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HOME MISSION SUNDAY 2010

There is so much to ponder today: the Papal visit as it concludes; the beatification of Cardinal John Henry Newman; the Church's celebration of Home Mission Sunday, inviting us to pray for, promote and participate in the sharing of our faith in the dioceses of England and Wales; and the call to reflect on three very challenging readings.

In the midst of all these important considerations the hinge may be seen to be our second reading today. As ever, St Paul, the great evangelist, gives a clear presentation of the lived reality of our Christian faith. He challenges us to pray for the whole world (that all may be saved) and in a special way for leaders, that in working for peace they may facilitate the appropriate environment in which the Church can gather to pray. He also writes of the message of God's love to go out to all. Within that, St Paul places the Good News, the Gospel message, at the heart of what we are aspiring to. He reminds us that God the Father and God the Son are one. Jesus is the mediator sent by the Father, the living embodiment of the Father's love for the world. The climax of Jesus' mission on earth was to bring about the reconciliation of humanity to God by the sacrifice that he made on the Cross. This was fulfilled in the glory of the Resurrection. And the reality of that love, that Cross, that Resurrection, is what Paul was sent to herald. He expected those that he shared this message with to become heralds of it as well. This message is central to the salvation of the world and we too are invited to speak of it in our times, to be heralds of the Good News.

Through our prayer and proclamation, in the same way today, the messages of our other readings will be fulfilled. As Amos challenges, the injustices done to the poor will be righted, and as Luke writes in his analogy,

greed will be replaced decisively with God's will of generosity to all.

This call to pass on the transforming, saving power of the Gospel is John Henry Newman's – and Pope Benedict's – message to us this weekend. As Newman invites us in his motto, 'Heart speaks unto heart', we are called to an intimate, loving relationship with God from which our faith can grow and our response in prayer and the sharing of our faith can flourish. And we are called to deeper relationships with all those we encounter in every day life, growing in love for them to such a degree that we want to give the very best of who we are to them; our faith!

This message of 'heart speaks unto heart' reminds us of the Gospel accounts of the great commandment, where we are called by Christ to love the Lord our God with all our heart, all our mind, all our strength and all our will, and to love our neighbour as our self. St Paul, in his letter to the Galatians, states that the whole of Scripture is summarised in this request to love our neighbour. In both these commands, heart is commanded to speak to heart, not in a divine authoritative way, but because God knows and seeks what is best for us, and such love is for our ultimate blessing and good. This love, which is the Spirit of God that loves each and every person across the world and across time so much, wants everyone to know him and receive only the best themselves. This love is true salvation.

On this Home Mission Sunday then, let us remember that our mission is to truly love our sisters and brothers, whoever and wherever they may be, as God loves them: to pray for them, to share the loving fullness of our faith with them, that with God, with us and with each other, heart may truly speak to heart.

Fr Simon Penhalagan, Diocese of Northampton and Leader of the Sion Community.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 18th/19th September 2010 Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)

Sat 6.30pm Bernard McClean RIP (Monica Guntrip)

Sun 9am People of the Parish

11am Angelina & Concetta de Stastio RIP (Mrs D'Agostino)12.30pm Baptisms: Liam Ethan O'Connor, Georgia Emily Devaney and Nathan Paul Hunt.

2pm Baptism: Myla Maris Turner6pm Monica Grant RIP (Mary Foley)

Daily Masses 20th-25th September 2010

Mon SS Andrew Kim Taegon, priest & martyr & St Paul Chong

Hasang & companions, martyrs9.30am Elsie Turner RIP (FM)5.30pm Syro Malabar Mass

Tues St Matthew apostle & evangelist

9.30am Funeral Mass: Bill Stevens RIP

Wed Feria

9.30am Monica Grant RIP (Kathleen Kelleher)

Thur St Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), priest

9.30am Frank Amato RIP (Lin Dellagrotta)

Fri Our Lady of Walsingham

10am Richard Challoner School Mass

12 Noon In Thanksgiving: 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mary and Eddie Ryan

Sat Feria

9am Roy Rogers RIP (Family)

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 25th/26th September 2010 <u>Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</u>

Sat 6.30pm Ron Turnpenny RIP (Marie & Family)

Sun 9am Sebastian & Maria Ernesto RIP (Pinguinta Buta)

11am Joan Parker RIP (Pat & Family)

12.30pm Baptisms: James Michael Reilly, Mia Boughtflower and Miguel Rian Cummings

6pm People of the Parish

Last week's Offertory collection£1,966Catholic Association for Racial Justice£ 175We thank you for your continued generosity





We welcome into the Church Thomas Elliott Mooney, Marcus Schofield and Tony Christopher Coyle who were Baptised last weekend.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)
Saturdays 9.30am-10am and 5.30pm-6pm

Readings:

This Week: 25th Sunday in OT

First Reading Amos 8:4-7

God describes the oppression of those who are poor and vulnerable as being sinful.

