

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)

PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS OR ENQUIRIES: If you are interested in using the Centre for an event, party or meeting, please telephone 07533 965372 or email at hallbookings@boxmoorcatholic.org

THE DEPARTED: We ask eternal life in Christ for those who have died recently and whose anniversaries occur around this time especially: **Ron SMITH, Vera HYNE, Florence HARDY, Gerard DORAN, Victor PHILLIPS, Sydney ARNOLD, Sepehr BOROUMAND.**

We pray for **THE SICK** especially: **Geoffrey GOWER, Fr. John TURNER, Sid KEMBER, John SIMON, Margaret McLOUGHLIN, Mary WASTELL, Fr. Simon.** *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.*

COLLECTION: Sun 29th MARCH
Thank you for your continued generosity

WHAT'S ON AT HIYA

Sunday 5th April – YOUTH MASS @ SS Mary & Joseph, 6pm; HIYA youth group meet at parish centre following Mass at 7pm

Monday 6th April – BORN FOR THIS @ SS Mary & Joseph church, 7.30pm. *This is a dramatic and moving, modern interpretation of the Stations of the Cross staged by young people of Hemel and SPEC team. All are welcome!*

HIYA will be on Easter Holiday break from 7th April to 19th April. Our next youth group sessions takes place on Thurs 23rd April and Sun 30th April.



and EASTER SERVICES IN OUR CHURCH

Monday	6th April
"Born for this"	7.30pm
followed by confessions	
Wednesday	8th April
Passover Meal	7pm
Holy Thursday	9th April
Mass of the Lord's Supper and Watching until 10pm	8pm
Good Friday	10th April
Family Stations of the Cross	10am
Solemn Passion	3pm
Holy Saturday	11th April
Confessions	11am – 1pm
Easter Vigil Mass	8pm
Easter Sunday	12th April
Masses	9am, 11.30am, 6pm
Easter Monday	13th April
Mass	10 am

"BORN FOR THIS" will help us to prepare for the events of Holy Week and Easter. *It will be followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation for our three parishes.*

PASSOVER MEAL in the Parish Centre on WED 8TH APRIL 7.00PM

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.** [You can bring salad and toppings for the potatoes as well – to share with those around you, if you wish.]

Please sign up on the sheets at the back of the church.

ŚWIECONE: *W Wielką Sobotę 11-go kwietnia, będzie święcenie koszyczków Wielkanocnych: w kościele St Mary & St Joseph (Boxmoor) o godz. 13:00, w kościele Our Lady Queen of all Creation, Rant Meadow o godz. 11:15.*

On Holy Saturday at 1:00p.m. Fr John will bless food for the Easter table. It is a Polish/European tradition to bring baskets containing decorated, hard-boiled eggs, bread, salt, cake and continental sausage etc. to church for blessing. Any parishioners who would like food items blessed are invited to join the polish parishioners for the brief service.

THE EASTER MARCH OF WITNESS Praising Praying Preaching on Good Friday 10th April 2009

Meet at Civic Centre for 10.45am (procession begins at 11am) for Bandstand service in town centre. Bring your own crosses and banners.
All are very welcome!

ACROSS HEMEL 2009 – MAY 1st to 3rd

A big thank you to all those who signed up to assist with the community activities on Sat 2nd May. We will contact you all nearer the time. We still require assistance with welcoming, serving and donations of cakes and biscuits. Please sign the list at the back if you are able to assist.
Contact Margaret Elwick for further information.

You are invited to St Mary's Dominican Convent on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday at 9am to celebrate the early Christian service of Tenebrae.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES: The boxes of envelopes for 2009/10 are now at the back of the church and ready for you to collect. If you do not see a box there for you, it is because we do not have your name or address. **Please take a box and enter your name and address and box number on the sheet.**

Many of you Gift Aid your donations already, which is a valuable source of income to the Parish. If you pay tax on your income, please take a Gift Aid Declaration form, complete it and return it to Fr John or myself. It is a simple way of increasing your donation without it costing you anything. If you already Gift Aid your donations, but are no longer paying tax, please notify Fr John or myself.
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JUSTICE AND PEACE / INTERFAITH DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Our MP, Mike Penning, has agreed to meet our group to share views on the Israel / Palestine situation. The meeting will take place on **Tue 26th May at 8pm in St Mary and St Joseph Parish Centre.** Further details to follow.