

COLLECTION FOR PRIEST TRAINING

The Priest Training Fund really needs our help. The number of men training for the priesthood has steadily increased in recent years. 35 men are currently in formation. This is wonderful news but it also means that the Priest Training Fund needs to bring in more money to cover the cost of their training. Please give as much as you can afford to today's collection so that the Fund can continue to seek out, support and train those men who God is calling to the priesthood. *You can also make a donation online by visiting www.rcdow.org.uk/donations*

RED MISSION BOXES (MISSIO)

In 2014 our parish's donations to Missio amounted to £1,498.08 (£543.08 via Red Boxes and £955.00 via direct donations). Thank you for your generosity. If you have a Red Box which requires emptying, please leave it with one of the ushers/ministers of welcome at the back of the church after mass. Silvia, Carlo, Sara Antonioli tel. 622215.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our warmest congratulations to following infants and their families who were all welcomed in to the Catholic Church over the last couple of weeks at the sacrament of Baptism:

Elena Daisy De Gregorio, daughter of Michele & Catherine;
Asher Rowan Bazyluk, son of Ian & Helen;
Tara Lucy Ena Orr, daughter of Jonathan & Emma;
Lilée Faith Angus, daughter of Robert & Caroline and
Leo Magnus Joseph Fenner, son of Jim & Katie.

ST GEORGE'S SUNDAY LUNCH

Great opportunity – **TODAY** 26th April at Lourdes Hall - 12.30 for 1 pm). We will offer a traditional 3 course lunch for £15 for adults, £7.50 for primary school pupils and £50 for a family ticket (no pre-schoolers please). Bring your own drinks – glasses provided. Proceeds will be shared between the Developing World Group and drainage repairs to the undercroft. Whether you want one ticket or a table for 10, you will be **WARMLY** welcomed.



FRIDAY 19TH JUNE, 7PM – A DATE FOR THE DIARY

Bishop John writes “On that evening, I will be offering a Mass of Thanksgiving for 50years of priesthood. It would be a joy if you were able to join me on that occasion, and for the Reception afterwards in Lourdes Hall.”

NO STAFF

It is very sad to see Mass celebrated in our Church with no altar servers. That is how it is quite often. Yet our young people are so numerous. There are 76 children in the 1st Communion class. They will soon be eligible to apply. We look forward to that day. Think about it!. **After Mass today you can add your name to the list in the vestibule.** When First Holy Communion is over we will hold some training sessions.

A SPECIAL KIND OF RETREAT...

A Foyer de Charite Retreat will be held at the Sion Community, Brentwood from Sun 12 July 6pm – Sun 18 July 2pm. The theme is ‘God’s Plan for the Fullness of Time’, and the lead preacher will be Mgr. Keith Barltrop. Foyer retreats are held mainly in silence, with 3 talks a day, and offer a holistic way of deepening our faith in the Church’s teaching and our life in Christ. Further information from Mgr Barltrop 07879 953953, keithbarltrop@rcdow.org.uk

EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Governors and Staff of Bishop Challoner Federation of Schools are seeking and exemplary Lay Chaplain. Good profile, good remuneration and the challenges and responsibilities of the post should bring out the best in the right person, also offering professional development.

Regional Community Fundraiser required to work with diocesan volunteer teams to raise funds to enable

Missio to achieve its mission. This role would suit someone wanting to use their proven fundraising skills to support the Church overseas. Full-time, based in Victoria, London SW1 but will require flexibility to travel within UK and occasionally overseas. Closing date 30 May 2015, Salary up to £30k. Job description and further information www.missio.org.uk or email Richard Hopper at recruitment@missio.org.uk

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY?

The Cardinal would like to invite to Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 23rd May 2015 at 3pm. all couples in the diocese who are celebrating their **10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60)** wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2015. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give Mgr. Turner the following details: husband and wife’s names, wedding date, full postal address and email.

WORLD YOUTH DAY -18-31st July 2016

World Youth Day with the largest youth gathering in the world. Only £750. Book your place soon. For more information email: youth@rcdow.org.uk.

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16th-23rd AUGUST 2015

Join Westminster Youth Ministry’s adventure to the heart of France. Young people aged 16-30 from around the world will come together for a week of friendship, helping others, learning