Second Reading 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Paul urges that prayers be said for people in positions of power, that they may lead their lives and make decisions in accordance with Gospel values.

Gospel Luke 16:1-13

You cannot be a slave of both God and money.

Next Week: 26th Sunday in OT

First Reading Amos 6:1. 4-7

The prophet warns of the dangers faced by those who are greedy and complacent, heedful of no one's needs but their own

Second Reading 1 Timothy 6:11-16

St Paul encourages Timothy, his co-worker, to be true to his calling.

Gospel Luke 16:19-31

In the parable about the rich man and the poor man, Jesus emphasises the necessity of showing mercy to our neighbour.

We pray for all the faithful departed who have recently died. We pray especially for Monica Grant, Bill Stevens, Marie O'Donnell, Sister Joan O'Donoghue, Deacon John Sampson and Margaret Titcombe, . We pray for all those who mourn and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

We remember all our sick and elderly parishioners, those in hospital, the housebound and those who care for them; Baby Thomas Haley; James Austin, Elizabeth Joège, Joan Lancaster, Stephen Fleming, Francis Nazareth, Sergio Della Grotta, Marie Bast, John Ingrasci, Baby Patrick Ferris, George Matthew, Odile Froger, Clint Samson, Jenny Sathirasegaram, Ann McNicol, Eileen Rosenberg, Bridget McNally, Brenda Flaherty, Rowan Wolsgrove, Marcus Bird, Charles Thurley, Sandra Burlinson, Sophie Burridge, Sam Hitchin, Rene Boffa, Richard Mache, Nicky Bushell, Shirley Enright, Peggy Howick, Mary Sebastian, Tom Tyler, Baby Finn Jordan, Margaret Inskip, Giancarlo Palermo, John Gleeson, Fr Sprague, Mary Linstead, Evan Day, Eva Hansford, Jeffrey D'Cruz, Gordon Cracknell, George Hayes, Michael Hoskins, Michael Byrne, Martin Dray, Kay Bridgland, Seema Day, Graham Taylor, Freda Sirmon, Samantha Nosalik, Bridie Fillmore, Manual Pillai, Fay Kearney, Richard Trutwein, Winna Duncan, Jennifer McIntyre, Carl Williams, Bridie O'Driscoll, Christine Keane, Josephine Bull, Vic Carrion, Pauline McGuire, Norma Latham, Mary Bastiampillai, Philip Rajanayagam and Gerard Murphy.

PRIEST VALIDATION FORM SIGNING FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2011

Fr Anthony will be available to sign forms next week on Tuesday 21 September from 7pm to 8.30pm at the Presbytery.

Please do not worry if you can't make it, as there will be numerous other sessions each week until the end of October.

Please note, forms for Primary Schools will not be signed by priests until after the October half term.

PRAYER SPONSORS NEEDED

Could you pray for a child who will be taking their First Holy Communion next year? New and existing volunteers please sign up now! There will be an envelope in the RDJ room for replies to personal invitations and a form at the back of the church - please print name and address clearly as I must be able to contact you.

Many thanks. Tessa Macleod, FHC Prayer Sponsors.

LIFE LONDON BRIDGES WALK

On Sunday September 26th Priscilla Fegradoe and Therese Walker will be taking part in a sponsored walk for LIFE, the charity that cares for mothers and babies. They will be available after all Masses this weekend with sponsorship forms, so please do your best to support them. Thank you.

NEW SERVERS

We urgently need more altar servers, age is no barrier **young people and adults equally welcome**. The only requirement is that you have made your first Holy communion. We need at least 20 new servers if at all possible to help cover all the masses as a number have left to go to university this year. Please help if you can in this very important and vital ministry in our parish.

Training for new servers begins on Sunday 26 September at 12.30 in the Sacristy and will last for about 45 minutes. There are about 8 sessions in all. So if you are interested in becoming an altar server please come along on Sunday 26 September at 12.30.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact our Parish Master of Ceremonies Jacques Lambert on 020 8397 2793 (evenings preferred) and he will be only too happy to help you.

Ursuline High School Open Evening

Wednesday 22 September 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Headteacher Julia Waters will speak at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30 and 8.00pm. The Downs. Wimbledon SW20 8HF

OLI PTA Christmas Bazaar.

