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# St John Bosco

*Building a strong worshipping community*

**5th Sunday in Lent**  
**10.04.11**  
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The Church Office is open  
Tuesday - Friday 8.30am - 1.30pm

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 326.26  
Loose: £ 360.69  
**Total : £ 686.95**

**Thank you for your kind donations.**

Please remember  
our Lenten  
Almsgiving.



### Psalm Response: Year A

"With the Lord there is  
mercy and fullness of  
redemption".

### Confession

5.30 - 6.00pm on Saturday.

### Next Retiring Collection:

For: Holy Places  
On: Good Friday 22.4.11  
Please see the baskets in the  
porch after the Service

### 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  
first.

### LODDON VALLEY

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

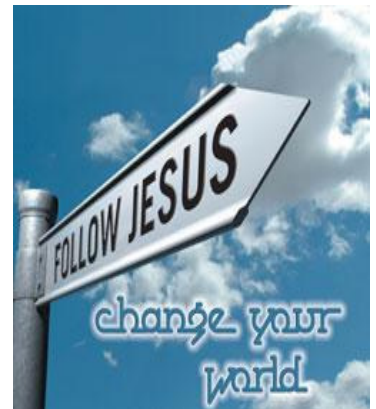
**CHRIST THE KING**  
Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am & 6pm  
**OUR LADY OF PEACE**  
Sun 9am, 11am & 5pm  
**ST JOHN BOSCO**  
Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10am  
**ST THOMAS MORE**  
Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10.30am

## Thought for the week

In this Gospel, John tells the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. The story is significant because it is likely that his action was his last miracle before Jesus began the journey toward his own death. Jesus was called to Bethany to save his friend, but instead waited several days to return. This action confused Lazarus' sisters, Mary and Martha, because they knew that Jesus could have healed their brother.

Jesus used the incident to strengthen the faith of Mary, Martha, and all who believed. He made sure that Lazarus was raised from death so that the people could witness God's glory. The healing power of Jesus brings new life to all of us. Are there some things in our lives that cause us to die to others? Perhaps we are impatient, ungrateful, critical, or quick to anger. Maybe we're proud, boastful, or envious. Jesus

promises us new life if we trust in him and allow our actions to follow his ways.



## Lent Penitential Services

### LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Our St John Bosco Lent Penitential Service is fast approaching on Tuesday 12th April at 7.30pm. Fr Chris will be assisted by Fr Anthony and Fr Pat. This should be part of everyone's Lenten preparation; confessing our sins and having a clear conscience as we approach and participate in the Triduum is essential. For your convenience please note the other Penitential Services at our local churches.

Our Lady & St Anne	Mon	11.04.11 at 7.30pm
<b>St John Bosco</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>12.04.11 at 7.30pm</b>
St Joseph's Tilehurst	Wed	13.04.11 at 7.30pm
Our Lady of Peace	Wed	13.04.11 at 7.30pm
Christ The King	Thu	14.04.11 at 7.30pm
St Thomas More	Thu	14.04.11 at 8pm
English Martyrs	Sat	16.04.11 at 11am
St James	Mon	18.04.11 at 7.30pm

**THIS TUESDAY**

### CHRISM MASS

Please note that the Chrism Mass will take place at St John's Cathedral Portsmouth on Tues 19th April at 11am.



## HUNGER LUNCH ON GOOD FRIDAY !

On 22 April, Good Friday (a day of fasting and abstinence) homemade soup and a roll will be served in the church centre between 12 noon and 2pm. Donations will

be sent to Christian Community a ction. To whet your appetite the menu of soups are: Butternut squash, leek & potato, tomato, carrot & orange and celery. This

fits nicely between the Walk of Witness & WCT Service and Stations of Cross, so please do join us.



