

ST. BONAVENTURE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Trinity Sunday 18th May 2008

It is with great joy that we gather on this Solemnity of the Holy Trinity. Today we recall the love shared among Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are drawn into the spiral of that love and are summoned to share this divine life with those we meet.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

Dan 3: 52-56

To you glory and praise for evermore.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

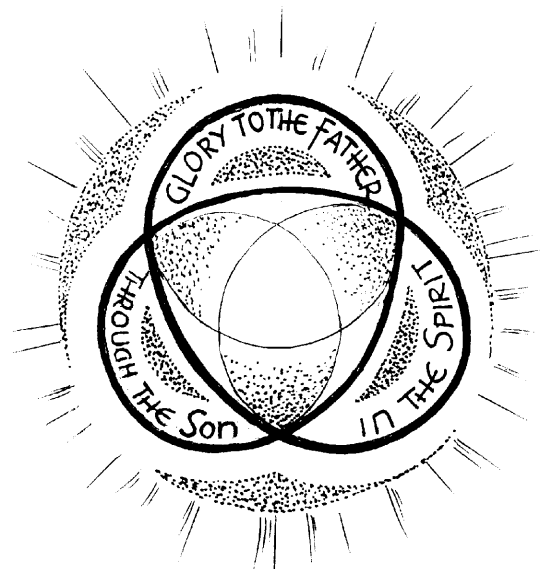
Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is,
who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You are the sons of God, so God has given you
the Spirit of his Son to form your hearts
and make you cry out: Abba Father.



My dear Parishioners and Visitors,

WELCOME I extend a very warm welcome to everyone. If you have recently moved into the parish, or have started coming to Mass here, please do introduce yourselves to me or Father Joe after Mass.

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday	20th	St. Bernadine of Sienna
Wednesday	21st	SS Christopher Magallanes & Companions (Martyrs)
Thursday	22nd	St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

ALINE WOOD R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Aline Wood R.I.P. who died suddenly last weekend. Aline was an active parishioner here for many years, having been an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, a member of the SVP, hospitality group, and the church cleaning team. Aline was a very good friend to many and will be sadly missed. We offer our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends. Reception of the body takes place at 8pm on Tuesday 27th May and the Funeral Mass is at 10am on Wednesday 28th May. May Aline rest in peace.

NEXT SUNDAY Next Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Our Lord. Renewal of Eucharistic Ministers will take place at each Mass. If you are a Eucharistic Minister and are unable to attend please inform Peter Bell on 325512 or leave a message in the office.

FOCOLARE MOVEMENT The members of the Focolare Movement invite you to join them at a Mass of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Chiara Lubich this Monday, 19th May at 7.00pm in The Focolare Centre for Unity, 69 Parkway. Celebrant: Bishop George Stack.

LOURDES FUNDRAISING There are still a few people who haven't yet paid their money. Please place your donation in an envelope (there are some at the back of the church) and put it through the presbytery letter box. Thank you.

SAINSBURY AND TESCO SCHOOL VOUCHERS Keep bringing the vouchers in, thank you.

CHILDREN'S TUESDAY GROUP This Tuesday the 3-7's groups meet again. All welcome. 3.45pm.

USED STAMPS Don't throw your used postage stamps in the bin, they can be used to help the missions. Bring them to church and put them in the basket provided. We shall pass them on to Holy Family CAFOD group.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS Please pray for all the children in our three parishes in Welwyn Garden City who are about to receive Holy Communion for the first time. St. Bonaventure's children have their Mass at 12 noon on Sunday 15th June, Holy Family have a Holy Communion Mass this Sunday, and in Our Lady's parish the children have their Mass at 2pm on 29th June. Photos of our First Communion children will be on the noticeboard by next weekend.

