

### Masses and Intentions for this week

Saturday 11th	5.30pm	Bridget Mc Carthy
Sunday 12th	10.00am 6.30pm	Mary & Eddie Mc Michael People of the Parish
Monday 13th	9.15am	Service with Holy Communion
Tuesday 14th	9.15am	No Service Today
Wednesday 15th	9.15pm	Service with Holy Communion
Thursday 16th	6.00pm	No Service Today
Friday 17th	12.30pm	Service with Holy Communion
Saturday 18th	10.00am 5.30pm	Frances Waldron Una Whitbread Intentions
Sunday 19th	10.00am 6.30pm	Joy Criss People of the Parish

Morning prayer of the Church is said before 9.15am Mass.  
Confessions : Saturday 10.30 – 11.30am  
and after 5.30 pm Mass

**Last Sunday's Collection:** Envelopes £299.05.00; Loose £462.00;  
Standing Orders £575.00; Building Fund £37.00 ;  
TOTAL £1,373.05

**Information for online contributions:**  
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**SUNDAY 12 February 2012**  
**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
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### **Sunday's Word**

**First Reading: Leviticus 13: 1-2. 44.46.**

*God gives a code that ritually deals with disease, which in turn keeps open the eventual return of the suffering person to the community.*

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10: 31-11:1**

*Paul urges the Corinthians to be imitators of Christ.*

**Gospel: Mark 1: 40-45**

*Jesus heals a leper and restores him to the fullness in Israel's community.*

### **Please pray for the sick and housebound**

Especially for: Betty Brown, Mary Deasey, Mollie Durnin, June Edge,  
Anthony Feller, Nora Gallagher, Lucy Green, John Higton, Dorothy  
Jennings, Maureen Kinnon, Christine Liberda, Lucy Mazlowska,  
Claudina Rodriguez, Margaret Scicluna, Beth Selwood, Isabelle  
Simpson, Fran Smythe, Anne Travers, Stephen Wright, Margaret  
Maynard, Don Eglington, Ann Buxton, Kathleen Maughan, Toby Leo  
Palmer, Angela Fung and Brian Howarth.

### Bit In The Middle

In the past year I have visited many parishes where the priest is a convert cleric. I have been moved to see the great work these men are doing and way they have settled into their new roles. One who has been ordained for many years told me: 'we couldn't have done it without the St Barnabas Society'; a beautiful testimony to the importance of our work. The Society of course has no position over the Catholic ordination of convert clerics, which is purely a matter for our bishops, but we are always very pleased to encounter individuals progressing to the priesthood and doing well in that role. For all of us, our sense of what we should be doing or where we should be in life may come into conflict with what our faith requires of us. My great hero is St Thomas More; I often reflect on the immensity of his sacrifice, a man who had the world at his feet – but he gave it all up for the sake of witnessing to the fundamental importance of England's relationship to the Holy Father. At the Feast day of St Gregory the Great, I am reminded of how much of our Christian inheritance in this country we owe to the missionary St Augustine of Canterbury – and who sent him to us? A pope, St Gregory the Great. Our faith came to us from Rome, why do so many harden their hearts against Rome? Part of the answer is that in the face of the call to surrender the thing that is most prized, logic often goes out of the window. Only grace can conquer this.

*Dr Cyprian Blamires*

Friends of the Holy Land: A Presentation of what is happening to Christians in the Holy Land today will be delivered by Peter Rand, Friends of the Holy Land representative, in our church on the 24 February at 7.30pm. We will have a chance to see most up to date images of the sites and people, together with the real stories they have to tell us. All are warmly welcome.

Deacon Hugh Anscombe: Deacon Hugh and his wife, Margaret, have recently moved from Swindon to live in the Caversham area, and we welcome them to our Parish. Deacon Hugh will introduce himself to us whilst preaching at each Mass this coming weekend, and will be joining Fr Giles and Deacon Mike as one of our clergy.

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.catholicssingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicssingles.org.uk) or email [info@catholicssingles.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicssingles.org.uk)

Soup Lunches: Unfortunately we will have to suspend the soup lunches from February until June. Helen & Paul will be going away and the other volunteers are unable to host them. However, there will be lunch before they go, on the 10 February.

Gift Aid Donations: If you are a GA donor please keep us updated about your current address and tax status; otherwise we cannot claim tax back. Any changes need to be passed to our Parish Office: [st.anne@virgin.net](mailto:st.anne@virgin.net). If you would like your contributions to be Gift Aid'ed please let us know.

Woodley Jumbulance Group: The Jumbulance will leave from Woodley on Sunday 19th August and return on Sunday 26th. We will be staying in the 4\* Hotel De Ripjer Eilanden, which is north of Amsterdam. If you are interested please contact one of the following: John Gill 0118 9694769 : Marie O'Gorman 0118 9691927; Anne MacDonald 0118 9585841.

Lent House Masses. If you would like a House Mass in Lent please let me know, suggesting a date and time. These have proved a very popular part of our Lenten Discipline over the last few years.

Mindfulness Meditation: Are you having problems with stress, anxiety, pain, depression or addiction? 8 weekly Mindfulness Meditation workshops will begin on Tues, 14th Feb., 1-3.p.m. at Church House, 59 Church Street, Caversham RG4 8AX - Mike Sarson 0118 9623332; [info@east-westdetox.org.uk](mailto:info@east-westdetox.org.uk)

New Charity Shop seeks mature Christian with retail experience: To support vital work and help it grow, Prospects will be opening its first Charity shop in Reading. We are looking for a full time experienced retail manager to pioneer this project. More information on the notice board.

Nominate a Student for a Community Award: Know of any Reading University students who give up their spare time to help others in your local community? Nominate them for the chance to win up to £250. See [tinyurl.com/SCA012](http://tinyurl.com/SCA012) or phone Ann on 0118 378 4479 for more info. Closing date: 25<sup>th</sup> March.

Interfaith Dialogue: Mon, 5th March at 7.30pm in English Martyrs. Archbishop Kevin McDonald will speak on the importance of dialogue between the religions. Katharina Muller, Advisor to the Bishops, will speak on practical experiences of Interfaith in other dioceses. An event not to be missed. All are welcome.

Flat for renting: 1 bedroom flat newly built and fully refurbished. Two minutes walking distance from the town centre and train station. If any persons who attend the church are interested in renting it, please could they contact Troy on 0785 4416 679, or email him at [tip-top-fitness@hotmail.com](mailto:tip-top-fitness@hotmail.com) to discuss further information.