We are preparing for the annual Christmas Bazaar which will be on November 20th this year. Are you able to help with any of the following, to contribute towards our 'Traditional Christmas market' area?

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Homemade Jams, pickles, chutney or sweets

Knitted toys

Handmade Christmas decorations

Advent calendars

Cards, gift tags or wrapping paper Traditional Christmas items or foods from

countries around the world.

We are also looking to have an area dedicated to parish information, encouraging people to get involved. If you are involved in running a parish group/event and would like to help strengthen further the links between the Parish and the school either by passing on information or helping out on the day, please get in touch.

If you are able to offer any other help please let us know.

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Contact: Sarah Owen

Email sarahowenuk@yahoo.co.uk

From 21 November to 27 November 2010. Flying from Gatwick. £569 per person, includes all excursions and full board in Fatima. For further information call Mrs Mozzi on 020 8472 0843

UCM Meeting

21 September 2010 - 8 pm in the Old Chapel -We will be having a presentation of the Charities we support: HCPT - Life - Shooting Stars - KCAH - Discussion: Symbolism of colours in different cultures.

All ladies in the parish welcome.

The Milaap Centre

This is a multicultural day centre in Kingston. They offer all sorts of activities, outings, meals and companionship for older people. They offer door to door transport, advisory support, classes, talks, hot meals, yoga, knitting, card games, keep fit, parties, gardening and outings.

At Murray House, Acre Road, Kingston KT2 6EE Tel: 020 8547 2887



The Parish Lenten Project (PLP) has been running successfully for The aim of the

project is give the parish a charitable focal point during Lent and give everyone (all groups, clubs and societies) in the parish the opportunity to take part in fund raising for third world projects.

Last week the committee met to discuss how the monies raised in 2010 should be divided amongst the charities. The monies have been split in the following

ZIMBABWE - £4,000

TANZANIA - £4,000 (combination of monies from the Lenten Project and monies from Fr Arbo's Just Giving Lenten Project Bike Ride site)

SRI LANKA - £3,545

SOUTH INDIA - £3,545

PALESTINE - LAJEE CENTRE - £1,772.50

PALESTINE - OLIVEAID - £1,772.50

We will be holding the PLP AGM on Sunday 14th November 2010 after the 18.00 Mass and everyone is welcome to attend.

This year the second half of the AGM meeting will be open to everyone from the parish to

propose charities for us to support in 2011. Ideally, we like to support charities that have a connection or association with people in the OLI parish or school. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting and propose a charity or organisation.

Here is an outline of the criteria that we use to select charities:

- 1. Charity or organisation needs to be based in the third
- 2. Direct help we looking for small charities/organisations rather than large established charities - no intermediate organisations or government agencies
- 3. Christian based
- 4. Confidence in the recipient we need to know that the money will be going directly to the charity
- 5. Value for money small and professionally run charity/ organisation in the third or developing world

Organisations that have small overheads – we want to make sure that our money will make a real difference

We're always looking for new committee members and event organisers so please come along if you want to get involved in the 2011 Lenten project. If you would like further information about the meeting then please call Justine Manche on 07710 349871.

We look forward to seeing you on the 14th November.

WEBSITE UPDATES THIS WEEK

- New Safeguarding page uploaded (Parish Groups)
- Pictures of last years Parish Meal (Gallery)
- New Parish Council Page with AGM Reports (Parish Groups)

HARVEST FESIVAL

Next weekend we will be having our Harvest Festival. All donations will be going to the Manna Day Centre. Please bring tinned food, dry pasta, pasta sauces, breakfast cereals, tea, coffee, toiletries, blankets and sleeping bags.

Many thanks

Home Mission Sunday (England and Wales) 19th September 2010

Home Mission Sunday is a day of prayer for the spread of the Gospel in England and Wales. This year it coincides with the Pope's visit. It is hoped that the Papal Visit will mark the start of something new in the mission of the Church in the UK. We are invited to reflect on how we can respond to the opportunities that the Papal Visit presents. We are encouraged to share this historic experience with friends and neighbours and anyone interested in learning more about being a Catholic.

Education Officer

The Archdiocese of Southwark Commission for Schools and Colleges is seeking to recruit an Education Officer from 1st January 2011. Further information and application packs are available from Donna Gray Archdiocese of Southwark Commission for Schools & Colleges, St Edward's House, St Paul's Wood Hill, Orpington, BR5 2SR on donna.gray@rcsouthwark.org.uk or by telephoning 01689 829331

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