

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: **Michael McMAHON, Inma CARR, Danny McENTEE, Rita CROWLEY TURNER, Nigel BERRY.**

We pray for **THE SICK** especially: **Geoffrey GOWER, Sid KEMBER, John SIMON, Mary WASTELL, Fr. Simon, Bernie O'SHEA, Thomas MALONEY, Fr. John TURNER, Mrs CLARK, Mr POULPON.** *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

Thank you for your continued generosity!

WHAT'S ON AT HIYA

Sun 3rd May both HIYA groups meet up at Gadebridge for **Across Hemel celebration with London Gospel Community Choir from 7pm – 9.30pm.** Contact Venus if you need a ride 078905 905 85.
Thurs 7th May – Quiz night at Our Lady Queen of All Creation, Parish Hall 7pm – 8.30pm. Also prize giving presentations of Photo treasure hunt in March.

TODAY IS ANNUAL WEEF COLLECTION

More men are answering the Lord's call to become a priest and now your help is needed. The annual collection for the *Westminster Ecclesiastical Education Funds (WEEF)* takes place today and it is vital that we support the appeal as over 40 men are now training for the priesthood at our seminary. This is wonderful news but **it costs £50 a day to train a priest and this work depends on donations.**

So please give as much as you can.

Loreto College, St Albans

SUMMER FAYRE

SUN 10TH MAY FROM 11.30AM TILL 4PM
400th Anniversary of the founding of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary – **live music, stalls, fun and games, food and beer and pimms tent.** All profits to charities working with deprived children. *£2 entry, £5 per family (including free raffle ticket).*

MONDAY 4TH MAY BANK HOLIDAY

Mass in our church is at 10am

VACANCY: CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOP MANAGER

Way Inn Book Shop Berkhamsted

We are looking for an experienced person to lead our staff team and volunteers in our Christian bookshop which is part of the Way Inn Christian Centre in Berkhamsted. Stock keeping, a knowledge of Christian literature, and good interpersonal skills are essential elements needed for the post.

For further details, and to request an application form, please speak to the present manager, **Kate Hardy**, or our **Managing Director, Mike Tatum** on 01442 870768. email: mike.tatum@wayinn.com
Closing date for applications 1st June 2009

REQUIEM MASS

at St Mary and St Joseph (Boxmoor)
Monday 11th May at 1.45pm
for **Nigel BERRY**

THE CATENIAN ASSOCIATION.

will make an appeal for new members at all Masses on Sun 10th May.

PARISH LUCKY DRAW

The April draw took place last week and the winners were:

1st Prize £40 to No. 31 Mrs Barbara Redman.

2nd Prize £20 to No. 20 Mrs Maureen Matthews.

Many thanks to all those who have contributed towards this fund raising effort. *We are still looking for many more members to make it more profitable for the Parish. It is not too late to join, £20 will give you membership from June.* Just let me have your cheques or place them in the box at the end of Church.

Thank you for your support. A list of members' names and numbers will be posted on the notice board in the Church porch. Des Lynn

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.** *Members of all churches/ other faiths will be welcome. Further details to follow.*

APF 'RED BOX' SCHEME

Many thanks to everyone who collects coins for the missions. **We collected just over £900 in March from our 89 red box holders.** *The next collection is in September – if anyone would like information about the scheme or to have a box, please call Bill Lear on 07771 703663.*

PEDAL WITH CAFOD AGAINST POVERTY

Join CAFOD for a sponsored bike ride to help raise funds for CAFOD's poverty-fighting work overseas. **THE FAMILY FRIENDLY SPONSORED BIKE RIDE WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUN 7TH JUNE** in the beautiful Lee Valley Country Park, Hertfordshire. (10 or 19-mile routes available) *For further details and a registration form, please contact CAFOD on 0208 449 6970 or email westminster@cafod.org.uk. You can also download a registration form from www.cafod.org.uk/pedalagainstopoverty.*
Closing date for applications 22nd May.

CATHOLIC SINGLES

is an organisation which helps single practising Catholics meet up, either one to one or through social events. *For more information please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit www.catholicsingles.org.uk or email info@catholicsingles.org.uk*