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P minus 55 and Counting...

There is great momentum now as we countdown towards the Pope's state visit to the United Kingdom in September and there are an increasing number of opportunities for us to be a part of it.

On Saturday 18 September there will be a prayer vigil in Hyde Park. We have been allocated 100 places for this. On Sunday 19 September the Mass of Beatification of John Henry Newman takes place in Birmingham for which we have been given 30 tickets. Should you wish to attend either of these events please fill in the forms in the porch. Your details will then be passed on to the organisers for security purposes so ensure that you write clearly.

In the event of oversubscription we will draw lots to decide who will go. Should there be little take-up of these opportunities our places will be reallocated to another parish. In both cases transport will be provided.

We need to communicate numbers to Fr Robert by 30 July and send off all the pilgrim details by 5 August. We have been advised that these deadlines are non-negotiable.

This is an opportunity to be a part of history – the first Papal state visit since the Reformation – and I'm sure you'll grasp it with both hands. *Fr Kevin*

Day for Life

The annual Day for Life is celebrated in England and Wales this weekend. This year's theme focuses on the meaning of Christian death and care for those who are dying. At every Mass we remember all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith as well as those whose faith is known to God alone. One of the Eucharistic prayers used at funerals reflects on the Church's teaching on eternal life: "Lord, for your faithful people, life is changed, not ended." This year's Day for Life gives us the opportunity as individuals and as a community to reflect on the experience of death and dying. Our parishes need to be places of solace and comfort for those who have entered the final phase of their lives, and their families, as well as those on the painful journey of bereavement. To help us reflect on these issues further there is a short leaflet available in the Church porch. Other helpful resources are available at www.dayforlife.org.

Welcome to our Parish - If you are new to the parish, or have been away for some time, welcome to our community! Please introduce yourself to Fr Kevin or Kay after Mass and they will give you a parish registration form. Please hand it into the Parish Office when completed. If you are already registered, it would be appreciated if you could let us know of any changes to your particulars i.e. change of address, phone no.

Sick - Chris Fernando, Peter Flaherty, Mary Riordan, Heather Kneipp, Sam Ryan, Michael Kunicki, Grace O'Shea, John Hodgson, Con O'Donoghue, Linda Sherwin, Joseph Pragasam, Christopher & Katherine Browne, Mary Brampton, Frank Moran, Michael Kelly, Clive Johnson, Aarti Taylor, Thelma Camberbatch, Neville Higgins, Betty George, Michael Byrne, Colette Thornborough, Susan Morgan, Ann Brien, William Graham, Wilma Woodstock, Richard Cobb, Bob Smith, Nelly Dyt, Daphne Bose, James Lloyd, Nadia Tagliani, Kathleen English, Andrew Webley, Lalitha Fernando, Hilda Rogers, Peter Watson, Regina Emmanuel, Lata Rodrigo, Gerard O'Brien, Elizabeth Hessian

Recently Deceased -

Anniversaries - Sarah Sloane, Jean Cross, Catherine & Edward Barker, George Walters, Jack & Ita Ryan, John Malone, Alice Thoumine, Janet King, Chrissie Hurley, Mary Williams, Jenny Dancaster, Bridget Casey, Annie Chanahlian

Mass Times

Sunday 6pm (Saturday) 8.30, 10.00, 11.30am
Monday 10am - SS Joachim & Ann, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday 10am - Feria
Wednesday 10am - Feria
Thursday 7.30pm - St. Martha
Friday 10am - Feria
Saturday 9.30am - St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Exposition & Benediction: Saturday 10 - 10.30am
Confessions: Saturday 10 - 10.30am & 5.15 - 5.45pm

Baptisms - We welcome Dominic Frearson who is being baptised in our Church this weekend.

Congratulations & Best Wishes - to Sr. Eleanor O'Gorman who celebrated her Silver Jubilee during the week.

Saturday Religious Education Classes - Registration forms are available after Masses this weekend for September 2010. Children at non-Catholic schools, year 1 and above are welcome to attend.

First Holy Communion Photographs - This weekend is the last opportunity to order the First Holy Communion group photograph - for details please see notice board at the back of the Church.

Readers & Special Ministers Rotas - New rotas, starting from 31st July/1st August, are now available in the Church porch. Do please collect your relevant rota **this weekend**.

Welcome Rota - Welcomers are asked to collect their new rota from the Church porch.

Are you going into hospital? - If you should have to be admitted to hospital, or know of someone who is in hospital, it would be appreciated if you could inform one of the Parish Team. If you, or a relative/friend, have to be admitted to Northwick Park Hospital, please ask for the RC Chaplain and phone the Hospital Chaplaincy giving the name and ward of the patient 8869 2112.

