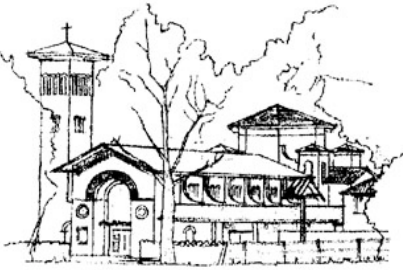
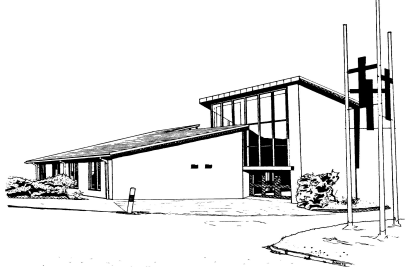


NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S & THE ENGLISH MARTYRS

	<p style="text-align: center;">Parish Clergy:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mgr John Nelson (Parish Priest & Co-ordinating Pastor)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Fr Joseph Awoh (Resident at St Joseph's)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Registered Charity Number: 246871</p>	
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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

6TH/7TH NOVEMBER 2010

Bonfire Night commemorates the discovery of the plot to blow up King James at the State Opening of Parliament on 5 November 1605. Guy Fawkes had become a Catholic earlier in his life and was determined to use violence to secure a Catholic as the ruler. King James was so relieved that the plot was discovered that he ordered bonfires to be lit around London and later the setting off of fireworks to celebrate.

Last month, over four hundred years later, we saw Pope Benedict being invited by the Queen, to speak to the British people in the very building Guy Fawkes was trying to blow-up. We heard the Pope commend the British people for their “national instinct for moderation” and for the contribution that the people of this nation have made to “the Commonwealth and the English-speaking world at large”.

This weekend we are reflecting on our communion with our sister Diocese in Bamenda in the Cameroon. Just like with Guy Fawkes, our history with the Cameroon has not always been good. Cameroon is now a member of the Commonwealth but in the past has been exploited as a Portuguese, German, French and English colony. Times have changed and since 1974 we have been getting to know each other in partnership. We may have more material goods here, and we are being asked to share some of those this weekend, but we also have much to receive and learn from others.

Pope Benedict gave us encouragement when he visited last month. Last year he went to the Cameroon and here are the words of support he spoke there: “People of Cameroon, I urge you to seize the moment the Lord has given you! Answer his call to bring reconciliation, healing and peace to your communities and your society! Work to eliminate injustice, poverty and hunger wherever you encounter it! And may God bless this beautiful country, “Africa in miniature”, a land of promise, a land of glory.”

Fr Andrew

MASS INTENTIONS				
ENGLISH MARTYRS	TIMINGS		ST JOSEPH'S	
Deceased Carvalho & Bennett Families RIP	6.30 pm	Vigil Mass		
Vincenzo Severino RIP	9.30 am	Sunday	8.30 am	Kathleen Walsh's Intentions
Bernadette Jack's Intentions	11.30 am		10.30 am	Sr Pauline McDermot RIP
Michael Heneghan RIP	5.00 pm			
Syro Malabar (Malayalam)	6.30 pm			
Bridie Bavistock RIP	9.30 am	Monday	8.30 am	Elizabeth Flattery RIP
Josephine May RIP	9.30 am	Tuesday	7.00 pm	Deceased Members of the Parish
Joan Bailey RIP	9.30 am	Wednesday	9.00 am	Annie Kate Walshe RIP
Ray O'Donnell's Intentions	8.00 pm	Thursday	9.00 am	Thomas Walshe RIP
			7.00 pm	Margaret Coleman's coffin in Church
Norman Cullity RIP	9.30 am	Friday	11.00 am	Funeral - Margaret Coleman RIP
			7.00 pm	Deceased Members of the Parish
		Saturday	10.00 am	Peter Sweeney RIP
FEASTS OF THE WEEK:				
Tue.–The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Wed.–St Leo the Great Thur.–St Martin of Tours Fri.–St Josaphat				
Thursday 7- 8 pm	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT		Saturday – 9.30 - 10 am	
5.30–6.15 pm	CONFESSIONS - SATURDAY		10.30-11 am	
Responsorial Psalm: “I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.”				

COLLECTIONS FOR 31ST OCTOBER 2010

Gift Aid	£390.76
Planned Giving	£60.00
Loose Plate	£303.39
TF3	£1.50
Bamenda	£12.00
Candle Money	£42.49
Cathedral Fund	£2.00
Papal Visit	£25.00
TOTAL	£837.14
Running Totals	
TF5 (Fr Zvonko)	£1,623.15

REMINDER

The counters for Sunday, 14th November will be Tony & Jill Flint and Pat Knowles.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a special collection **TODAY** for Bamenda.

YOUTH GROUP

The next Youth Group session on Friday, 12th November will consist of a Photoshoot Session. For further details please contact *Nicola Ritchie 941 5636*.

PARISH SOCIAL MORNING

The social mornings are held on Wednesdays after 9 am Mass in the small hall. *Maria Forestiero (961 5237)*.

