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St John Bosco

Building a strong worshipping community

The Ascension of the Lord
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The Church Office is open
Tuesday - Friday
8.30am - 1.30pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 321.20

Loose: £ 275.35

Total : £ 596.55

Thank you for your kind
donations.

Standing Order for the
month of April totalled
£ 1323.00 ~ thank you.

Psalm Response: Year A

"God goes up with shouts
of joy; the Lord goes up
with trumpet blasts".

Confession

5.30 - 6.00pm on Saturday.

Next Retiring Collection:

For: World Communications

On: 5th June 2011

Please see the baskets in the
porch after the Service

THIS WEEKEND!

Emergency numbers for the
Sacramental Ministry of a
priest

Fr Chris 969 3423

Fr. Pat 931 4469

Fr. Anthony 966 3711

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

Thought for the week

Upon meeting Jesus on the top of the mountain as arranged, the disciples knelt down before him. Jesus told them to make disciples of all nations and to teach the commandments He had given them. Jesus then said "and know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time".

After Jesus had ascended into heaven before their eyes, the reality as they descended the mountain, was there would have been one less set of footprints coming down than going up; Jesus was no longer physically

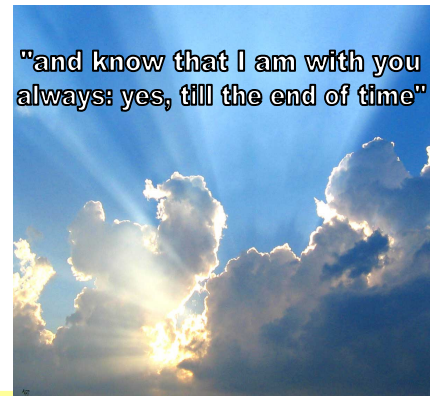
with them, but He had told them He would be in other ways. The Mass gives us the ways He is present amongst us; in the community, in the scripture, when the bread and wine are consecrated into His Body and Blood. This presence, this closeness to the risen Lord, continues from the Mass, from the Sacraments into our daily lives.

Jesus is absent yet present, as He said He would be.

We should all take a moment to look at our lives and find when Jesus has been present for us,

helping us often in difficult situations. We should all make a little time to feel closer to our Lord.

"and know that I am with you always: yes, till the end of time"



St John Bosco General Meeting

The PPC invites all members of St John Bosco church to attend a meeting THIS Wednesday 8th June at 7.30 pm for an update on our worshipping community.

We hope to answer all questions that were submitted, which fall into 3



main categories; Liturgy, Living our Faith and our Loddon Valley Pastoral Area.

Only questions previously submitted will be answered.

There will be tea & coffee served at 7.30pm and the meeting will start at 8pm.

There is an attendance form on the notice board, so we can gauge numbers for the meeting so please sign up. Please do make the effort to attend as this concerns YOUR church.

Thank you.

Next week!

The New Translation of the Roman Missal

The translation of the Mass which we currently use is going to change from the beginning of September. This new translation will be the biggest change in the way Mass is celebrated since the early 1970s. Over the coming months there will be short articles in our newsletter each week which will help us to understand what

these changes are and why they have come about. There are plenty of opportunities for people to learn more about the new translation and become familiar with the changes - a number of sessions have been arranged for those who would like to find out more. A variety of printed resources will be available,

including the new responses for Mass. The coming of the new translation is a great opportunity for us all to learn more about the Mass, and deepen our understanding of the liturgy and its meaning and relevance for us in our lives today.



St John Bosco Church Book of Remembrance

For the month of June please pray for:

Robert Castle +
Howard James +

Bernadette James +
Frank Donohoe +

Terence Chappe +
Michael Mole +

whose anniversaries are recorded in the book of Remembrance

NEXT MEETING DATES:

Baptism Preparation
Sat 9th July 10.30am

Confirmation rehearsal
Tue 21st June at 7.30pm

Finance & Admin Committee
TBC

First Holy Communion
Sat 11th June 8.50am

Over 60's Club
Thu 9th June 2pm

Prayer Group (SJB)
Mon 6th June 8.00pm

PPC General meeting
Wed 8th June 8.00pm

SJB Bookworms
Wed 15th June
7.30pm



Traidcraft Stall
Sun 12th June after Mass

Youth Group
Fri 10th June 7-9pm

Remember

Please remember to pray for our First Holy Communion Children and our Confirmation Candidates who are making their final preparations for receiving these important sacraments later this month.



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.



YOUTH MINISTRY LEADER	VOUCHERS	ROMANIA LINK
A new post to develop Catholic Youth Ministry in the parishes in Reading. Salary £20,000 - £24,000. 37.5 hours per week, mostly evenings & weekends. Closing date 24.06.11 Interviews 11th July. Start date Sept 2011. Application pack www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/vacancies or from Parish Office, St James, Abbots Walk, Reading. Enquiries to Fr John O'Shea. Tel 0118 957 4171	Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers end on 31st May~please drop off any remaining vouchers asap -thanks	A huge thank you to everyone who contributed items for the recent Pagoda Sale. As a result of the high quality items donated we raised the record amount of £620.00. With items remaining we will be having a car boot sale on 12 June, and have another Pagoda Sale booked for 22 July. All funds raised will be taken to Romania when we visit in September. Thank you very much
	CANDLES	
	Unfortunately, due to the candle cash boxes being broken into we shall no longer be using them. Please use the slot in the wall as before for all candle donations ~ thank you.	

MUSCIANS	INVOCATION 2011	DAY TRIP
Information evening on the revised translation of the Roman Missal: For Muscians at Christ the King Church, Whitley on Wed 15th June at 7.30pm This will present new and revised settings of the Mass texts from a variety of different sources. There is no charge but booking is essential: book via eileenstephen-son@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk	National Discernment Festival for young people (16 -35 years) at Oscott College, Birmingham 17th-19th June. Cost £50. Please see the poster on the church notice board for further details Booking forms available from the church office.	A coach will leave from St James Church, Forbury Road at 9am on Wed 15.06.11 Options to visit Bath Abbey, The Roman Baths and open Top Bus tour (not included in the cost). Leaving at 4.30pm. Cost per person £12.00. Led by Fr John O'Shea. If you would like to go please contact St James Office ASAP. 0118 957 4171

WEEK: 4TH - 12TH JUNE 2011

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 4th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	All St John Bosco parishioners	
Sun 5th The Ascension	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Heather Harris (Janet & Joe)	11.30 ~ Praise in the Park Woodley Churches Together Service.
Mon 6th	9.15am	Service of Word and Communion		8.00 - SJB Prayer Group
Tue 7th	9.15am	Of the 7th week of Easter	Private intention (Justin)	
Wed 8th	9.15am	Of the 7th week of Easter	John Knox +	8.00pm - General Meeting ~ all welcome
Thu 9th	9.15am	St Ephrem	Patricia Andrews +	2.30pm - Over 60's Club
Fri 10th	9.15am	Of the 7th week of Easter	John Andrews & family's intentions (F Collaco)	7.00-9.00pm - Youth Group
Sat 11th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Maria Abbondanza & Saverio Zeolla + (Mr & Mrs F Zeolla)	8.50am - First Holy Communion practice
Sun 12th	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Tessa Peat + (Peat family)	 TRAIDCRAFT Fighting poverty through trade

"He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father"