'THE LIFE OF CHRIST' - Sunday 29th June 2008. Now in its tenth year, this magnificent, five-hour, open-air play in three acts, will be staged again this summer at the Wintershall Estate in Surrey, possibly for the last time. A coach trip has been organised, by Our Lady's Parish for Sunday, 29th June, departing from Welwyn Garden City at 7.45am and returning by about 6pm. Cost is £25 for adults and £17.50 for under-18s. More details on leaflets at back of church. To book, phone Sandy McKay on 01438 718525 or Norman Merry on 01707 326089.

APF AND MILL HILL RETURNS for 2007 Last year the Red boxes (used by some of our parishioners) and the standing orders came to £1,163. Many thanks to all who contributed. The total raised by the Diocese of Westminster was £220,363 and the overall figure for England and Wales was £3,153,687. The APF is the missionary arm of the Catholic Church and is known throughout the third world for its compassionate care of people in Africa and Asia. One comment from the bishop of Yei, Sudan was that whilst other agencies come and go, the APF is the one body that stays for the long haul, year after year. Do take time to look at the posters on the pillars at the back of the church, you will then see where all this money goes. There is also a list of all the Mission martyrs of 2007, please remember them in your prayers. Perhaps you may wish to consider having a red collection box or giving a donation once a year. For further information please phone Mavis Cleasby on 01707 330830.

THE HUMAN FERTILISATION AND EMBRYOLOGY BILL For those of you who didn't fill in one of the postcards 'Now is the time to draw the line', (which were available for 4 weeks in February and March,) indicating your concerns about the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Bill there are some cards at the back of the church. All you need to do is put on a stamp, your MP's name, and your details. Please do not fill in another card if you did so before. Thank you.

CHURCH CLEANING We now have one new team of three young mums to help with the cleaning. Maybe you and a friend could make up another team, there is a list at the back of the church for your name if you feel you could help. Thank you.

BIBLE ALIVE The June edition of this magazine is available at the back of church.

*May God bless you all,
Father Bill*

SERVICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 18TH MAY

18 Sunday 8am Mary Lorimer (lately dead)
 10.30am Tommy Kenny (aged 10yrs, 1st anniversary)

Weekdays

19 Monday 9am Eucharistic Service
20 Tuesday 9am Thanksgiving
21 Wednesday 9am Aline Wood (lately dead)
22 Thursday 9am People of the Parish
23 Friday 9am Aline Wood (lately dead)
24 Saturday 10am Paddy O'Connell (lately dead)

25 Sunday 8am Thanksgiving
 10.30am Lorina Murphy (lately dead)

Please note: There is Mass at 7pm every Sunday in Holy Family Church

Morning Prayer of the Church begins 15 minutes before Mass on each weekday.
The Rosary is recited on Wednesdays and Fridays after Mass.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT First Friday of the month
from 9.30am concluding with **BENEDICTION** at 12noon.

CONFESSIONS Saturdays 10.30am - 11am.

READINGS FOR TODAY'S MASS Page 28(25) of the Mass Book.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Bridget Gardiner, Phelim O'Neil, Austin Beck, Fr. Bill, Anna Ratcliffe, Theresa Head, Howard Archer, John Saunders, Catherine Conroy, Debrae Betts, Colin Wright, Susan Hughes, Kathleen Campbell, Teresa Mitchell, Charlie Botwright, Maureen Botwright, Phyllis Coughlan, Meg Ansell, Marjorie Davis, Peter Conroy, Nora O'Loughlin, Pat Wells, Ted Evans, Ruth Bauer-Flynn, Mollie Brennan, Patrick Burke, Ruth Williams, James May, Keith Kerrison, Mrs Power, Peter Ferguson, Kitty Stephens, and all the sick amongst our personal friends and relations, those in the Q.E. II hospital and all who are in need of our prayers.

LATELY DEAD Please pray for Aline Wood. May she rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES Please remember Molly Legg, Judith Hemans, John Mead, Teresa Milligan, William Bradley, Kenneth John Howard, and all those who have no one to pray for them.

<p>CHAPLAIN TO THE Q.E.II HOSPITAL: If you are going into hospital you can contact the R.C. Chaplain, Mrs Bernadette Cassidy, on 07623 897178.</p>
