to complete the tasks
that you would have us do.
Help us to recognise when
we fail to use time well;
and to pause for a moment

in your presence and start
each day anew.
Amen.



Get involved in 2011

The Body of Christ



Most of us make a New
Years resolution, some
big some small. Giving a
little of your time is a
small resolution that can
make a big difference.
Joining a church group,
ministry or volunteering
can be a great way of
becoming more involved
and making new friends.
Have a look in the church
handbook for details of all
our church groups. All our

groups welcome new
members, so give them a
ring or phone the church
office 969 3423.
Whether it is singing in the
choir, cleaning, flower
arranging or reading, giving a
little time may be one
resolution that is easier to
keep than others? We all
have different talents the
Lord has given us and we
should use them wisely.
So please join in and get
involved in 2011.

CONFIRMATION 2011

Our 34 Confirmation
Candidates held their first
meeting of 2011 this
Saturday 8th January.
Please pray for the
candidates as they start
their preparation and

continue on their journeys
of faith. The candidates
will be helping at the Vigil
Mass this Saturday.
All candidates please
return your Retreat
permission slips to the

church
office
ASAP
and no
later than
17.01.11.
Thank you



St John Bosco Church Book of Remembrance

For the month of January please pray for:

*The Drinal Family + Ellen Colfer + Ella Louise Ormiston +
Helena Bridgeman + Marjorie Bryant +*

whose anniversaries are recorded in the book of Remembrance

NEXT MEETING DATES:

Baptism Preparation
Sat 22nd Jan 10.20am

Confirmation Group
Sat 9th Jan 1pm

Finance & Admin Committee
Wed 19th Jan 7pm

First Holy Communion
Sat 8th Jan 8.50am

Over 60's Club
Thu 20th Jan 2pm



RCIA
Thu 20th Jan 7.30pm


Prayer Group (SJB)
Mon 10th Jan 8pm

PPC
Wed 12th Jan 8.00pm

Traidcraft Stall
Sun 9th Jan after Mass

Youth Group
Fri 14th Jan 7-9pm

MASS INTENTIONS	THANK YOU	TRAIDCRAFT
Mass intentions can now be booked for the whole of 2011. The normal donation is £10 per Mass and each Mass should be for one person or couple. Please fill in one of the brown envelopes available from the church porch. Please print CLEARLY . Please either return to the church office or place in the offertory baskets during Mass. There is no Mass on a Monday. If the date you have requested is already booked the nearest date will be allocated or nearest weekend Mass if requested.	Fr Chris would like to thank all parishioners for the very generous Christmas offering it is much appreciated and to wish everyone a very happy and peaceful New Year! 	The Traidcraft Stall will be open for the first time in 2011 after Mass this Sunday. They are also looking for new volunteers to help run the stall, especially after Mass on a Saturday evening. If you can help either on the Saturday or on the Sunday please contact Mary Johnston on: 969 5090 or phone or email the church office. Thank you. 
	PRAYER GROUP Our St John Bosco prayer group is recommencing with their first meeting of the New Year this Monday 10th January at 8pm at the church centre ~ all welcome so please do come along to our small friendly group.	

GIFT TREE	ST DOMINIC SAVIO	TEA & COFFEE
The Cabrini Children's Society have written a letter of thanks for the gifts donated from our gift tree at Christmas, the letter is on the notice board in the church porch. Thank you to Margaret Armstead and Mary Stansfield for organising this again for our church.	St Dominic Savio have two vacancies for lunch time controllers, please see the notice board for further details. The closing date for applications is the 19th Jan but it is recommended to return all applications as soon as possible.	There is tea and coffee after Sunday and Friday Mass in the church centre ~ all are most welcome, so please join us! 

WEEK: 8TH - 16TH JANUARY 2011

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 8th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass with our Confirmation Candidates.	Michael Antao + (F Collaco)	8.50am - First Holy Communion meeting 1.00pm - Confirmation meeting
Sun 9th	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Elvira Monopoli + (Maria Itta)	
Mon 10th	9.15am	Service of Word and Communion		8.00pm—SJB Prayer Group
Tue 11th	9.15am	Feria	Special intention (Mrs Walsh)	
Wed 12th	9.15am	St Aelred	Marcela Marius & family (Barry & Eileen)	8.00pm - PPC meeting
Thu 13th	9.15am	Year 6 Mass St Hilary	Thanksgiving (Charlotte, Lucy & Josef)	This Monday sees the beginning of Ordinary Time in the Church Liturgical year. A reminder that we are in Year A and most of the Gospels we hear at Mass will be from the Gospel of Matthew.
Fri 14th	9.15am	Feria	Henry Belletty happy birthday (Rita)	
Sat 15th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	John & Mary Knox + (Knox family)	
Sun 16th	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Connie Hayes + (Carol, Steve & Mark Reading)	

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners to our church. If you are a new parishioner please take a copy of our handbook from the church porch and make yourself known to our weekend welcomers!

REMINDER

All Eucharistic Ministers and Readers please remember to arrive at least 10 minutes before Mass when you are on the rota and let the Sacristans know that you are here. Thank you for your help and co operation with this new procedure.

OUR NEWSLETTER

If you would like a copy of this our weekly newsletter emailing to you, please send an email to the church office requesting this. If you have any items you would like to submit for newsletter, please email the office no later than the Tuesday before the weekend you would like it including.