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opening: Tuesday - Friday
8.00am - 1.00pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 356.00

Loose: £ 269.52

Total : £ 625.52p

Thank you for your kind
donations.

If you wish to Gift Aid your
donations please take a
booklet from the church
porch ~ thank you

Psalm Response: Year A

**“Lord, how I
love your law ! ”**

Confession

5.30—6pm Saturday

Next Retiring Collection:

For: Net Ministries

On: 31st July 2011

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

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

Jesus compared the Kingdom to a valuable treasure. First it was a buried treasure and second it was like a rare and priceless pearl. These findings were more valuable than anything we have known previously and that is what the Kingdom will be, too. When we finally understand the Kingdom of God, it will be like finding the greatest treasure we

can imagine. However, it will be God who sorts out the good from the bad. Judgement is not ours. For one day think about your actions and make a mental list of what you have shown to be “jewels” in your life. Be honest and if necessary, make some adjustments as a result of this reflection



THANK YOU

Fr Chris and parishioners would like to thank Helen Mole and her family for the very generous donation of the statue of St John Bosco with St Dominic Savio. The statue was presented at the Vigil Mass on Sat 9th July, and is residing in its new home, in pride of place, in the church porch. The statue is dedicated in memory of Helen’s husband Michael Mole.

DISABLED PARKING BAYS

ALL parishioners are reminded that the disabled parking bays are for disabled drivers with a disabled parking badge. Please do not use the bays unless you have a badge and do not block access to these bays. Thank you.



SOCIETY OF AFRICAN MISSIONARIES

Last weekend we welcomed Fr Rimmer from the Society of African Missionaries to our church. The collection for the African Missionaries raised £654.58 ~ thank you all for your generosity and support.



Divine Mercy Circle

DIVINE MERCY CIRCLE RETREAT SAT 3RD SEPT

At St John Bosco Parish Centre, Led by Fr Andrzej Gowkielewicz MIC Marian Father, director of Divine Mercy Apostolate, London. The Reading Divine Mercy Circle will be launched at this event from **11am—4pm**. We will then meet monthly at Holy Hour on a Sunday in various churches in Reading. Dates will be announced at this

day of prayer. The event is free, it will consist of prayer, talks, and saying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. There will be Mass @ 6.30pm in St John Bosco Church, with Fr Chris Whelan presiding & Fr Andrzej concelebrating. A full program with all prayers will be supplied so all you need to bring is a pack lunch, a rosary and an open heart. We look forward to sharing a wonderful day with you



NEXT MEETING DATES:

Baptism Preparation
Sat 10th Sept 10.30am

Finance & Admin Committee
Wed 28th Sept at 7pm

Over 60's Club
Thu 8th Sept 2pm

Prayer Group (SJB)
TBC in September

SJB Bookworms
Wed 7th Sept
7.30pm



Traidcraft Stall
Sun 4th Sept after Mass

Youth Group
On Summer Break

Photographs

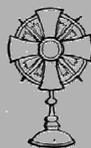
Confirmation and First Holy Communion photo proofs are available to collect from the church office NOW during office opening times and any orders must be returned before next Friday 29th July ~ thank you.

FRIDAY PENANCE

At the Spring Meeting of the Bishops' Conference it was decided that the practice of Friday abstinence from meat should be clearly re-established in the lives of Catholics as a distinctive mark of Catholic identity and witness from the 16.09.11. Please see the notice board for further details.

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 welcome.

TEA & COFFEE

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



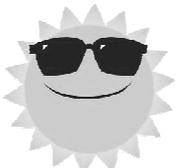
St John Bosco Church Book of Remembrance

For the month of July please pray for:

Maura Cox + Bernard Joy + John Davis +
Tony Jacobs + Margaret Bond + Eileen Murphy +
Bridget Pocock + Zofia Niedzwiedzka + Joseph Darne +

whose anniversaries are recorded in the book of Remembrance

LIFE HOUSES	CAFOD	The New Roman Missal
provide accommodation for homeless expectant mothers and their babies, have received government funding, but they are now having their funding stopped. The Bracknell house may have to close unless local money can be found. If anyone feels able to make a donation, or organise a fundraising event, this would be much appreciated. Money raised must be sent to LIFE, 64 Liebenrood Rd Reading RG30 2EB marked Bracknell house. Thank you	You will be aware that East Africa is currently experiencing the worst drought in almost 60 years, affecting people in Somalia, Kenya, Ethiopia, Sudan and Eritrea. Given the gravity of the situation the UK's Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), of which CAFOD is a member, has decided to launch an appeal. This will take place here at St John Bosco on the 21st August	The New Translation of the Roman Missal – 'And with your spirit' One of the first things we will notice with the new translation is that, when the priest says 'The Lord be with you', we now say 'And with your spirit'. This is much closer to the original Latin 'et cum spirit tuo', and is found in e.g. German, Italian, French and Spanish. It is a very biblical response: St Paul concludes four of his letters with a very similar expression e.g. 2 Tim 4:22 'The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.' (see also Galatians 6:18, Philippians 4:23, Philemon 25). For nearly 2000 years, Christians have been greeting each other, 'The Lord be with you', 'and with your spirit.' So the new translation will bring unity to this response in all the languages of the world - and with all previous Christian generations
HOLIDAYS	NEW TESTAMENT GREEK	
With most schools breaking up last Friday we would like to wish all pupils, teachers, and all parishioners a very relaxing and happy summer break.	Anyone interested in forming an informal group to meet monthly to read the New Testament in Greek? Two of us completed a Certificate in NT Greek last year and would like to keep up our studies with others, at least one of whom would need to be more learned than we are. Contact Angela: angela.wills@btinternet.com	



WEEK: 23RD - 31ST JULY 2011

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 23rd	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	John Knox + (E & A O'Connor)	
Sun 24th	10.00am 11.30am	Sunday Mass Baptism: Mason Hall	40th Wedding Anniversary Thanksgiving (Ron & Trish Hayes)	
Mon 25th	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion		
Tue 26th	9.15am	Ss Joachim & Anne	George Johnson + (Chris & Lada Carter)	
Wed 27th	9.15am	Feria	Ken Hay + (Chris Hay)	
Thu 28th	9.15am	Feria	Special intentions of Olivia & Bobby on their wedding day (Grandma Elizabeth)	
Fri 29th	9.15am	St Martha	Eileen Murphy + (Liam Murphy)	
Sat 30th	12 noon 6.30pm	Wedding: James Downing & Elizabeth O'Hanlon Vigil Mass	Charles + (Joyce)	
Sun 31st	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Maria & Michael Zeolla + (Mr & Mrs F Zeolla)	