

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 Eugeen & Tim Hynes, Thomas Andrew Gavin, John Doyle, James & Catherine Cronin, Anna Stokes, Queenie Sargeant, Baby Owen, Robert Canning, Carmen Lima, Ian Mitchell & Tony Lansdowne.

We pray for THE SICK especially: *John Percival, Geoffrey Gower, Sid Kember, Rio Tarbox,, Anne Phillips, Sheila McMahon, Terry O' Brien, Sheila Mulhearn, Nora McArdle, Kevin Gavin, Maureen & Barry Albert, Valerie Powell and Eunice Holden.*
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

Our New Website

For operational reasons the launch of our new website has been **delayed**. However, items on our present website have been **updated** and new items are being stored ready to upload on the new site. **Any queries to Ann**

Saturday 5th December - (1st Saturday of the month) **10.30am Mass at St. Mary & St. Joseph** followed by **Adoration** until 11.30am

HIYA Notices

Sun 29th Nov - Table tennis tournament at SS Mary & Joseph parish centre for 7p m.
Thur 3rd Dec - **Build a shelter** - prep for DENS Sleep-Out at Our Lady Parish Hall 7.00 - 8.30 p m for Yr7 & Yr 8 group
DENS Sleep-Out, Friday 4th December at St. Albans Abbey. HIYA will be roughing it for one night to raise money for Dacorum Emergency Night Shelter. Download a registration pack and parental consent form at www.hiya.org.uk. Deadline for registration is Tue 1st Dec.

Sung Evening Prayer at St. Mary and St. Joseph

All welcome to Evening Prayer by candlelight on Fridays 11th and 18th Dec - 7.30 p m ó 8.15 p m.

African Evening - Saturday 19th December 6.30 p m, Parish Centre, Boxmoor

£5.00 Adult, Senior Citizens £2.50 & Family Ticket £10.00 (can pay at the door).
To book your tickets, please contact Ian Smallwood on 01442 408302 or e mail valsoares@aol.com Soft drinks 50p. Bring your own alcohol and glasses.
Entertainment & African food, raffle and bingo
Proceeds to MOTEC and Presbytery.

Interfaith Week

Just over 60 people attended the meeting on 17th November. About half were from our parishes and half from other faith communities. **It was an inspiring evening.** **Dr Michael Wetzler** shared his own faith journey with us from the perspective of a liberal Jew who had learnt, and was continuing to learn from other faiths.
The next event will be a Holocaust Memorial Service at St Mary's Apsley on 31st January.
More details to follow.

Requiem mass for John Doyle, former Mayor of Hemel Hempstead.

Monday, 30th November, 11.00 a m at St Mary & St Joseph Church. We pray for the repose of his soul.

Catholic Women's League Members

The **next meeting** is on **Thurs 3rd Dec, 7.45 p m**. Please bring a blank Christmas card for the residents of Ashley Close.

Advent Reflections - All very welcome

To prepare for Christmas, there will be three sessions in St Mark's Church when we can reflect and pray about the readings and traditions of Advent and the coming of Jesus.

They will take place on Thursdays 7.30 p m-8.15 p m. and the topics will be:

Thursday 3rd December	Isaiah and the Prophets
Thursday 10th December	John the Baptist
Thursday 17th December	Mary, Mother of God

Applications for places at St. Rose's Catholic Infants School

If you have a child due to start Nursery or School in either Sept 2010 or Jan 2011 the **closing dates for applications** are:

Nursery: Fri 11th December and School, Fri 29th January.

Parents wishing to apply for a place at St. Rose's must complete both the **St. Rose's School Supplementary Information Form** and the **Local Education Authority form**. Parents who would like an application form, or to arrange to visit the school, **please contact St Rose's office on 01442 398855.**

REPENTANCE & REDEMPTION - Two Advent Reflections by Fr. John Farrell OP

An ideal opportunity for Ministers of the Eucharist, Readers and Catechists from all parishes to spend some time in reflection and preparation for Christmas. There will be time for discussion of themes.

Sunday 13th December, 4.00 p m - 6.00 p m in the Parish Centre, SS Mary & Joseph. Queries: ring Jane

The Wave - Come together to Stop Climate Chaos Saturday 5th December at 11am

Ecumenical service led by Archbishop Vincent Nichols and Archbishop Rowan Williams at Central Hall Westminster. Service leads straight into a fun and peaceful march around The Thames with Stop Climate Chaos. 12 p m: Join the march directly at Grosvenor Square W1A. CAFOD meeting point in Brook Street.

For further information log onto the CAFOD web page at <http://www.cafod.org.uk/take-action/climate/the-wave> or call the Westminster office on **0208-449-6970.**