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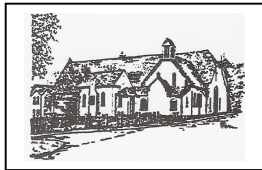
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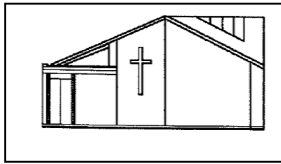
ST. MARK'S

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5TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7TH FEBRUARY 2010

MASS TIMES

St Mary & St Joseph

Boxmoor

Sun 9am
11.30am
6pm
Mon 9.30am
Wed 9.30am
Thurs 12.30pm
Fri 9.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(confession):

Sat 11am – 11.30am

St Mark's

Hollybush Lane

Sat 5.30pm (Vigil)
Sun 10.30am
Tue 7pm
Wed 1.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(confession) –

before evening Mass

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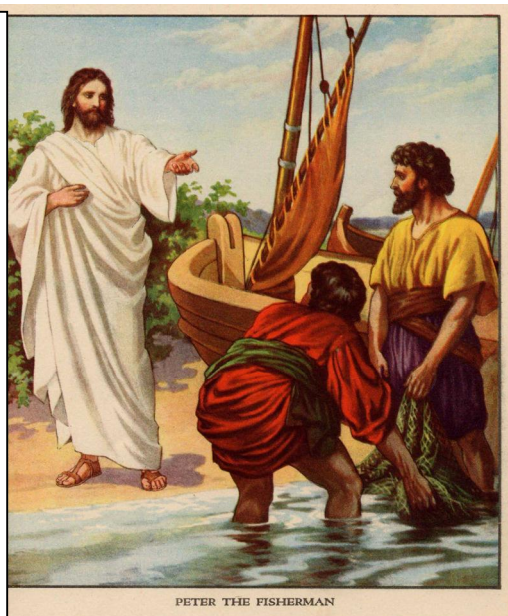
Highfield & Grovehill

Sat 5pm (Vigil)
Sun 9.30am
Mon 7.30pm
Tue 9.30am
Fri 9.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(Confession) –

after morning Mass



Spend, Save or Share?

What is our reaction to good fortune? If we came into a small amount of money, for example by winning the work's raffle, what would we do?

Are we spenders, savers, or sharers? And would our reaction be different if we were to come into a large amount of money, for example by winning the lottery; what would we do?

Would we still spend it or save it or share it?

Simon Peter is a sharer. His good fortune is a net full of fish which, if he kept for himself, would have probably provided for his needs for several weeks. But he does not keep it to himself; he calls over his friends to share in his good fortune. When his companions arrive it is only then that he realises the full extent of his good fortune; it's not just a net full of fish - it's two boat loads!

His reaction is to acknowledge that he is not worthy of such a great gift, "leave me Lord for I am a sinner" and then, he gives it all up, "they left everything and followed Him".

We have the same choices as Simon Peter. We encounter Jesus, and His gift of eternal life, at Mass each week. He gives Himself to us as spiritual food and drink, in Word and Sacrament, to nourish and grow our belief and we can spend, save or share that gift. Our belief in Christ can become "spent", used up, in which case we may well lose our faith. (The quickest way to do this is to stop praying and stop coming regularly to Mass).

Or our belief in Christ can be "saved up" for just ourselves, but by keeping it to ourselves our faith is unlikely to grow and will probably become stale. Or we can share our belief in Christ with those we meet, in which case our faith will grow and will flourish and will bear fruit. Deacon Simon

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

DEADLINE IS
WEDNESDAY

