



## Happy Mother's Day to all mothers!

- ◆ **Happy St. Patrick's Day!** To all our parishioners with Irish connections. This Wednesday 17th March is St. Patrick's Day.
- ◆ **Holy Rood Penitential Service:** Friday 26th March at 10.30am.
- ◆ **Faith Matters in Lent 2010: The Priest as Witness** A talk by Archbishop Vincent Nichols on 16th March 2010 at Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, London, from 7pm - 8.30pm. These are public lectures to which all are welcome. Registration is required to guarantee a place. Email [faithmatters@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:faithmatters@rcdow.org.uk) or telephone 020 7931 6078 .
- ◆ **Lenten Lunches:** all Fridays of Lent after 12 noon Mass. Price £2 for soup & roll, £4 soup, roll, salad and tea. Proceeds aid the needy of the world
- ◆ **Lenten Alms:** ' Almsgiving blots out many sins'. This year, Archbishop Vincent, commends the St John Southworth Fund and the Thai Children's Trust. The 'Lenten Alms' box is at the back of the church.
- ◆ **"The Glory of Easter"** concert at the Watford Colosseum 27th March. If you enjoy listening to high quality music & singing (as performed by the Watford Phil), be sure not to miss the forthcoming concert by Adoramus at the Colosseum. This will be the first time this renowned choir & orchestra have appeared in Watford. The concert is being promoted by all the churches across Watford (including Holy Rood). Tickets available from the office.
- ◆ **Ascent Group:** Please join us for our outing to the Chrism Mass at Westminster Cathedral on Tuesday, 30th March - arriving at the Cathedral for 11am. A sign-up list is at the back of the church for you to register your interest. For more information phone Winnie on 334998.
- ◆ **Allen Hall Seminary:** A "come and see weekend" from Friday 7th to Sunday 9th May. For men aged 18+ who are considering a possible calling to the priesthood. Contact Fr Richard Nesbitt, at [richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk).
- ◆ **Organist Required:** Sarah who has served us so well at the 9.30am Mass for 10 years will be resigning from the post at Easter. We are looking for an organist to play at the 9.30am Mass. If you are able to help please speak to Fr. Paul.
- ◆ **For all Catechists:** As you may have heard, some wordings within the Mass are changing. How and why this language is changing and how to use this for teaching your children. All invited. Monday 22nd March 7.30pm Church of the Good Shepherd, Black Lion Hill, Shenley WD7 9DH. Please contact Warren Brown on 020 7798 9150 or email: [catamin@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:catamin@rcdow.org.uk). If you wish to attend.



**Stations of the Cross:** Fridays of Lent at 11.15am and 7.30pm.

- ◆ **Fr. Paul's Silver Jubilee Mass at 3pm on Saturday 5th June.**
- ◆ **Living as One:** What do we mean when we say that the Church that Jesus founded is 'catholic?' Generally speaking people associate the word with one particular tradition but properly understood it means more than this. God's love is not partial, Christ's message is for all. The word 'catholic' implies a universal mission and an understanding of the Church and the world that is greater than ourselves and our parishes (Matthew 28: 18-20). [www.rcdow.org.uk/lao](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/lao)
- ◆ **Brightlights 2010:** Calling all young adults of 16-30 years who are interested in being involved in the planning and preparation of the annual diocesan young adults' festival, Brightlights, being held at London Colney on the 16-19th July. If you want to know what goes on behind the scenes, would like to help us and hopefully have some fun come along at 1pm, next Saturday, 13th March to our first session in Wapping in the East End of London. For more info or to RSVP email [info@brightlights.co.uk](mailto:info@brightlights.co.uk) or ring 07891 375179.
- ◆ **12 Apostles:** On Maundy Thursday, at the Mass of the Lord's Supper, we wash the feet of parishioners in imitation of the Lord on the night before his death. Would you like to be one of the twelve? If so speak to Fr. Paul.
- ◆ **Large Bedsitter:** Young Catholic man needs a studio flat or large bedsitter. He has a job at a care home in Bricket Wood but needs somewhere to live locally. Please either ring him, Kirk, on 07846 238150 or speak to Deacon Neville if you can.
- ◆ **Let the Healing Begin:** A one day course hosted by Soul Survivor, Watford on Saturday 20th March from 9.30am - 4.30pm. Speaker: Jeannie Morgan.
- ◆ **Confirmation:** Parents and Sponsors Session on 16th March is cancelled.
- ◆ **200 Club - February Draw:** £ 125.00 Mrs Monica Thurlow (138), £ 50.00 Mr & Mrs Ellwood (59), £ 40 S Prior (197), £ 28 Mrs C Kleiser (23).
- ◆ **St Michael's Garston - New Head:** On Friday 6th March 2010 the Governors appointed Mr Edward Conway to the position of Headteacher of St Michael's High School.. Mr Conway is currently Headteacher of John Paul II School in Wimbledon. He will take up his Headship of St Michael's in September 2010.
- ◆ **Musicians Group:** The next music at 6.30pm Mass will be on Sunday 21st March with rehearsal starting at 5.30pm. New singers?players would be welcomed.. Call Sue & Ceri Llewellyn on 229763 for information.
- ◆ **Journeying with the Gospels:** continues on Monday at Deacon Neville's house at 8pm. All welcome. Please phone 01923 441105.

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