



## WALK OF WITNESS

People from all the Churches in Harpenden get together on Good Friday to walk through the town in an act of public witness of what the day is about. The walk includes two prayer stops. This is a well worthwhile event – do give it a try!

## CHILDREN'S STATIONS

Our Children's Stations of the Cross will be at **11.30am** on Good Friday **25<sup>th</sup> March** and last around 45 minutes. This is a really good opportunity for children to understand and take part in Christ's Passion on Good Friday. Children take parts in the form of a tableau for each Station (no speaking parts). We need about 12 actors from years 3–6. Rehearsal will be in Church on Friday morning 25<sup>th</sup> March at 9:00am, before the stations at 11:30. Please provide a drink and a snack for your child for during the break before the Stations of the Cross. If your child wants to be part of the service please contact Ginny on 01582 620322 [ginny.sjg@gmail.com](mailto:ginny.sjg@gmail.com) by Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Mar. In the event of getting too many volunteers we will take the first names on the list.

## FLOWER GROUP

The Parish Flower Group collection will be taken after all Masses this weekend.

A lily may be purchased (at £3.50) in memory of a loved one. Blank white envelopes are on the shelf above the Mass books at the back of the church for you to write the name of the loved one and insert the money. The Remembrance Book will be on the table at the back of the church as from Easter Saturday.

## FUNERAL CELEBRATION

The Funeral Mass for Denis Mann R.I.P. will be celebrated here on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00am. Please keep Denis and his family in your prayers at this time. **Please note there will be no 9.15am mass on this day.**

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Once again the annual raffle was a great success, all tickets being sold by the end of the 9.45 Sunday Mass. Many thanks to all those who took part by selling or buying tickets.

## ST PATRICK'S DAY LUNCH

This very popular Ladies' Group event will be held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March in Our Lady's Hall (Undercroft) from 12 noon. Tickets will cost £10 and will include a welcome drink, a traditional Irish meal and an Irish Coffee with barn brack. ALL members of the parish are welcome and tickets will be on sale after all the Masses. Proceeds will go to the Barcelona Settlement in South Africa.

## ST DOMINIC NURSERY

The application process for Nursery places is now open for children born

between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013. The Nursery hours are Monday to Friday 9am to 12 noon. For further information please visit our website [www.stdominic.herts.sch.uk](http://www.stdominic.herts.sch.uk) or contact the school office on 01582 760047 / email [admissions@stdominic.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@stdominic.herts.sch.uk). If you would like to visit the Nursery, please telephone the school to make an appointment. Application close date: Friday 18 March 2016.

## NEW ON OUR WEBSITE

You can find reflections on Sunday Gospel readings during Year of Mercy with spouses in mind. This provides a PDF booklet that you can easily access with this link – <http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/harpenden/jubilee-of-mercy/> These have been produced in the light of the fact that before Easter there should be published the results of the Synod on Marriage and Family Life that took place in Rome last year.

## BACH CANTATAS FOR LENT

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm at St. John's Church, Southdown, AL5 1DJ. Tickets £15 (£5 for students and under 18s) available from Rollings Wine Company of call 01582 462024.

## SISTERS OF ST CLARE

The next Solitude Saturday will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> March at St. Clare's Convent, 3 Abigail Close, Luton LU3 1ND. Telephone (01582) 424518.

## BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

There is a healing weekend for men and women who find themselves single again following divorce, separation or the death of a partner from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at the Emmaus Centre, West Wickham, Kent. For details please contact Sandra 01293-783965, Freda 0132222-838415 or John 01992-642443 email [johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk)

## PIGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Join Cardinal Vincent Nichols to 'England's Nazareth' during the Year of Mercy. The day includes Mass, Procession with the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham and Benediction. Bring a picnic lunch. Travel is by coach. Details from Mgr Turner.

## CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our warmest congratulations to **EFFIE MOLLY MACASKILL**, daughter of Niamh & Peter who we welcomed in to the Catholic Church last Sunday at the sacrament of Baptism. We wish her and her family every blessing as she begins her new life in Christ.

## PACT

Are you interested in the Christian approach to Punishment & Prison? Pact – Prison Advice & Care Trust, a Catholic prison charity is seeking two new Trustees to give guidance, to ensure good governance, strategic oversight and direction. To find out more visit [www.prisonadvice.org.uk/get-involved](http://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/get-involved) or call Chris Dunne on 020 7735 9535.