

## Welcome to ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH PARISH and Parish Community

If you are new to the Parish you are invited to complete a 'New Parish Records Form', which you will find in the back of the church. (Website: [www.boxmoorcatholic.org](http://www.boxmoorcatholic.org))

**PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS OR ENQUIRIES:** WE REGRET THAT NO NEW BOOKINGS CAN BE MADE. THIS IS A TEMPORARY SITUATION UNTIL A MANAGER HAS BEEN APPOINTED.

<p><b>The Departed:</b> We ask eternal life in Christ for those who have died recently and whose anniversaries occur around this time especially Kathleen O'Connor, Tess Cameron, George O'Gara, Annie Chappel, Mary Blake and Anthony Moriarty.</p>	<p><b>We pray for the sick especially</b> Isabelle Gavin, Ewan Morgan, Mary Wastell, Geoffrey Gower, Mary O' Connor, Frank Keane, David Simmons, Ewa Cusworth, Tommy Keegan, Rosemary Fawcett and Monica Wilkinson.</p> <p>If you wish to include a name on the sick list, please let Fr John know. Names will remain for 4 weeks unless otherwise requested.</p>
<p>Collection: Thank you.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Irish Evening Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Mar 7.30pm</b> Buffet Supper and Dance Adeyfield Parish Hall Tickets £10. Proceeds to CWL charities. Contact Pam Moore for tickets.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">During Lent ROSARY after Mass on Weds</p>	
<p><b>Next Sunday is Palm Sunday</b> Palms distributed and blessed at all Masses.</p>	<p><b>JUSTICE AND PEACE/INTERFAITH</b> - looking at possibility of setting up sub-group committed to working for Justice and Peace for all the people of Palestine. Ways we might move forward:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Supporting initiatives already underway in Hemel helping a) Bethlehem University and b) a school in Bethlehem</li> <li>2. Linking with a Palestinian community</li> <li>3. Supporting Interfaith Jewish / Muslim / Christian projects.</li> <li>4. Raising awareness of the issues.</li> <li>5. Possibly visiting Palestine / Israel.</li> <li>6. Other initiatives</li> </ol> <p>If you are interested in such a group and becoming more involved contact Dick/Ann (267869) so we can get together to review possibilities.</p>
<p><b>Lenten Reconciliation Service with Confession</b> Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm at St Mark's Church. All are welcome.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Confirmation 2008</u></b></p> <p>Bishop George Stack will be coming to celebrate Confirmation on Thursday June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm. The venue will be St. Cuthbert Mayne School Hall. The Bishop has an exceedingly busy diary and would like to confirm as many as possible on the same evening. Therefore it will not be possible to hold the ceremony in church. Confirmation sessions begin again on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm in St. Cuthbert Mayne. If you have decided that you want to go forward to be confirmed you must come along to this and the other sessions. (17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> April).</p>	<p><b>You Fish Shoes'</b> (pronounced Youth Issues) is our pizza &amp; discussion night <b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March</b> from 7pm - 9.30pm at St. Mary &amp; St. Joseph Parish Centre.</p> <p><b>Palm Saturday Mass led by Young People</b> will be held on <b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March</b> St. Mark's Church at rear of John F. Kennedy school. All young people invited to get involved either through music, reading, welcoming, altar service and eucharistic ministry. We will do the drama of the Passion so if talented in this area, call Venus to see which part you can play - 078 905 905 85 or email <a href="mailto:venusgg@rcdow.org.uk">venusgg@rcdow.org.uk</a>. Mass starts at 5.30pm</p> <p><b>Pick &amp; Mix Movie Night Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March</b> Back by popular demand- you get to vote for your favourite movie that night, bring loads of friends and enjoy the big, big screen. St. Mary &amp; St. Joseph parish centre - 7pm. Lots to eat. £2 at the door.</p>
<p>This year's <b>Passover Meal</b> will take place in the Parish Centre on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm. To celebrate Passover is to do what Jesus did with his disciples at the Last Supper. It is a chance for us to understand more deeply our Jewish roots and our Christian Eucharist. The Passover Meal is a family occasion and children form an integral part of the proceedings, so all are very welcome. You need to bring: a baked potato for each person, cooked and wrapped in foil (to keep warm), sufficient wine for 4 toasts, soft drinks/water, cutlery, plates and glasses for each person. Roast lamb is provided. Please put your names down on the list at the back of church if you are going to come.</p>	
<p><b>SUNG EVENING PRAYER 7.30 – 8.15pm</b> <i>by candlelight</i> in Church on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March. All welcome.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Stations of the Cross in Lent</b> Thursday evenings at 7.30 pm.</p>
<p><b>Lenten Course 'New Growth in the Spirit'</b> March 12<sup>th</sup> More gifts of the Spirit 7.45-10pm St Joseph's Hall, Boxmoor.</p>	<p><b>World Youth Day Fundraiser - Australian Wine Tasting</b> 29<sup>th</sup> Mar 7.30pm St Mary &amp; St Joseph Parish Centre - Have fun and help support our young pilgrims. Tickets on sale after Masses £7.50 per person or 'phone Liz Ainslie.</p>
	<p><b>PLANNING A PARISH EVENT – spiritual, social, fundraising?</b> HAVE A LOOK IN THE PARISH DIARY AND SEE IF THERE IS ANYTHING ELSE PLANNED FOR THAT DATE. THERE IS NOW A <b>BRIGHT RED, A4 DIARY</b> ON TABLE AT BACK OF CHURCH IN WHICH <b>ALL</b> PLANNED DATES NEED TO BE ENTERED. Enter the title of the event, time and venue. Also please put a contact name and number. Hopefully, <b>if we all use it</b>, this diary will co-ordinate parish dates centrally and prevent clashes.</p>
	<p><b>CWL Soup Special</b> Our charity for February's soup special lunch was 'Hope for Children' and we are delighted to be able to send them a cheque for £90.00. Thank you to all who support the lunch and in turn our sponsored charity of the month.</p>