



St. Michael's Bulletin



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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY July 4th 2010.

5.30 pm Our parish family

9.00 am Private intention

1030 am Cotter & O'Shea families

Monday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass

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Thursday 9.00 am Eucharistic Service

Friday 9.00 am Michael & Julia Keogh

Saturday 5.30 pm James & Audrey Belletty.

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FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS.

Lord, send Your Healing Spirit on all who are sick or distressed: 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, Denis Goodchild, Margaret Munter, Michael O'Neil, Mike Nolan, Josephine Clay, Barry Haggard, Joseph Smith and John Fry.

Bring them Your healing and peace.

FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY.

We pray for all who died recently; for all those killed in wars, disasters and accidents throughout the world: for all victims of terrorism and oppression, and for those who die of starvation or neglect. For Richard Frankton, Marie Anschutz van Bree, Patrick Cottrell, Grace Coll, W. Smyth, Margaret Mather, Maggie Carroll, Michael Werkalec, Chris Tynan, Helen Coyle, Jerry Ferris, Andrzej Jakubiszyn, Michael & Julia Keogh, Marie O'Shea, Jack Coyle, Christopher & Alf Wade and Martin Dougan whose anniversaries fall at this time

Grant them the joy of Your Presence

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LETTER FROM THE ARCHBISHOP.

This should have been read last week, but to avoid clashing with the Mission Appeal we have postponed it until today. Archbishop Bernard speaks of the Year of Priests which has just ended, when we gave thanks for the Priesthood and prayed for our priests. He also mentions that he receives from Pope Benedict a "pallium", the insignia of his office as Archbishop. This is the yoke-like scarf which is draped over his shoulders and symbolises his yoke to his mission for Jesus, the lamb of God. The wool to make the "pallium" is taken from two young lambs on the feast of St Agnes (agnus=lamb).

POPE BENEDICT'S VISIT

It has now been made public that Pope Benedict will be going to Cofton Park in Birmingham, rather than to Coventry Airport, for the Beatification of Cardinal Newman. This is the choice of the Police and security forces who are in charge of his visit. Cofton Park is a lovely part of South Birmingham, and the advantage of going there is that it is near the site of old motor works, formerly British Leyland, Rover and BMW, which have now been demolished and are awaiting re-development. This means that a huge clear space has been created where buses and cars will be able to park. This will make it much more amenable for the vehicles and crowds which are expected for the Pope's visit on September 19th.

I have put some booklets on the table for you to look at. These booklets suggest that each parish has a programme of events which can be to the benefit of both the whole parish as well as to individuals within the parish.

I suggest that perhaps we dedicate one week-end to praying specifically for the success of his visit. Our Masses can then include a homily from Francis or myself which will give us the possibility of hearing a little more about Cardinal Newman so that we can begin to understand a little better why he is so highly regarded by scholarly Theologians.

LATE NOTICE.

I have only recently received notice of the annual St Birinus Pilgrimage. It takes place **TODAY**, beginning at Church Knob in Blewbury with a picnic at 1.00pm. The pilgrimage begins with a 12 mile walk to Dorchester where there is a Service in the Abbey at 6.30pm. A shorter walk of 5 miles begins at Brightwell-cum-Sotwell at 3.30pm, but you can join at any time along the route, and refreshments will be served along the way. There are leaflets on the table at the back of church.

THANK YOU

The amount we sent to the Columban Missionaries was £520. I know that some of you gave cheques and personal offerings to Fr Jerry, so this is a very generous amount and will do a great deal of good in Korea in Fr Jerry's parish.