JOURNEY IN FAITH

Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith? You may be considering becoming a Catholic or simply want to ask a few questions. Perhaps you are a Catholic who has been out of touch and would like to reconnect. The Journey in Faith group meets on Thursday evenings. For more details please contact the parish office or phone *Brigid Parkes on 942 7436*.

PARENT/CARER AND TODDLER GROUP

Held in the Church hall each Thursday between **9.15 am – 11 am** during term-time. (Please note new times). Here, your children can play and socialise in a safe environment and you can enjoy a coffee and a chat. *Please do come and join us*.

THE PAPAL VISIT

Faith Today have published a special souvenir edition on the Papal visit. It includes all his homilies and photographs of the event. They are on sale in the repository and cost £2.50.

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH QUIZ NIGHT

The United Reformed Church situated at the corner of Armour Road and Polsted Road is hosting a quiz night in support of Christian Aid on Saturday, 20th November. Further details to follow – *John Macbeth*.

ST PAUL'S SCHOOL NEWS

News from St Paul's Primary School is contained in its weekly newsletter and is displayed in the Church porch.

NOVEMBER – HOLY SOULS

It is the custom at St Joseph's to offer petitions in remembrance of the holy souls. This year, during the month of November, there will be a basket in front of the Sanctuary to receive the petitions. Please do not place any offerings in the basket. Any such offerings should be referred to *Fr Joseph or to Sheila Jones in the Parish Office*.

Fr Joseph will be offering designated Masses in November for the departed members of families, parishioners and friends. It is not possible to celebrate individual Masses for each family in the Parish. In addition to our general intention to include them in every Mass, the following Masses will be offered specifically for those named:

Tuesday, 9th November at 7 pm
Friday, 12th November at 7 pm
Tuesday, 16th November at 7 pm
Tuesday, 23rd November at 7 pm
Friday, 26th November at 7 pm

SPECIAL SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

- **TODAY** at 3 pm – Bereavement Service at English Martyrs Church, followed by refreshments in the hall.
- Sunday, 14th November at 3 pm - Blessing of the Graves – Henley Road Cemetery.
- Sunday, 21st November – St Michael's Churchyard at 2 pm. *All are welcome to attend these Services*.

THANK YOU

Geoff Bailey and his Family would like to thank all those who supported them and prayed for them during Joan's illness.

CHRISTMAS ITEMS

This Sunday and for the next few weeks, Christmas cards, advent calendars and candles, cribs and other Christmas items will be on sale in the Church hall after masses.

DIocese OF PORTSMOUTH DEPARTMENT FOR PASTORAL FORMATION

The Gospel of Matthew: 'A treasure both that is new and that is old'. Led by Fr. Peter Edmonds SJ a British Jesuit who has specialised in the study of Scripture. Thursday, 11th November - St Bede's, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX. 11.00 am- 4 pm (Coffee from 10.30 am). Please bring a packed lunch — tea and coffee provided. Cost: £15 per person. Advance booking is essential. For booking form contact Eileen Stephenson on 01329 835583 or estephenson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. Please return form with payment to: *The Administrator, Department for Pastoral Formation, Park Place Pastoral Centre, Winchester Road, Wickham, Hants. PO17 5HA. (Cheques should be made payable to PRC DTR Department for Pastoral Formation)*.

READING PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Saturday, 22nd - 29th October 2011 (half term). Visiting Jerusalem, Galilee, Dead Sea, Nazareth etc. Half board. Led by Fr John O'Shea. Group of 50. Registration with deposit of £100. Total cost £1134. *For an application form telephone 0118 957 4171 or email parish@jameswilliam-reading.org.uk*. Bookings close on Sunday, 5th December.

LIFE

We have invited other charities to join us in a Charity Christmas Fayre in the English Martyrs parish centre on Saturday 20th November from 1 – 4 pm. Entrance 30p, Christmas gifts for sale, raffle and refreshments. As last year, there will be no Mayor's Charity Christmas Market in the town centre. Further details from *Christine Wall, tel. 941 1605*.

THANK YOU FROM MARGARET

I would like to thank Fr John and all of you for the warm reception you gave me at 10.30 am Mass on Sunday, when I received the certificate from CAFOD. For once, I was practically speechless! Thank you all so much and of course for all your support through the year for CAFOD. Lynda was saying how much they appreciate all that our parish does. Thank you again – *Margaret Chaplin*.

PAID AND VOLUNTEER VACANCIES AT CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY ACTION

Furniture Outlet Supervisor (paid) 21 hours per week including 2 Saturdays out of 3 on a rota £6.75/hour Based at our Silver Street Furniture Outlet. Volunteer Accountant with Sage experience (short-term commitment) Christian Community Action is currently setting up a trading subsidiary. We are looking for someone to develop and manage the implementation of the accounting and administration processes associated with this project. We are also looking for volunteers for our support centre at Oxford Road and to crew our vans. For more details about any of these vacancies, please phone 0118 951 2336 or email mail@ccam.org.uk. Thank you.

WELCOME

A warm welcome to Luca Kai Shaw who is to be baptised here at St Joseph's today.