

Dear Parishioners,

There are 50 days of Easter and during this time when we are especially filled with Easter joy, we try to open ourselves more fully to God and to become more receptive to the Holy Spirit. Peter was told to "feed my lambs". God has something special in store for each one of us and it involves in some way feeding other people, bringing the faith to them. Our country is facing grave problems which are essentially of a religious and moral nature. This forms a good background against which to engage in talking about and witnessing to the faith.

I am hoping that we may be able to start a new RCIA group for anyone wanting to be received into the Catholic Church and for anyone, responding to the call of Christ who wants to enter into a more committed level of discipleship. If you are interested in this, please have a word with me, or if you know someone you think may be interested in the Catholic religion give them some encouragement. Anyway, please pray that the Gospel may be spread in our locality.

May God bless you and lead you through His Holy Spirit.

Fr. Stephen Pimlott

Entrance Antiphon: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy; praise the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise, alleluia. **Responsorial Psalm**: I will praise you, Lord, you

have rescued me.

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia.

Communion Antiphon: Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat. And he took the bread, and gave it to them, alleluia. <u>Saturday Vigil Mass</u> S 5.30 pm Les Rabone (E. Imrie)

Sunday 18th April Third Sunday of Easter

B 8.00 am Sylvia Caldwell (P. & M. Hill) **S 10.00 am** People of the Parish

Monday Monday of Easter week 3

S 10.00 am Eucharistic Service

S 7.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

B 7.30 pm Vespers

<u>Tuesday</u> Tuesday of Easter week 3 B 10.00 am 50th Wedding Anni. (J. & D. Kean)

Wednesday Wednesday of Easter week 3 S 10.00 am Sylvia Caldwell (H.G. & family)

<u>Thursday</u> Thursday of Easter week 3 **B 10.00 am** Private Intention (T. & S. Sealey)

<u>Friday</u> Solemnity of *St George, Patron of England* **S 10.00 am** Bill O'Donnell (C. & E. Round)

<u>Saturday</u> Saturday of Easter week 3 S 10.00 am People of the Parish

Saturday Vigil Mass S 5.30 pm John Gough (E. Imrie)

Sunday 25th April Fourth Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations

B 8.00 am Clive & Berta Hilton (Bewdley SVP) **S 10.00 am** John Byrne (M.D.)

S = Stourport B = Bewdley Confessions: Weekdays & Saturday after 10.00 am Mass

World Youth Day 2011 - 9th - 21st August 2011 Pilgrimage to Madrid. Information evening at St Chad's Cathedral; Wed 28th April, 7.30 pm, *www.bcys.co.uk*

Newman Retreat

Holland House, Cropthorne, Worcs, **Mon 26th - Wed 28th April**, including visits to Oriel College Oxford and Birmingham Oratory. Accommodation, meals, packed lunches and excursions all inclusive: £180.00. Tel: 01386 860330, email enquiries@hollandhouse.org

Ministries for next week		
<u>24/25 Apr</u>	Readers	Euch. Ministers
5.30 pm	B. Smith A. Cotton	E. Imrie, E. Bridgford E. Barry, J. Gosling
10.00 am	M. Goode F. Raybould	B. & F. Mohan P. Baker, K. Savage

Dates for your Diary

Advance Notice of the **Parish BBQ and Pig Roast** on Sat 10th July. Meeting for all willing to help on Tues **20th April**, 7.30 pm, in St Wulstan's Conf. room.

Friend's of the Holy Land will meet this month on Friday **23rd April** at John and Marie O'Brien's house, Severn Bank House, Severnside South, Bewdley, 7.45 pm.

Birmingham Newman Association: Fr Paul Fitzpatrick from Oscott will speak on the Bishops' Conference document, "The gift of Scripture", followed by "Living Scripture today", on **24th April**, 12 - 3 pm, at St Dunstans Parish Conference Room, Kingsfield Road, Kings Heath, Birmingham.

Next Sunday, **25th April**, Chris Catchpole will be running the **London Marathon** in support of the Multiple Sclerosis Resource Centre. Please consider supporting Chris in this very worthy cause. Thank you to those who have already signed the sponsor form at the back of Church. I have put out an extra page. Alternatively you can log on to www.justgiving.com/Chris-Catchpole2010.

Fr Stephen will once again be putting on his bicycle clips and helmet in aid of the **Fr Hudson's** children's charity for their sponsored bike ride on **Monday 3rd May**. Please sponsor Fr Stephen by signing the form at the back of Church.

St Wulstan's appointed day of **Prayer for Vocations** is on **Thurs 6th May** which is also polling day for the general election. It seems appropriate that we have a full Day of Exposition, 7.00 am - 10.00 pm, to cover the time that the polls are open. It is essential someone is there at all times so please sign up for one hour slots on the form at the back of Church.

