

- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **The Great Festivals of Faith:** A series of talks by Fr Peter Burrows on 20th April **The Feast of Tabernacles or Tents** & 27th April **The Feast of Weeks or Pentecost** at 8pm at the Parish Hall, SS Alban and Stephen, 14 Beaconsfield Road, St Albans, Herts. Drinks and light refreshments served from 7.30pm. Everyone is invited.
- ◆ **SVP - Tea and Cakes!** Come and join us in the Parish Centre for a cup of tea and a cake sale after 12 noon Mass this Friday 23rd April. Funds will go to support the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society here at Holy Rood and towards the wonderful work undertaken by young people in the youth SVP.
- ◆ **SVP Mass in Liverpool:** The St Vincent de Paul Society will be commemorating the 350th anniversary of the death of St Vincent de Paul and St Louise de Marillac at a Mass at Liverpool Cathedral. Would anyone like to join us this Saturday 24th April on a day trip? Train leaves at around 8am and returns around 9pm. Phone Siobhan on 07929 490090 for information and price.
- ◆ **Enquiries about Marriage:** If you are considering getting married please introduce yourself to one of the priests or deacons. Please allow six months or more notice.
- ◆ **Crisis Square Mile Relay** - Wednesday 9th June 2010 at 7pm. A brand new timed relay race for teams of four. Tel: 020 7426 3852.
- ◆ **Liturgical & Sacred Art Exhibition:** At Westminster Cathedral Hall 42 Francis Street London on the 5-6 May 2010.
- ◆ **First Holy Communion** 63 children will receive Holy Communion for the first time over the next two weekends. There will be 1 child at each Saturday evening Mass. 5 children at next Sunday's 9.30am Mass and 3 the following week. The next two 11am Masses will have 19 and 21 children respectively. 13 children will make their First Communion at a special Mass on Sunday 2nd May at 4pm to which all parishioners are welcome.
- ◆ **Peace Hospice:** Peace in the Garden at Hunton Park from 1 - 5pm on Sunday 16th May. For more information contact *Maggie Grand* on 01923 335348 . An afternoon of entertainment, stalls and demonstrations. Cost: £5 adults
- ◆ **Crisis Square Mile Run** - Thursday 10th June at 7pm. A 6km fun run around the Thames and Southbank.. Choose your run and join over 3000 runners in a race to end homelessness. Phone 020 7426 3852 to register.
- ◆ **West Hertfordshire Hospitals: Service of Remembrance** on Sunday 9th May 3.0pm at St Andrew's Church, Park Road, Watford. For all parents and their families and friends whose babies have died during pregnancy or near to birth. The service will be followed by refreshments. For further details contact: Doug Loveridge, Spiritual & Pastoral Care Manager, Watford General Hospital: 01923 217994.
- ◆ **Celebration 2010:** Watford Celebration 2010 takes place on Monday 3rd May (Bank Holiday) at Watford Colosseum from 11.00am. Entrance is free! The event brings together cultures, faiths and talents in a day of celebration and friendship. We hope to provide a rich diversity of foods to share. Could you help by preparing some food from your own culture: Italian, Polish, Filipino, Indian or other...? Cost of ingredients will be paid. Contact Lynn Bassett 07803 986716 asap if you can help.
- ◆ **'All were one in Heart and Mind'** A talk for young adults aged 18-38, looking at aspects of what it means to live in community, by Sr Josephine Canny on Friday 30th April at 7.30-9.00pm in the Hinsley Room at Westminster Cathedral. For further details www.free2become.org or call 01277 373848.

◆ **Mayoral & Parliamentary Election Meetings in Watford**
Two Meetings organised by **Christians Across Watford**

For Mayor
Tuesday 20th April 8pm - 9.45pm
In St. Thomas' URC Langley Road
The following candidates have agreed to take part
Dorothy Thornhill: Nigel Bell: Stephen Johnson

For Parliament
Monday 26th April 8pm - 9.45pm
In St. Thomas URC Langley Road
The following candidates have agreed to take part
Claire Ward: Ian Brandon: Sal Brinton: Richard Harrington
(The UKIP candidate was invited but was unable to make the date)

To submit questions for the candidates please do so via the **ChristiansAcross Watford** website or in writing on the night.

◆ **Fr John Hemer Talks on the Psalms:** Following last year's highly successful series of talks on St Paul we have been able to book Fr John Hemer again. He is returning to Holy Rood to give a series of talks on the Psalms. Each talk begins at 7.30pm and lasts until about 9.00pm on Tuesday April 27th, May 4th, May 18th and May 25th.

Westminster Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2010: 25th - 31st July. For more information, travel arrangements etc. please telephone: 0800917 3572.

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