



# St. Michael's Bulletin



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TWENTYEIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR. OCTOBER 12th 2008

Vigil 5.30 pm Holy Souls

9. 00 am Parish family

10.30 am Holy Souls

Monday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass

Tuesday 9.00 am Eucharistic Service

Wednesday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass

Thursday 9.00 Morning prayer & Mass

Friday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass ( Jane & George Raynard )

**Saturday Vigil 5.30 Holy Souls**

**FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS.**

Lord, send Your Spirit on all who are in any way distressed: Claudina Rodrigues, Eugenie Micotti, Alison & Betty Gosling, Ena Wilson, Marguerite Brosnan, Patrick Cafferkey, Pat Sullivan, Jack Daly, Joseph Bradley, Mike Coulehan, Harry Littlefair, Peter Gibson, Jean Dwyer, Molly Morgan and Maria Beaumont.

**Bring them Your healing and peace.**

**FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY**

We pray for all who died recently, for all killed in wars, disasters and accidents. For victims of terrorism and oppression; for those who die of starvation or neglect. We remember Eileen Milne, Mary Andrews, Thomas Butler, Stephen Boyle, Nigel Hesker, Jane Raynard, James Enright, Rosy and Gregorio D'Silva, Eric Gillett, Winifred Dougan and Tersa Carter whose anniversaries fall at this time. **May they find rest in Your Love and Peace.**

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**THIS WEEK-END WE WELCOME FR LAWRENCE NDOMAINA.**

Fr Lawrence Ndomaina is a priest of the Order of St Francis Xavier. He is from Sierra Leone. He is here to seek our support for the work his missionary order does in the parts of the world where people are in greatest need.

**STUDY GROUP.**

This is the 2000<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of St Paul, and Pope Benedict has asked us to mark this event by dedicating the year to a better understanding of Paul's writings and teachings. There are times when we listen to extracts from Paul's letters during Mass and find them very difficult to understand. But when we read them in their entirety they make great sense. Each letter was written to the early Christian communities in Turkey, ( Galatians, Ephesians, Colossians, Timothy ) Greece ( Thessalonians, Corinthians, Titus ), Rome and a very personal one to Philemon. If you would like to join a group to share a read-through of the letters of St Paul, would you let either myself or Brian Theobald know, please. A simple shared reading will help us understand his teachings better.

**FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME.**

The first Parents' session took place at St Martin's last Tuesday. The Celebration Mass will be next Sunday. The theme of our first Mass of preparation is "Belonging". We try to help both children and parents to understand that our most basic need in life is to belong; whether to a family, to a community or to a special person. As human beings we are made for each other and our most basic need is satisfied when we know where we belong. As we prepare for first Holy Communion we begin to understand that because we have been baptised we belong to God and to His family. As members of His family our task is to live together in caring love for each other.

**CHOIR PRACTICE**

There will be a choir practice on Saturday morning. You are all welcome to come and join us.

**FAMILY FAST DAY.**

Thank you for your contributions. Last week received just over £236. I will publish the final amount when all the envelopes have been returned, and then send it all off the CAFOD.

**RED MISSION BOXES**

These are now ready to be collected and emptied, and their contents sent away to the Missions. If you have one of these little red boxes and it has not yet been collected, then would you please bring it along to church? Thank you.

**"CURSILLO".**

This is the name for a short course to help us boost our Faith and understand it more profoundly. A few places still remain on the next "cursillo" which will be held at Cold Ash, from October 30<sup>th</sup> – November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please see notice at the back of church. For more information contact [stephen.fox@btinternet.com](mailto:stephen.fox@btinternet.com)

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**I hope we all have a joyful week. Fr Chris**