

**CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERT** raised £293 each for LSU Sisters in Haiti and the Children of the Andes.

~ *The UPPER Car Park should be reserved for more elderly parishioners for week-end Masses.* ~

**Holiday Week-day Mass Times:** During August, only morning Mass will be celebrated on a Friday.

**PAPAL VISIT:** If you are interested in going to the Beatification Mass for Cardinal John Henry Newman on Sunday (19<sup>th</sup> September), cost £30 per person, please let Fr Tom know in writing or by email. There are 15 places for St John's parishioners. If numbers exceed our allocated places, we will draw the names.

**THIRD WORLD BOX:** £1,000 has been sent to Sr Helen & Sr Maria in Haiti; £500 to Sr Adreana in Tanzania; £500 to Fr Danny in Peru; and £500 to Sr Colette Fund in Gambia.

**ART GROUP:** now taking summer break; will resume on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> September, 1.30 pm in the Parish Hall. New members welcome!

**Text of Fr Peter's Lenten Talks** is now available on our website. If you have no internet access and would like a copy, they are available in the parish office.

**The Genesis Furniture Project** sells donated furniture at affordable prices to those on benefits. It also supplies food parcels to those who are desperate for food - around 120 parcels a month. Jamie, the Genesis Furniture Project manager, is having to turn people away when they come looking for white goods and for food parcels. Demand is more than we can supply and our food cupboards are empty. Could you help those in need by donating any of the following items? \*Cooker, washing machine, fridge, freezer, fridge/freezer combo, tumble dryer.\*Dried, tinned or packaged food and drinks (please check use-by dates are OK).Please give Jamie a call on 421111 or email [furniture@genesistrust.org.uk](mailto:furniture@genesistrust.org.uk). He can arrange collection if needed. The Furniture Project team would be very grateful to hear from you, as they really hate to turn away people in need.

**Female parishioner seeks temporary accommodation** for 6 weeks until she moves into a new house. Contact 07922 571123.

### Weddings & Baptisms

For enquiries about weddings and baptisms, please see Fr Tom at the end of week-end Masses.

# St John the Evangelist Parish

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25<sup>th</sup> July 2010. Seventeenth Sunday of the Year. Year 3

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**We welcome you to Mass here this Week-end.**

The friend has to get up and open the door, which is secured with a beam. The noise he makes in removing the beam will wake up the children. But hospitality is a sacred duty. So he will get up and give his friend all he needs. With this parable Jesus wants to tell us that God is our friend. And Luke interprets this parable like a Greek philosopher: we Christians are God's friends. Praying is speaking to God as to a friend. We may make requests to God as shamelessly as of a friend. God will not turn us away. For the friendship between God and us is far firmer than that between human beings. . . . . .  
The second parable explains what it means to have God as Father. Every father knows what's good for his children. The human heart is thoroughly good. The father cares for his children. He will not give them a stone instead of bread, or a serpent instead of fish, or a scorpion instead of an egg. Here Jesus is speaking to people's sense of honesty. Readers are moved by these examples which are attributed to an earthly father. He knows what is good for us. He will not disappoint us and will not give us anything that could harm us.

~ *Anselm Grün* ~

**Entrance Antiphon:** God is in his holy dwelling; he will give a home to the lonely, he gives power and strength to his people.

**First Reading:** Genesis 18:20-32

**Responsorial Psalm:** "On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord."

**Second Reading:** Colossians 2:12-24

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke 11:1-13

**Communion Antiphon:** O, bless the Lord, my soul, and remember all his kindness.

**Parents:** There is NO Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) this week-end. It will resume in September.

