



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!

MOTHERING SUNDAY

On this special day we offer good wishes to all the mothers of our parish. They perform a most wonderful vocation. Our good wishes to them on this their day.

FLOWER COLLECTION

The Parish Flower Group will have their annual Easter Flower Collection after all masses on 12th/13th March. A lily may be purchased (at £3.50) in memory of a loved one. Please write the name of the loved one on an envelope, place the money inside and give to the collection at the back of church after Mass.

CONVENT CHAPEL

Hour of Prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 2-3pm (Prayer for Persecuted Christians) next Tuesday 8th March at the Convent Chapel, 18 Kirkdale Road.

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 or contact the school office on 01582 760047 / email 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.

ST PATRICK'S DAY LUNCH

This very popular Ladies' Group event will be held on Thursday 17th 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.

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL

After several years of negotiation with Hertfordshire County Council (HCC), it has been agreed to provide a School Crossing Patrol (lollipop person) on Southdown Road outside St Dominic Primary School. HCC are now looking to recruit a person to fill this role. It would be an ideal role for someone with a spare hour or so each day who is interested in providing a valuable service to their community whilst earning a little extra income. The job is 7½ hours per week and duty times are

8.30-9.05am and 3.00-3.35pm on weekdays during term time only. Pay is £7.06 per hour + holiday pay + retainer. A job share will be considered and full training given. If you are interested or would like further information, please contact Heather Hill at Herts County Council on 01992 556 815.

PIGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

Saturday 9 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.

BACH CANTATAS FOR LENT

Tuesday 15th 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. 2016 LONDON NEWMAN LECTURE Augustine and Freud : autobiography and grace The Reverend Dr Giles Fraser, Thursday 10th March, 6 for 6.30pm at Heythrop College, Kensington Square, London, W8 5HN. For more information : secretary@newman.org.uk or phone 07764 946074.

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 or call Chris Dunne on 020 7735 9535.

LAUDATO SI

Contributing to the global debate on climate change, Pope Francis issued his dramatic call for ecological conversion in May 2015. Laudato Si is a wide-ranging examination of environmental issues in the light of faith, in which the Pope argues strongly that social injustice and climate protection are intertwined, and must be tackled together. Thursday 10th March 4:15pm – 6pm at Wolfson Theatre, New Academic Building, LES. Places are limited, so please RSVP to J.Rowan1@lse.ac.uk

FAITH FORMATION

The diocese of Westminster is offering a wealth of adult faith formation opportunities. Study evenings and talks are to be held at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN on a variety of topics including: Scriptures from Scratch series of talks: Biblical Models of Discipleship 14th March 2016, How does Jesus teaching help us live our vocation? By Fr John Hemer 12th April 2016, Mary Magdalen: The Witnessing disciple by Brian Purfield 9th May 2016, Paul: The Missionary Disciple by Fr John Hemer 11th June 2016, Retreat Day by Brian Purfield

THE VIOLENE OF PEACEMAKING

An ecumenical service to mark the 36th anniversary of the martyrdom of Archbishop Oscar Romero on Saturday 19th March at 11am at St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London WC2N 4JJ.