


- † **March Baptisms:** Leyla Plociennik, Isla Bainbridge, Anna Salaga, Jack Malyon, Sam Chetty, Leanna Rybolowicz, Aedan Cooper, Matthew Jones, Finnen Keogh and Daisy Cormack.
- † **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 13th **The Passover**, 20th **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.
- † **Catholic Woman of the Year:** Nominations are being sought for the 2010 Catholic Women of the year. We are particularly looking to honour the ‘unsung heroines’, who have taken on responsibilities or carried out services to others in steadfast and often unobtrusive ways. The idea is to recognise and honour women who in their homes and families, in public office or in their business or professional lives have sought to live and uphold the Church’s teachings with love and dedication. Please let us and others know of their witness to the Catholic faith. Every nomination will be carefully read and the final three Catholic Women of the Year selected by secret ballot. Nominations to Mrs Janette Woodford, 22 Milton Road, Ware, Herts. SG12 0PZ or email: mijamajoje@ntlworld.com. By April 30th 2010.
- † **Kneeler Group:** The date of our next meeting has been changed to **15th April**,
- † **CWL:** All ladies are warmly invited to our meeting this Tuesday **6th April** at 8pm in the Parish Centre. There will be a talk on ‘Colour Psychology’ - how we are influenced by the effects of colour on all aspects of our lives.
- † **A.A. Update:** The Friday night meeting is now held in the Parish Centre at 8.00pm. All Welcome.
- † **Music Group:** Musicians and singers are reminded that the next music at 6.30pm Mass will be on Sunday 11th April 2010 with rehearsal starting at 5.30pm. New singers/players would be welcomed. Call Sue & Ceri Llewellyn on 01923 229763 for information.
- † **The InVocation Discernment weekend for men and women aged 18-35 at St Mary’s College, Oscott, Birmingham from Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th July.** InVocation is a national festival aimed at young men and women who are looking to deepen their relationship with Christ, discern God’s will for their lives and perhaps be open to the possibility of a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. You can find out more at www.invocation.org.uk.
- † **Baptism Course for Parents of Infants**—11th April at 2pm in Parish Centre

Allen Hall:

The Seminary of the Diocese of Westminster, is open once again to guests this summer and offers very reasonably priced accommodation. It would be ideal for any guests you may have visiting over the summer or indeed if you yourself would enjoy some quiet time in the peaceful atmosphere of Allen Hall and its gardens. Please see your parish notice board for our poster and details of how to book. For more information ring Mary Aldridge on 0208 7349 5600 ext. 1.



The Shroud of Turin Exhibition at Westminster Cathedral 11th-19th April 2010. Come and see the journey of Jesus from the moment of His trial, through the events of Good Friday to the empty tomb. Admission Free.

- † **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.
- † **Half Day Retreats:** There are to be half day SUNDAY retreats, the first is on 23rd May especially for **Readers** and those who would like to offer to become readers. The second is on 30th May especially for **Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** and those who would like to offer to become a minister. The retreats will be held in the Parish Centre between 2.00pm and 5.00pm.
- † **Ascent Group:** Will meet on this Tuesday, 6th April after midday Mass, in the Parish Centre for a shared lunch and Easter reflection. The following week, on Tuesday, 13th April we shall go for a pub lunch after midday Mass. Please leave your name on the sign-up list at the back of the Church. We look forward to seeing you on either or both of these days. Contact Winnie on 334998 for more information.
- † **Finbar Furey and Band:** In concert at 7.30pm on Saturday 10th April at the Salvatorian College, High Street, Harrow Weald. Tickets £12 Box Office 0208 8630059. Plus Support Acts.
- † **Vocational Retreat for Youths:** You are warmly invited to share a spiritual retreat with the Missionary Servants of the Poor of the Third World. The Missionary Vocation is a special vocation patterned on that of the apostles. It is manifested in a total commitment to evangelisation, a commitment which involves the missionary’s whole person and life. Date 7- 9th May.
- † **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

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