**COFFEE MORNING** after the 10 am Mass this morning. All welcome!

## TIMES OF MASS THIS WEEK AND NEXT

<i>Mass Intentions</i>			
Sat	24 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Mass 5.45 pm</b>	
Sun	25 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Mass 10 am</b>	<i>Joan Tomlin RIP</i>
		<b>Mass 6.30 pm</b>	
Mon	26 <sup>th</sup> July	Mass 9.30 am	<i>Fr John McGowan's intentions</i>
		<b><i>Sts Joachim &amp; Ann</i></b>	
Tue	27 <sup>th</sup> July	Mass 10 am	<i>Shirley Singleton RIP</i>
Wed	28 <sup>th</sup> July	Mass 10 am	<i>Owen &amp; Mary Finn RIP</i>
Thu	29 <sup>th</sup> July	Mass 7.30 pm	Perrymead (Open-Air)
		<b><i>St Martha</i></b>	
Fri	30 <sup>th</sup> July	Mass 10 am	<i>Veronica D'Cunha Craig RIP</i>
		Mass 5.45 pm	
Sat	31 <sup>st</sup> July	No morning Mass	
		<b><i>St Ignatius</i></b>	Vigil of 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year
		Mass 5.45 pm	

**Confessions:** Saturdays 12-12.30 pm; 5-5.30 pm; 6.45-7 pm

### Offerings for the week:

Offering:		£ 739.86
Gift Aid Giving	£807.00	
Tax Recovered	£227.00	£1,034.00
Third World		£ 34.09
Sunday Coffee Morning: Church Maintenance Fund		£ 51.02

**SECOND COLLECTION** this week-end for 'Day for Life'. Proceeds go to the Anscombe Bioethics Centre (formerly Linacre Centre) and other life-related activities supported by the Church.

### MINISTRIES NEXT WEEK-END 31<sup>st</sup> July / 1<sup>st</sup> August – READERS

5.45 pm	Volunteer
10 am	Volunteer
6.30pm	I Collier-Webb

## PARISH EVENTS:

**WELCOME** to the A.L.F.A. Group who will be leading the music and singing at our 10 am Mass this Sunday.

**RCIA** meet again in September.

**New Prayer Group called "The Way"** is meeting on **Wednesdays** at 7.30 pm in the Presbytery. All welcome.

**PARISH WALK: Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> July** at 1.30 pm. Please see notice board for meeting place and route.

**TALK on Matthew's Gospel** by Fr Nicholas King on **Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September** at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall. All welcome!

**Tridentine Rite** will be celebrated with the Latin Mass Society at Eyre Chapel, Perrymead Cemetery on **Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> September** at 2 pm. Main celebrant: Fr Bill McLoughlin. See poster at the back of the church for further details.

**DEANERY CONFIRMATION:** will be on **Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> November** at 7 pm here at St John's. If you would like to be confirmed, please write to Fr Tom. Preparations will start in September.

## EXTERNAL EVENTS:

**HEALING MASS** with Exposition and Benediction at St Mary's, Glastonbury on **Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> August** at 7pm celebrated by Fr Kevin Knox-Lecky. Everyone welcome!

**'The Diary of God':** a series of eight sessions will be held in St Bernadette's Whitchurch starting **29<sup>th</sup> September** and running until 24<sup>th</sup> November. These will be led by John Huntriss from our Department for Adult Education and Evangelisation. For booking and more information, phone Ronnie Mitchinson on tel: 0117 9025595.

**Diocesan Certificate in Pastoral Liturgy:** Are you interested in liturgy? The Department for Liturgy runs a course in the field of Liturgy. No previous qualifications are required, just a love of the liturgy! The Course is designed to run over two school years, studying one module each term over four Saturdays. For more information and application contact the Department Administrator on 01275 851591.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**JOAN TOMLIN RIP & VERONICA PHILOMENA D'CUNHA CRAIG RIP:** *With sadness the parish heard of the deaths of Joan Tomlin and Veronica Craig. Joan, Elizabeth Hanson's grandmother, passed away peacefully after a long illness. Veronica died suddenly in the RUH. Both died on Tuesday (20<sup>th</sup>). Veronica's funeral will be at Haycombe on Monday (26<sup>th</sup>) at 1pm. May they rest in peace.*

**PARISH FAYRE:** £710.37 was raised. Thanks to all who helped.