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St John Bosco

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Tuesday - Friday 8.30am - 1.30pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 381.40
Loose: £ 468.05
Total : £ 849.45
Thank you for your kind
donations.

Psalm Response: Year A
"Here I am Lord ! I come
to do your will."

Confession
5.30 - 6.00pm 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:**

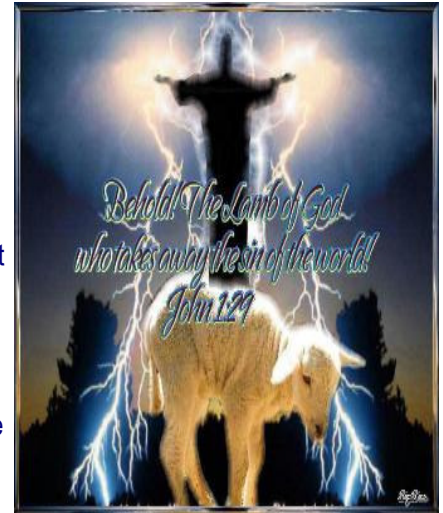
CHRIST THE KING
Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10am
OUR LADY OF PEACE
Sun 9am, 11am & 5pm
ST JOHN BOSCO
Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10am
ST THOMAS MORE
Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10.30am

Thought for the week

John the Baptist knew Jesus as his cousin, but it is not clear until we read today's Gospel that John recognized Jesus as the promised Messiah. John called Jesus the "Lamb of God." We are familiar with the title for Jesus, "Lamb of God," because we hear it in our Eucharistic prayers during mass. The Lamb of God comes to take away the sins of the world. And, indeed, Jesus died that

we might be free of our sins. The lamb figured in much of Jewish tradition, especially as a symbol of sacrifice, but certainly we recognize the image of "shepherd" as one who leads the flock through darkness and difficult terrain.

The message of John's gospel is for us—the simple sheep—to follow Jesus, the shepherd.



Churches Together in Woodley

St John Bosco Church is part of the Churches Together in Woodley (CTW) and this weekend we will be welcoming Sean Riordan from Emmanuel Church who is coming to preach to us as part of the annual Churches Together in Woodley pulpit swap. CTW host many joint ecumenical events each year including "Praise in the Park", the prayer

service on Good Friday in Woodley Precinct, the United Service in October and they organise the delivery of the CTW Christmas cards to all households in Woodley, giving details of the Christmas Services at all the Woodley Churches. Fr Chris meets with the other Ministers once a month and our representatives on the CTW are Gordon

Siviter and Paul Draper. Please look out for the CTW events this year and your support would be much appreciated.



Peace Sunday

This Sunday is a Day of Prayer for Peace. Pax Christi is an international Christian peacemaking movement, based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Their vision is of a world where people can live in peace and without

fear of violence, in all its forms. They believe in prayer, reconciliation, forgiveness, justice and nonviolence and of the right to live in a culture which promotes these values and treats the whole of God's

creation in a respectful and just manner for Peace. Our retiring collection this weekend is for Pax Christi.



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 10.30am

Confirmation Group
Sat 29th Jan 9am RETREAT

Finance & Admin Committee
Wed 19th Jan 7pm

First Holy Communion
Sat 22nd Jan 8.50am

Over 60's Club
Thu 20th Jan 2pm

RCIA
Thu 20th Jan 7.30pm

Prayer Group (SJB)
Mon 24th Jan 8pm

PPC
Wed 9th Feb 8.00pm

Traidcraft Stall
Sun 23rd Jan after Mass

Youth Group
Fri 28th Jan 7-9pm

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 welcomees !


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.

CAFOD	JUMBULANCE	DISTRICT TREASURER
<p>CAFOD SUPPORTERS' MEETING - Saturday 19 Feb, 10am-1.15pm, St Bede's parish hall, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX. An opportunity for all CAFOD supporters in our Diocese to get together and hear about plans for next Lent and Lent Fast Day. Francis McDonagh from the Latin America Team will be speaking about CAFOD's work in Colombia. Booking essential. Please contact the CAFOD Portsmouth office by 7th February: 01252 329385.</p>	<p>Our holiday by Jumbulance this year is to Le Fosso in Brittany, departing on Monday 22 August and returning on Monday 29th. We currently have vacancies for nurses, helpers, both male and female, and VIPs (anyone who is disabled or who needs to be accompanied). For more information please contact: John Gill 0118 9694769; Marie O'Gorman 0118 9691927; or Anne MacDonald 0118 9585841</p>	<p>Loddon District Scouts are looking for someone prepared to take on the role of District Treasurer. We have 11 Scout Groups who all have their own treasurers so it would be a case of collating their accounts, preparing the annual accounts for audit and for the charity commission and writing cheques for insurances etc. It takes approximately half a day a month. You don't need to be an accountant but some knowledge of book keeping would be an advantage. Contact: Barry 9662526</p>

CONFIRMATION	GET INVOLVED IN 2011	TEA & COFFEE
<p>All Confirmation candidates please remember to return your Retreat permission slips to the church office ASAP and no later than 17.01.11. Thank you. Please note we will leave at 9AM on Saturday 29.01.11.</p>	<p>If you are interested in joining one of our church groups please see our church handbook for details. Giving a little of your time can make a big difference. Please join in 2011 and get involved. Phone the church office on 969 3423 if you would like to help ~ thank you</p>	<p>There is tea and coffee after Sunday and Friday Mass in the church centre ~ all are most welcome, so please join us !</p> 

WEEK: 15TH - 23RD JANUARY 2011

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 15th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	John & Mary Knox + (Knox family)	
Sun 16th Peace Sunday	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Connie Hayes + (Carol, Steve & Mark Reading)	
Mon 17th	9.15am	Service of Word and Communion		
Tue 18th	9.15am	Feria	Keith Jukes + (Mary & Margaret)	
Wed 19th	9.15am	St Wulstan	Susan Boxall + (Jo & Bob)	7.00pm - Finance & Administration meeting
Thu 20th	9.15am	St Fabian	Sr Mary Joseph's intentions (Mary & Frank)	2.00pm - Over 60's Club 7.30pm - RCIA
Fri 21st	9.15am	St Agnes	Marjorie Florence Bryant + (Vic Herman)	7.00—9.00pm Youth Group
Sat 22nd	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Fr Kevin Delaney's intentions (Maria)	8.50am - First Holy Communion 10.30am - Baptismal Preparation
Sun 23rd	10.00am 11.30am	Sunday Mass Baptism: William McLoughlin, Evangeline & Edward Froud	Eamonn Burke + (Anne Burke)	