The SKAstuds: Birmingham based Ska and Reggie band, including parishioners Matt Davies and Oliver Kennedy, will perform in the Community Centre on Fri 7th May, 8.30 pm, on behalf of the Sunny Trust. Tickets £5.00 (no concessions) in advance from Niki Davies (07909 564323). Bring your own food and drink.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK, **MAY 9 - 15, 2010**: St. Wulstan's parishioners have a well justified excellent reputation for their help with the annual Christian Aid house-to-house collection. The time has come round again for us to swing into action. If you can deliver and collect envelopes in one of the groups of roads assigned to us that will be great. The lists are at the back of the church for you to **sign up**. Envelopes will be available from Saturday, May 1st onwards. *Derek Smith*.

Celebration of Choral Singing, Handel's Messiah, **Sat 15th May**, 7.00 pm, St Mary's Church, Kidderminster, tickets £7.50 (£6.00 concessions). To be part of the choir contact Ann Lyman (01299 404226). In aid of Trinity Methodist's repairs.

Proposed Parish trip to Rome and Assisi, **Sept 2011**. Please give names to Eddie Barry if you are interested. Details to follow.

Bits and Pieces

Congratulations to Mark Butterworth and Zoë Philcox who were **married** on Saturday 17th April at Holy Family Church. Wishing them many blessings for the future. Also to Donald and Jo Kean who celebrate their **50th Wedding Anniversary** on 18th April.

We have received a message from **ARIBA**, the Highley based African charity (Uganda and Zambia), thanking us for all the support we have given to their recent appeals. Their latest newsletter can be seen at the back of the church.

Collections: Last week's offertory collection was £413.49. *Thank you for your generosity.* Good Friday collection for the Holy Places came to £204.36. There will be a second collection **next week** for the Priest's Training Fund.

New hospitality Rotas for Stourport available at the back of the church. Please take a copy of the rota and cross your name off the master list. Thank you to all who help with this important ministry. *Jane Horton.*

The new lists for **Eucharistic Ministers** at Stourport have been sent out. Please check your emails. If any ministers have not received their copy, have changed their email or can now be contacted by email please let Marie O'Brien know on marie.obrien@dsl.pipex.com. List also appear on the parish web site. Thank you

State visit of Pope Benedict XVI. The Diocesan Liturgy Commission is looking to form a large choir for the Beatification Mass on **Sun 19th Sept** at Coventry Airport. If you are interested you must act NOW as registration must be received by **28th April**. You will need access to the internet as all information is posted on www.abcm.org.uk. If you don't have access the parish secretary can help you (please contact the Presbytery). There is also a letter and information at the back of St. Wulstan's Church. Please be aware this will require a large commitment of time.

See the latest Catholic Today for a full page write up of our Lent talks on Cardinal Newman. Out now, just 50p.

In Brief: Easter Raffle: Prizes still to be collected: No's 41-45 (two Easter eggs); No's 431-435 (biscuits) and No's 486-490 (Roses); see Eddie Barry...Lottery Winner: 10th April No. 27 Jim Friar...Bible Alive for May out now, £1.95

Please pray for the souls of those who have died recently: Cyril Laskey, Keith Backley, Luke Pachol, Fr Lawrence King.

and all those whose anniversaries occur at about this time:

Florence Waters, Bernard Collins, Mary Nicholson, Martha Linkin, Tom Ferguson, Cyril Reynolds, Gerard Troy, Kathleen Quinn, Dimitri Fesowicz, Geoffrey Nicholson, Alice Holland, Vernon Curtis, Edmond Rochford, Clare Bird, Mary Ward, Sheila Cunnington, Hilda Peers, James Shearer, George Brazier, Joseph Norris, Geoffrey Wood, Veronica Farmer, George Rigby, Michael Hopley, Walter Earp, Angela Dormer, David Pimlott, Margaret Carey, Kelvin Imrie, Gerardette Theresa McAllister, Gertrude Mason. **Grant eternal rest, O Lord, to the souls**

of the faithful departed. Amen.

We pray for all who are ill:

David Barrett, Joan Buckley, Emma Caldwell, Anthony Piechowicz, Margaret Payne, Margaret Darcy, Pat Meese, Anne Durnell, Bill O'Donnell, Michael Kerrigan, Mary George, Vicky Dunn, David Hooper, Therese Archer, Frederick Roberts, Richard Lindoe, Christopher Harris, John Ward, Jane Coy, Geoff Perryman, Fr Walter Bance, Stella Allin, Frances Hopla, Eileen Quinn, Alison Connor, Luke Caldwell, David Connolly, Therese Woodward, Ann Beaumont, Annie Egan, Jo Keane, Phil Eady, Bridie Phillips, Sheila Dickinson, Vera Smith, Sarah Dunne, Theresa Watts.

For those in nursing homes & the housebound: Mollie Jones, Mary Wood, Annie Coyle, Vera Conlon, Veronica Thompson, John Willett. May the healing presence of Christ be with them. If you know of any parishioner who is ill please notify Deacon Pat via the Presbytery.