

BAND NIGHT AT ST. MARY'S: The Hathern Band will be giving a concert in Church today. Raffle, refreshments. All proceeds to Kwediboma. Start time: **7.30pm**. Tickets £6 from the UCM or at the door.

GET-TOGETHERS POSTPONED: Because of the number of meetings this month and next, and the unavailability of a number of people, it has been decided to postpone the Thursday evening events for parishioners involved in various ministries on **11 September and 9 & 11 October**. They will be rescheduled for later in the year.

SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN (SPUC) Our local branch has recently lost two valuable committee members, one of whom has been transferred by her firm to Cumbria and the other has left the area. There are only 8 of us on the committee and Lena, who has been transferred to Cumbria, was our secretary. If anyone has a heart for the protection of the unborn children of this country and feels that they could help on the committee I should be most grateful. Please contact me, Arthur Clarke, Chairman, either on 01509 769594 or arthur_clarke16@tiscali.co.uk

HOPE - Parents' and Carers' Support Group for anyone affected by someone else's addiction: Meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month. This month's meeting will be at **7.00pm** in the Front Room of the Presbytery on **Wednesday, 24th September**. Confidential support is also available on 07979 520805. Don't suffer alone.

THE PARABLES OF JESUS: Discover the Catholic tradition by reflecting on the teaching of Jesus in the Parables. Join our small, friendly Scripture and Tradition Group which meets again this **Tuesday 16th September** at 7.30pm in the library for just an hour.

SAWUBONA (We see you – this greeting is also seen as an invitation to a deep witnessing and presence): Each day many babies in South Africa are abandoned. Pastors Colin and Fay Lagerwall run a church in Newcastle, KwaZulu-Natal where there is a hall that is to be converted into a nursery for the babies. Can you help through contributing to the cost? Every baby deserves the opportunity to live. Please see our noticeboard for ways to give.

PARISH SKI TRIP: Interested in improving your ski and snowboarding technique? Anybody of intermediate standard or above is welcome to apply to take part in a **Technical Training Ski / Snowboard course in Meribel from 21st to 28th March 2015**. Package Price £900. Course run by *Snow Skool*. For more information, contact Fr. Philip.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL: Hopefully you've all been keeping your empty shoeboxes ready to fill them with small gifts for the children we support each year. It's time to start collecting those small gifts in preparation to fill a box. There will soon be leaflets at the back of the church and knitting patterns for those who like to knit hats, gloves or teddies. If you would like to donate wool, or gifts or just have queries, please contact Sue Davies by email: sesd@ntlworld.com or phone 01509 558537 in the evenings.

HARVEST PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH: **Sunday 28th September** 12.30pm. £7 adults, £3.50 children, £20 family. Tickets on sale after all Masses this weekend.



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Newsletter for Sunday 14th September 2014

Twenty Fourth Week of Ordinary Time (A)

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Sunday 28 September** Harvest lunch - 12.30pm in the hall
- Thursday 2 October** Parish AGM - 7pm in the hall
- Wednesday 8 October** Eucharistic Ministers' meeting - 7pm in the hall (Meetings of other ministries to be scheduled for January 2015)
- Sunday 12 October** Parish Voice 5th Anniversary celebration - 12pm, in the hall
- Sunday 26 October** Christian Aid lunch - 12.30pm in the hall
- Friday 14 November** Mass for the Bereaved - 7pm
- Saturday 22 November** Christmas Fayre - 11am-3pm in the hall
- Sunday 21 December** Christmas Carol Service - 4pm in church

LAST WEEK'S FINANCE (07.09.14)

First collection: £675	Second collection (maintenance): £252
Standing orders: £530	<i>Thank you</i>

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

<u>Sat</u>	13 th	9.15am 5.30-6pm 6.00pm	Richard Hennesey - intentions <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request</i> All Parishioners
<u>Sun</u>	<u>The Triumph (Exaltation) of the Holy Cross (Feast)</u> <u>Racial Justice Day</u>		
	14 th	9.00am 10.30-11 11.00am 12.45pm 2.00pm 4.00pm 6.00pm	Venancio Castillo Sr. RIP (Anniversary) <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request</i> Thanksgiving for Parish Voice Polish Mass <i>Baptism of Nayara Cardoso</i> Italian Mass Eucharistic Adoration
<u>Mon</u>	15 th	9.15am 12.00pm	Frank Belt <i>Funeral of Margaret Mary Cimelli</i>
<u>Tues</u>	16 th	9.15am	Mary Flanagan - intention
<u>Wed</u>	17 th	9.15am	Intentions of the Hunt family
<u>Thurs</u>	18 th	9.15am	Santhiran RIP
<u>Fri</u>	19 th	6.00pm	Fr John Doman
<u>Sat</u>	20 th	9.15am 6.00pm	Dorothy Ginns RIP Umberto Fabricatore RIP (Anniversary)