# St John Bosco Church Book of Remembrance

For the month of April please pray for:

**Susan Joy + Robert Booth + Terence Manzi +  
Alan Booth + Harry Foster +**

*whose anniversaries are recorded in the book of Remembrance*

**NEXT MEETING DATES:**

Baptism Preparation  
Sat 14th May 10.30am

Confirmation Group  
Sat 14th May 1pm

Finance & Admin Committee  
Wed 25th May 7.30pm

First Holy Communion  
Sat 30th April 8.50am

Over 60's Club  
Thu 14th April 2pm

RCIA  
Thu 14th April 7.30pm

Prayer Group (SJB)  
Mon 18th April 8pm

PPC  
Wed 13th April 8.00pm

Traidcraft Stall  
Sun 17th April after Mass

Youth Group  
Fri 6th May 7-9pm

**PORTSMOUTH PEOPLE**

The April / May issue of the Portsmouth People is now available from the church porch ~ please return once you have read it so other parishioners may enjoy it as well ~ thank you

**HOLY WEEK & TRIDUUM**

Please take a copy of our Holy Week & Easter Timetable which gives details of service during Holy Week, the Triduum and Easter Sunday.

**ADORATION**

Adoration is held every Tuesday after weekday Mass until 11am in the Lady Chapel.

Adoration is a loving meeting... with the Lord. Everyone is most welcome.



**TEA & COFFEE**

Please join us after Mass every Sunday and Friday for tea and coffee in the church centre ~ all most welcome.



SCHOOL ADMISSION APPEALS PANELS	CAFOD	THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA
Volunteers needed to become panel members for schools in the Diocese of Portsmouth. These panels enable parents to exercise their right to appeal when their application for a school place has been turned down. Panels must contain people involved in education and lay people and members must have no connection with the school for which appeals are being heard. Please see poster on the noticeboard or contact Maureen Simmons, 01329 835363,	<b>RAFFLE VOLUNTEERS</b> - Could you help selling CAFOD raffle tickets this spring, as a great way to raise funds for poor communities? Great prizes, and the chance to win one for your parish. No experience or special skills needed, just a winning smile and the desire to help a good cause. If this sounds like you (and you are 16 or over) please contact the CAFOD Portsmouth office or 01252 329385 by the end of April 2011. <b>GREAT SOUTH RUN</b> - Do you enjoy a challenge? Would you like to help CAFOD in a different way this year? We are looking for runners to take part in the Great South Run in Portsmouth on Sun 30 October (10 miles), or, if you are aged 3-8 or 9-15, in the Mini (1.5 km) and Junior (2.5 km) Great South Runs! We will be there on the day to cheer you on! For more info and/or to register please contact Sian Hughes: 020 7095 5333	THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA are seeking new members from our church to help with their charity work and to give help to the clergy in our diocese. Any men wishing to find out more can contact Email : <a href="mailto:province23@hotmail.com">province23@hotmail.com</a> or call 01344 883363
<b>"EGG RUN"</b>		<b>CAKES FOR ROMANIA</b>
Please bring any Easter Eggs you would like donate to The Variety Club, who distribute them to disadvantaged families and kids in care, to the church on or before 17th April. Please contact Mary Stanbridge who is organising this with her son with any queries ~ thank you.		The Romania Group will be having a cake sale after Mass on Easter Sunday morning. If you are able to help by baking a cake to make a really good spread please bring it to the church on Saturday evening before the Easter vigil, or on Easter Sunday morning. Thank you for your support.



**WEEK: 9TH - 17TH APRIL 2011**

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 9th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Brenda Saunders + (F & L Collaco)	
Sun 10th 5th Sunday in Lent	10.00am	Sunday Mass with RCIA Candidates "Act of Faith"	Alvito D'Mello birthday blessing (Brenda)	
Mon 11th	9.15am	Service of Word and Communion		
Tue 12th	9.15am 7.30pm	Of the 5th week of Lent SJB Lent Penitential Service	Mr Joseph Barber + (Mrs E Barber)	2.00pm - Lenten Reflections
Wed 13th	9.15am	Of the 5th week of Lent	Thanksgiving (Justin)	8.00pm - PPC Meeting
Thu 14th	9.15am	Of the 5th week of Lent	Ian Shaw + (Chris & Lada Carter)	2.00pm - Over 60's Club 7.30pm - RCIA meeting
Fri 15th	9.15am 7.30pm	Of the 5th week of Lent Stations of the Cross	Mr Joseph Barber + (Mrs E Barber)	
Sat 16th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Colin & Marina Wedding Anniversary (Colin & Marina)	
Sun 17th Palm Sunday	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Yvonne Young + (Ashley Young)	

