



St. Michael's Bulletin



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TWENTYNINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR. OCTOBER 19th 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
Thursday 2.00 pm Funeral Service at Henley Road crematorium.	Kathleen Brookes
Friday 9.00 am Eucharistic Service	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, Pat Sullivan, Jack Daly, Joseph Bradley, Mike Coulehan, Harry Littlefair, Peter Gibson, Molly Morgan, Megan North and Maria Beaumont.

Bring them Your healing and peace.

FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

We pray for David Rimmer, Kathleen Brookes and 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 Teresa Carter, Jessie McGinn, Jill Frildo, Alan Waller, Mamie Cotter, Raymond Enright, Michael & Francis Coffey, Leonard Godfrey and Angela May, whose anniversaries fall at this time. **May they find rest in Your Love and Peace.**

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FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME.

The first Celebration Mass takes place today at 1030am. Our children are now beginning the serious preparation for their first Holy Communion. The theme of this first Mass is "Belonging". We help the children to explore this notion by recalling their baptism when they became members of God's family, the church. We now try to help them play a fuller part in that family as they grow in their understanding of what belonging to a family means. At each of these Celebrations we try to involve the children as much as possible in order to help them take a more grown-up role in our weekly act of worship, and help them grow in their own personal relationship with God. The young children do not go into the parish house for their own liturgy today, because we want them to see how the other children can share actively in Mass, and this will act as an inspiration to them for their own futures.

STUDY GROUP.

We intend to begin this study group on Wednesday 29th October. The course will proceed for 6 weeks, meeting each Wednesday in the parish house at 7.30 pm for one hour. In preparation for this short course we are advised to read the beginning of The Acts of the Apostles up to chapter 10. this gives the necessary background to Paul's letters. At each session we will read from the letters of St Paul beginning with the first letter to the Thessalonians. As we read the letters we will keep tabs on Paul's travels by referring back to the Acts of the Apostles, which gives details of his journeys and encounters and helps us understand why he wrote the letters in the first place.

FAMILY FAST DAY.

Thank you for the money given for the Family Fast day, which came to £396.36. While giving money is very important in aiding the poor of our world, it is also a very useful exercise for us all to actually have a "fast" on these special days to help us understand what those who have so little to eat experience every day.

Since CAFOD instituted these family Fast Days many have taken it upon themselves to fast every Friday!

FR LAWRENCE NDOMAINA.

Thank you too for the £492.51 which you gave to Fr Lawrence for his appeal for the Xaverian Missionaries. Fr Lawrence was delighted with his stay amongst us. He said he thought us a very happy and lively parish

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.

"Some give to the missions by going. Others go to the Missions by giving."

CLOCKS CHANGE

The clocks change on Saturday night. Make sure you change yours before setting out for Mass on Sunday morning.

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I hope we all have a peaceful week. Fr Chris