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

<u>Sun</u>	14 th	7.30pm	The Hathern Band - Church
<u>Wed</u>	17 th	2-4.00pm 6 - 9.30	Senior Citizens - Church Hall Scouts - Church Hall
<u>Thurs</u>	18 th	7.00pm	Presentation on Priests' Retirement Appeal - Hall

Please note that in future there will be a 7pm Mass on holydays of obligation that occur in the week.

PLEASE PRAY FOR those who are sick: Margaret Woodhouse, Frank Chatonda, Yolande Sedbon, Beverley Tomlin, Alan and Judith Creighton, Stephanie Offiler, Julie Priddy, Eileen Sutton, Rosinah, Marion Scrivens, David Hart, Eileen Scott, Freddy Hess, Fr John Doman, Gerry O'Rourke, Bob Minogue, Jane Moss, Steven Bouldis, Mark and Rae Hagan

those who have recently died: Margaret Cimelli & Lloyd Skelton. **May they rest in peace.**

those whose anniversaries occur this month: Venancio Castillo, Margaret Mills, Ambrosine Faulks, Patricia Blackwell, Carmela Dakin and Giuseppe Bianco.

FR. PHILIP will be away on **16th & 17th September** and **20th - 24th September.**

HARVEST FESTIVAL: Contributions of fruit and vegetables for our festival display would be welcomed. Please leave them in the presbytery kitchen on Weds 24th, Thurs 25th or before 12pm on Friday 26th. The proceeds will be donated to the Carpenter's Arms.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER CHARLES: I would like to thank all the parishioners who so generously helped me celebrate my birthday, especially those who provided the food for the party, the lady who made the cake and all of you who gave me cards and presents.

DIOCESE/ROSMINIAN RETIRED PRIESTS' APPEAL: This Appeal is both challenging and necessary. The presentations within the Parish on this joint Appeal will take place at 7.00pm on **18th and 25th September 2014** in the Church Hall. If you did not have an opportunity to complete a contact form in June, and have therefore not received an invitation from the Appeal Office, but would like to learn more by attending one of the presentations, please contact Louise in the Parish Office on 01509 262123, or Kieron Shaw, the Treasurer, on 01509 215305.

PARISH VOICE MAGAZINE: The Parish Voice Team would be grateful for any items of interest from any age group for the Autumn Issue of the Parish Voice. Articles, comments, photos, poems, recipes etc. are all welcome, especially from new contributors. Please email office@stmarysloughborough.org.uk with subject 'Parish Voice' or deliver in an envelope marked 'Parish Voice' to the Parish Office. Deadline for items tomorrow, **Monday 15th September.**

CAFOD: A day for all those interested in learning about CAFOD's work and the launch of their new campaign 'One Climate, One World'. **Saturday 20th September** 10.00am-4.00pm. St Wilfrid of York, Church Hall, London Road, Coalville, LE67 3JB. Shared table lunch - please bring a contribution. Contact details on our noticeboard at the back of the church.

THE PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will take place on **Thursday, 7 October** in the hall. This is an opportunity for all parishioners to hear a summary of parish group/ministry and parish council activities from the year, as well as to elect new members of the parish team. Nomination forms at the back of church. There will also be a finance report, reviewing the past year and future plans. If you are interested in parish life then please do come along. Refreshments will be provided.

Reports will be needed from those parish groups willing to contribute again. If you sent one last year all you need to do is to update it. Ask a member of the PPC for details. Deadline for submission - **22 September.** This is your opportunity to get more people involved in your activities/ministry.

NEW MEMBERS FOR THE PPC: Are you willing to join the team to help get things done in the parish? Your commitment will be to attend at least 8 of the 11 yearly meetings as well as a Saturday planning & reflection day and to attend as many parish events as you can. But most of all we need people who will use their gifts and talents to make this the caring and dynamic community that we all wish to be part of. If you are interested speak to a member of the PPC or one of our priests.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING: **Saturday 27th September**, 10.30am-12noon, at 9 Fairmount Drive, Loughborough, LE11 3JR. Lots of cakes, everyone welcome! Call Liz Abell on 07980 021916, or just turn up.

CONGRATULATIONS to Clare and Steven South on the birth of their daughter May Elizabeth