Sick List - If, in the past, you have asked for someone to be put on the sick list, it would be very much appreciated if you could let Mary know whether that person should be taken off - hopefully because they are now better.

Mass Intentions - It would be helpful if parishioners could give **at least 8 - 10** weeks notice if they would like a Mass celebrated for a particular intention.

Daily Reflection Leaflets - of today's Gospel are in the Church porch.

Pius XII - A Saint in the Making

A biographical study by Michael Winterbottom looks at the fascinating life of this most controversial of popes, and takes a close look at what led to the start of a virtual industry, an industry with the sole aim of defaming the memory of Pope Pius XII. If you would like to obtain a copy, order forms are available on the Papers table at the back of the Church.

Summer Literary Evening Special!

Thursday, 29th July at 8pm at St. John Fisher in the main hall. Entrance FREE. This special event features readings (and discussion) from the American poet, Stewart Florsheim - winner of the 2005 Blue Light Award and author of "The Short Fall from Grace". In addition there will be readings from some local authors. Licensed bar open from 7.30pm. ALL ARE WELCOME - MALE and FEMALE even though the event is being hosted by the Parish Women's Group. This promises to be a wonderful evening for anyone who enjoys and appreciates literature. Please do come along and bring interested guests plus some money, should you wish to purchase a book. For more information contact Barbara 020 8866 6665.

Department of Pastoral Affairs -

Annual Theology of the Body Lecture, Westminster Cathedral Hall, Tuesday, 14th September 6.30pm-9pm. All welcome, admission fee £10 on door, £5 students, OAPs, unemployed. Speaker Brian J. Gail, author of "Fatherless". Enquiries and to reserve a place please contact cathmacgillivray@rcdow.org.uk or phone 7931 6064

Pilgrims Progress - August edition is available in the Church porch and contains a report on the Annual General Meeting of CTinNH held on 13th July and Financial Report for 2009/2010, together with information on events taking place in the various churches in North Harrow.

Catholic Singles - is an organisation for single, widowed, separated and divorced Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) to meet, either one to one or through social events, and receive a monthly bulletin. Phone 0161 941 3498 or visit info@catholicsingles.org.uk

St. Gregory's Catholic Science

College - is in the process of recruiting a highly motivated English graduate to work as Learning Support Assistant in the thriving and successful Special Needs Department. You will be supporting and enabling young people with learning difficulties to access the curriculum both in the classroom and in small groups. If you are thinking of teaching as a career, this experience will enhance your application. Interested? Please send your CV to the Senco at St. Gregory's Science College, Donnington Road, Kenton, Harrow, Middx, HA3 ONB

SPEC is also seeking to appoint young men and women for a year-out experience beginning in September, working with children and young people living as part of the SPEC Community at All Saints Pastoral Centre, London Colney, with particular focus on nurturing faith in young people through various dynamic activities. More information: www.spec.org.uk

Diocese of Westminster - Vacancy

Assistant to the Works Manager

(1 year contract, with possibility of extension) to support the Works Manager and maintenance team for the Westminster Cathedral complex. Based in our central London offices, this is an opportunity for someone interested in working in an administrative role within the construction/maintenance industry. 21 hpw 9am-5pm 3 days per week, £9-11 per hour (neg). Closing date 9th August For job description and application form please go to the job section of our website at www.rcdow.org.uk or contact Julie Dauncey 020 7798 9167 email juliedauncey@rcdow.org.uk

Harrow Association of Disabled

People - can provide a **free** home safety check and supply and install **free** "long life" smoke alarms which have a 10 year battery life, and can be switched off when you're cooking and will turn

itself back on automatically. Special smoke alarms can also be supplied for people with visual impairment or who are profoundly deaf. (Offer only available to Harrow residents who are 60 or over or live in a household with a disabled resident). For more details, or to book an appointment, contact Stuart Dashwood, Project Manager, 020 8861 9929, email s.dashwood@had.org.uk.

Forthcoming Social Events

St. Luke's Hospice - Cinemania -

Dirty Dancing at the Green Man Pub & Hotel in Wembley Saturday, 7th August 8pm - 10.40pm (Salsa 8.15pm, movie 9pm) Cost £5 Salsa class, £5 Movie.

Food and drink available, bring a blanket to sit on the grass and dress warmly. For further information/to book tickets contact Mita Vaghji on 8382 8063 or email mvaghji@stlukes-hospice.org.

Fr. Simon Nguyen Golf Cup - will

take place on Sunday, 26th September. This popular event will be preceded by a fundraising Family Disco in the main hall of the Pope John Centre in Heston on Friday, 17th September from 7.30pm.

For more information contact Patrick Holland on 7617 8021 or the Parish Secretary on 8570 1818 or email heston@rcdow.org.uk.