



St. Michael's Bulletin



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TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR August 29th 2010.
5.30 pm Holy Souls

9.00 am Anthony Patrick
Monday 9.00 a Eucharistic Service
Wednesday 9.00 am Eucharistic Service
Friday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass

1030 am Theresa Dulson (sick).
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Saturday 5.30 pm Holy Souls.

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FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS.

Lord, send Your Healing Spirit on all who are sick or distressed: Claudina Rodrigues, Eugenie Micotti, 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 Haggar, Joseph Smith, John Fry, Theresa Dulson and Rev Dick Chown.

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. We pray for Anthony Patrick, Pam Marsland, Diana, Princess of Wales, Rachele de Souza, Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Anthony Fajer, Yvonne Aubrier, Helen Newman, Margaret Aldworth, Sean Smyth, Claude Burke and Michael Dobson, whose anniversaries fall at this time.

Grant them the joy of Your Presence

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WE WELCOME FATHER ANDRZEJ.

Fr Andrzej Gowkielewicz is with us again this week-end. We thank him for his willingness to come to be with us both last week-end and this one, too. Fr Chris will be back next week-end, and then we should be back to our familiar ways. I apologise to Fr Andrzej for misspelling his surname on last week's bulletin. I wonder if Polish people have as much trouble with the spelling and pronunciation of some of our British names? Cholmondley, Auchinleck or Beauchamp, for instance, not to mention some of the almost unpronounceable place names in Wales or Scotland.

FLOODS IN PAKISTAN AND CHINA

In the beginning the appeals made on behalf of the flood-victims in Pakistan received a very slow response. But this has picked up very significantly since then. You may have noticed that the agency now responsible for making the appeal is referred to as the **DEC**. This is the **Disaster Emergency Committee**, which comprises all the major charities who work so tirelessly when such disasters hit the world. It is now the case that all these major charities combine their efforts, resources and manpower, thus cutting down on needless over-heads and making direct contact with those agencies already working in the affected countries where they have direct contact with National agencies working with and for the local populace.

So our own **Catholic Fund for Overseas Development (CAFOD)** is one of these principal charities involved in this new umbrella group, and we should rejoice that there is now no duplication or confusion in the distribution of aid. It has frequently been a bone of contention that much of what is donated for an emergency goes in administrative and costs and overhead; but this new system has cut all that down, so we can now have greater confidence that the money we donate goes straight to the point of greatest need.

Thank you for your contributions last week which bring our total to just over £450.00. But since some of this has been "Gift-Aided" then the amount which will reach the victims of these disastrous floods will be slightly greater. Thank you.

MALTA DAY.

On September 11th there will be a 10th Anniversary celebration of "Malta Day-UK". While this event is primarily for the Maltese community in England, all friends of Malta are most welcome to attend. Details on the table at the back..

FESTIVAL OF AGES.

Age Concern have sent us some publicity for a "Festival of Ages". The plan is for this festival to be a celebration of age, where young and older people can come together and enjoy a number of activities which are said to be "intergenerational", such as cooking, story-telling. Sounds exciting. Details on the table at the back.