

MASS COUNT

Each year we have to count the Mass attendance in October.

Last weekend's total was:

6.00pm - 168; 8.30am - 165; 9.45am - 364; 11.30am - 168; TOTAL - 865.

CAFOD

This Harvest Fast Day our parish raised £1,750.98 for CAFOD. Thank you for your support and solidarity. You have helped to ensure that more people across the world will be able to grow enough food to support themselves, even during the most extreme droughts.

HARVEST CAKE SALE

Last Sunday's Cake Sale raised £189.15 for CAFOD. Very big thanks to all those who donated cakes, bought them and help sell them!

CATECHISTS MEETING

The next Catechists Meeting will be held on Monday 12th October at 8.00 pm in the Undercroft. This is a change from our usual day so if any of the group leaders cannot attend, would they please arrange for another member of the group to attend.

FORM SIGNING

Monsignor Turner will be available to sign verification of church attendance forms for Secondary School Applications on Saturday 17th October 11.00am - 1.00pm in the church. No need to make an appointment, just turn up. This will be your only opportunity, so don't miss out!

LADIES GROUP BRING & BUY COFFEE MORNING

This will be held **THIS Wednesday** 14th October in the Undercroft immediately following the 9.15 Mass until noon. Proceeds will go to the Developing World Group. **EVERYONE** is welcome. You will enjoy it!!

UNITED NATIONS SERVICE

This annual ecumenical service takes place on 25th October at 6.30pm. This year our church is the host. Please note the time and date. There will be a special speaker invited and the theme will be linked to the refugee crisis.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy Group has an important role in our church community, offering instruction and activity to the younger members of our parish on a Sunday as part of the 9.45am mass. There are 2 groups, younger, aged 5 - 7/8 and older, 7/8 - 10. We are always looking for volunteers to help. It is not too onerous, with each team usually helping with a group twice a term. You would be placed in a team of experienced Catechists and lots of support is available.

You will very much enjoy helping, especially if you have children who attend, just get in touch with Jane Hyman jane.hyman11@gmail.com

ANY ACCOMMODATION ?

A Spanish professional lady from our Parish is seeking accommodation locally. She doesn't mind if it is a

shared house/flat. Contact Tel: 01582 966301 or 07739 937578.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next Sunday 18th October 2015

Pope Francis invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for **Missio**, his official charity for overseas mission. World Mission Sunday is a special day that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer, celebration and care for the mission of the Church. Thanks to your support, the Catholic Church is growing and many parishes can now take care of themselves. However, 40% of the Universal Church is still too new, young or poor to survive without our help, just like the church in Mongolia. By supporting World Mission Sunday you are directly helping missionaries in over 1,000 dioceses bring hope and new life to people who do not yet know that they are precious in the eyes and heart of God. You will be able to Gift Aid all donations by using envelopes provided by Missio.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our warmest congratulations to Hugo Charles Langton Mackness, son of Duncan & Tabitha and Fredrick George Dury, son of Adam & Rachael, both of whom we welcomed in to the Catholic Church last weekend at the sacrament of Baptism. We wish them and their families every blessing as they begin their new life in Christ.

DINNER DANCE

Saturday 21 November Harpenden Golf Club.

it would be great to reach 100 and remember all profit goes to the DWG project, see notice board. So come on, if you haven't yet booked your family and friends table or individual tickets do so today please by emailing denniscooper238@btinternet.com or leave a message on 761371

AUTUMN AT THE NILAND CENTRE

In collaboration with the Agency for Evangelisation, two new courses: Scripture from Scratch and the Leadership Formation Workshops will be introduced this autumn. They will be held at Niland Centre at Rosary Priory, Bushey, Herts. WD23 4EE For details and registration visit www.nilandconferencecentre.co.uk/events or call 020 8950 4000

CATHOLIC SINGLES

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website www.catholicsingles.org.uk or email info@catholicsingles.org.uk

A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

The Passge – helping homeless people, will be holding a fundraising concert 'A Night Under the Stars' at the Royal Festival Hall on Tuesday, 27th October 2015 at 7.30pm. For details visit: www.anightunderthestars.co.uk or call The Passage fundraising team on 020 7592 1856