St. Michael's Bulletin

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FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY January 3rd, 2010.
Vigil of Sunday 5.30 pm Anne McAdam

9.00 am Our Parish Family **1030 am Aldworth & Connely families**
Monday 9.00am Morning Prayer & Mass Tuesday 9.00 am Morning Prayer & Mass
Wednesday 9.00 am Eucharistic Service Thursday 9.00am Morning prayer & Mass
Friday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass **Saturday 5.30pm Vigil Mass**

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FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS.

Lord, send Your Healing Spirit on all who are in any way sick or distressed: we pray for Claudina Rodrigues, Eugenie Micotti, Joseph Bradley, Mike Coulehan, Harry Littlefair, Nancy Keogh, Gerald Scullane, Jason Thatcher , David Roberts, Marie Evans, Rita Conlon, Margaret Keane, Siobhain Moran, Maureen Vinall, Frank O'Donnell, Gwen Payne, Pat Walton, Denis Goodchild , Margaret Munter, Michael O'Neil , Mike Nolan and John Coverdale.

Bring them Your healing and peace.

FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY.

We pray for Anne McAdam, Anthony Rawlinson Plant, Fr James McInerney and all who died recently: for all killed in wars, disasters and accidents: victims of terrorism and oppression, and for those who die of starvation or neglect. We pray for Charles and Mary Ann Smith, Grace Rehor, James Belletty, Peter Raynard, Kitty Cottrell, Richard cannings, Roberto Roman Arrieta, Richmond Buike, Henry Clay, Lucy Emma D'Souza and Delicia Rose Ingram whose anniversaries fall at this time.

Grant them the joy of Your Presence.

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A NEW YEAR HAS BEGUN.

It is a tradition that we make "New Year Resolutions" with a view to improving the quality of our daily lives. Apparently the three most popular resolutions at the moment are a resolve to eat more sensibly, drink less, exercise more. No doubt we find these three resolutions hit the nail on the head. But what do YOU resolve to do in this New Year? Maybe we can each find something else which is more specific and personal to our own life-style.Perhaps smile more and be more cheery to each other, rather that allow ourselves to turn into grumpy old men and women. One resolution I would be keen for us all to observe when we come to church, myself included, is that we wipe our feet on the mat provided in the porch and that we tidy up after ourselves at the end of Mass, returning bulletins and Mass sheets to the table at the back. If our children have been using any of the books provided for them, then we should return those also to the children's book-box under the table in the alcove. Maybe we might also give a hand to return hymn books we have used to the shelves in the small alcove. This may seem a small matter, but when only a few people are helping then the task increases. Let us all do our bit to help.

"BIBLE ALIVE." And "MY DAY BY DAY"

There are a few copies of this month's edition at the back on the table. But as there are still several left over each month, perhaps I should cut down on our order, unless there are those who really appreciate these publications each month. If so, would you be so kind as to let me know which you would like, please?

BLOOD DONORS.

There is an opportunity to give some of your blood at The Rugby Clubhouse on the Marlow Road in Henley on Friday 15th. There is notice on the board with all the details. How about this for a New Year Resolution?

SCHOOL BEGINS.

Schools re-open this week. No doubt the children will be delighted to meet up again with all their friends and exchange their news about what they received at Christmas and all the exciting events they enjoyed. Meanwhile, millions of Mums are leaping in the air, clicking their heels together and shouting "Yippee!"

SIGNIFICANT DATES FOR 2010.

Pre-Lenten Parish Social, Saturday February 13th.
Ash Wednesday February 17th
Good Friday April 2nd; Easter Sunday April 4th.
First Holy Communion May 15th
Confirmation June 17th (But this may change with our new Archbishop)

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May we continue to enjoy our time with our families. Fr Chris