

- ◆ **Annual Mass for Sick & Housebound:** today at 3.30pm.
- ◆ **Andrew Gallagher** will be ordained deacon at Westminster Cathedral next Saturday 26th June at 10.30am. Andrew would be delighted if members of Holy Rood parish were able to be present at his Ordination. A coach will leave Holy Rood at 9am and return leaving Westminster at 12.30pm. To book a place on the coach please sign up at the back of the church and send in you £10 now please. There are 7 seats left.
- ◆ **SVP:** First Friday Lunch Club starts 2nd July. Meet after Mass in the Parish Centre for sandwiches/cakes. Small charge. Everyone welcome.
- ◆ **Pedal for Peace:** Join the fun on our 10, 20 or 30 mile cycle event starting and ending in Cassiobury Park, Watford on Sunday 11th July. Register online at [www.peacehospice.org.uk](http://www.peacehospice.org.uk) or call 01923 330340.
- ◆ **Ordination to the Priesthood** Rev. Stuart Seaton will be ordained to the priesthood by Archbishop Vincent Nichols here in Holy Rood on Saturday July 31st at 3pm. Stuart will celebrate his first Mass on Sunday 1st August at 4.00pm. You are invited to both celebrations.
- ◆ **Faith in Health:** Beginnings and endings - caring for the whole person. A conference for health and social care professionals to be held from 3.30pm on 24th to launch on 26th June 2010 at Liverpool Hope University, Liverpool. Further information about Liverpool Hope University can be found on their website [www.hope.ac.uk](http://www.hope.ac.uk).
- ◆ **Pope Benedict** will visit Britain from 16th - 19th September 2010. he is coming at the invitation of the Queen and the Government. The visit will include both State engagements and pastoral events.
- ◆ **Westfield's Children's Centre:** For mother/fathers and their children under five. Contact Vania Eyre, Family Learning Support on 07766 472957.
- ◆ **World Youth Day** is held every two years. The next one will be held in Madrid 11th-22nd August 2011. It is open to anyone between the ages of 18 - 35. For more details speak to Fr. Paul.
- ◆ **First Holy Communion** Thanksgiving Mass next Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 4pm.
- ◆ **Malayalam Mass** this coming Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 4pm.
- ◆ **Bandstand Service** as one comes out of the pedestrian underpass in the upper part of the town, near the Town Hall and opposite the library there is a bandstand. On a Sunday morning each year Christians of Watford assemble there for a joint service. This year we meet on Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup> at 11am.
- ◆ **Young Adults in the West Retreat Day:** Join Bishop Alan Hope and young adults from the diocese on a Retreat Day to St Jude's Shrine, Faversham on 24th July. For more information and to book your place contact David Burke on 020 7798 9357.
- ◆ **Handbags:** In recent weeks two ladies handbags were taken from the church when the owners left them in the seats. **Ladies; please look after your handbags at all times.**
- ◆ **Annual Mission Appeal:** last Sunday raised £981.33, Thank you.
- ◆ **Adoramus:** Battle of Britain 70th Anniversary Concert Saturday 3rd July at 7.30pm Alban Arena, St Albans. Call 01727 844488 for more information
- ◆ **Allen Hall Seminary** have asked us to give a summer placement to one of their students so that he may have experience of parish life as part of his training for the priesthood. His name is Kim Addison and will be with us for four weeks. Please make him welcome - as you always do.
- ◆ **Enquiry Meeting** On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July there will be a meeting in the Parish Centre at 8pm for those who may be interested in joining the Catholic Church. Anyone is welcome to attend. This is an enquiry session only, one can attend without making any commitment.
- ◆ **Bright lights 16<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> July:** Brightlights is the annual festival for young adults in the Catholic Diocese of Westminster, bringing together hundreds of people, aged 16-30, for top quality music, inspirational speakers, practical workshops and opportunities for prayer and liturgy. A weekend not to be missed!  
For more information, or to get involved with the festival email us: [info@brightlights.org.uk](mailto:info@brightlights.org.uk) or call 01727 829209.  
Look us up on facebook : **brightlights festival**  
*Very good speakers Abbot Christopher (he was in BBC series 'The Monastery') Fr. Stephen Wang and Sr. Judith If interested in travelling see Fr. Paul. It is being held only 20 minutes drive from Watford in All Saints Pastoral Centre, London Colney.*
- ◆ **St Anthony's Catholic Primary School:** Are looking for an enthusiastic full-time teacher to join our successful and friendly school from September 2010, initially teaching a lower KS2 class. We would like to appoint a practising Catholic, but invite applications from those who would be committed to supporting our aims and ethos. Enquiries from experienced teachers and NQTs are welcome. Please telephone to make an appointment to come and visit us, we would love to meet you and show you our school. Further information and our application form are available from the Headteacher, Mrs Pauline Wilson on 01923 226987. Closing date for applications is **Monday 21st June 2010.**
- ◆ **St Columba's College—Open Evening:** for the PREP SCHOOL ages 4yrs - 11yrs on Wednesday 23rd June from 6.30 - 8.20pm. All welcome.

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