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## **16th Sunday of the year**

### **18 July 2010**

#### **1st reading: Genesis 18:1-10**

Abraham welcomes three visitors to his tent and receives the blessing of the Lord.

#### **2nd reading: Colossians 1:24-28**

Paul explains God's purpose to gather the whole world in Christ Jesus.

#### **Gospel: Luke 10:38-42**

Jesus visits the home of Martha and Mary.

#### **11 am Sunday Mass Settings**

Gloria: 406 Sanctus: 433 Acclamation: 435 Agnus Dei: 454

## How bad can a slump get?

For many people in a slump life goes on much as before. For others it is very hard to get started with 70 graduates looking for one job and for others things spiral out of control as they lose job and maybe home. There is in general a need to help one another but we are not yet at soup kitchens for Great Missenden or Wendover, I think.

Fr Lonergan's idea, penned in 1943, is that capital formation improves and allows a greater output. More holidays, more meals out, more evening classes etc etc become possible but, for current income to purchasers to be able to make this greater demand, prices need to fall. With a lower price level output sold can increase and employment can rise.

Our situation is complicated by the fact that government has grown too big so it has been getting very heavily into debt. With unemployment set to increase government debt may well increase much further so measures have to be taken. VAT is to go up to increase government revenues. This will tend to raise rather than lower the price level.

There has been a get rich quick mentality affecting not just MPs or bankers but nearly everyone – focussing, in an inflationary economy, around house properties. So before the present crisis began I read that households were on average going into debt by £100 each week or £5000 a year. This was worldly wise because house prices were rising.

I think part of the problem here was that inflation was part of the system – 2% a year was seen as quite acceptable – but such a rate of inflation undermines the value of financial

saving. People felt they were likely to lose money if they bought a financial asset and make it if they bought a house, even if this meant going into debt. The remedy here would be to aim at a stable value for our currency.

The three problems – increased productive capacity, government indebtedness and inflation need to be distinctly understood and distinctly dealt with for an improved situation to emerge.

The Hebrew idea of Shalom included the idea of each family having its own place and property free of debt. As an ideal – which probably did not happen – every 50 years there should be a Jubilee, with all debts being remitted. The ground of Shalom – peace – was seen to be the love of husband and wife and so family life. Here is a way into a better future we can all think about and take action.

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### **Prayer Intentions**

**Anniversaries:** In the coming week we remember the following who have died.

**At IHM** Paula Trost, Hugh Percival, Mary Cooper, Jack Cattle, William Kidley, Barbara Spurdle, Eileen Harrap.

**At St Anne's** Jenny Matthey, Raymond Nilsen.

**Seasonal Intentions:** During this season we are asked to pray for the following intentions.

Christian/Jewish relations, esp on 9 August (St Benedicta);

Victims of Persecution/Oppression Europe, esp on 23 July, 9 August;

Human life, esp on 25 July; Seafarers.

# Parish News

## **Papal Visit 16-19 September**

We will be praying the Official Prayer at the end of each Mass and Service of Word & Communion immediately before the Blessing.

We'll all need to be prepared to witness to our faith by answering questions from people in every walk of life as the Papal Visit approaches. There are some great resources available to help us and more coming soon. Fr Chris McAneny will speak in Damien Hall at 8 pm on Monday 6 September. The blue A5 booklet 'The Pope in the UK: Heart speaks unto heart' gives comprehensive answers to some simple questions about the visit itself, the call of faith and its unfolding in daily life and the role of the Catholic Church. It includes 10 questions, ranging from why the Pope is meeting the Queen to the contribution of the Catholic Church to British society and why the Pope will be beatifying Cardinal Newman. Also available online at <http://www.thepapalvisit.org.uk>  
More information from Joanna .

## **Hyde Park Vigil Sat 18 September**

We have been allocated 64 places at the Hyde Park Vigil. If you (IHM or St Anne's) would like to come, please contact Joanna Hale by the end of this month. If more than 64 are interested, we shall have to have a draw of some sort. TVR

**Philosophy**—we meet on Tuesday at 8 pm in Damien House. TVR

**There will be no Benediction this coming Thursday evening.** The schedule on the back page was printed before this was decided.

## **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

Sun 18 July will be the last session for Children's liturgy of the word till September. We are grateful to those who help in this valuable ministry to our children, weekly at 11 o'clock Mass. We would welcome more volunteers to the group. If you could offer your help please contact me or speak to me after Mass. No experience is required and support will be provided if needed.

## **Official Prayer for the Pope's visit**

God of truth and love,  
your Son, Jesus Christ, stands as the light  
to all who seek you with a sincere heart.  
As we strive with your grace  
to be faithful in word and deed,  
may we reflect the kindly light of Christ  
and offer a witness of hope and peace to all.  
We pray for Pope Benedict  
and look forward with joy  
to his forthcoming visit to our countries.  
May he be a witness to the unity and hope  
which is your will for all people.  
We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.  
Our Lady, Mother of the Church — pray for us.  
St Andrew — pray for us.  
St George — pray for us.  
St David — pray for us.

### **Wednesday morning Bric-a-brac**

Thank you for your support over the past year. We will be sending a cheque to Mozambique in the next few weeks – details later. We are now taking a break for the summer till 15 Sept. Look forward to seeing you then. AB & JW

### **Bingo at Great Missenden**

It's SVP Bingo on Sun 18 July at 3 pm in Damien Hall, followed by a cup of tea & a cake. If you would like to attend, please contact Diana Dove, Keyna Godward or any member of the SVP Society. Everyone is welcome. Transport will be provided if required.

### **Newsletter Items**

✉ leave at the Presbytery (address on front cover)

**Please note deadline 12 noon Thursdays**

## **Wendover Support Group (WSG)**

A huge amount of support is available to those affected by the recession on the internet. WSG is providing access to computers and the internet starting on Wednesday 21st July. This will be from 2 to 3.30 pm each Wednesday at the Wendover Christian Centre. If you know someone who might find this helpful, please let them know. If you would like to go on a rota to support this activity please contact John Shaw.

## **Lighthouse will soon be upon us, and we are still in need of your help!**

**CAFE** - the cafe serves delicious cakes during Lighthouse Week - and we hope to do the same this year. So we need cakes, any size or flavour, and a supply throughout the week. If possible take straight to the cafe on the day or alternatively your cake could be collected.

**Saturday entertainment.** Tickets for these two main fund raising events are available now - from Pam Sitford or from Sarah.

We are looking **accommodation** for Joe Fisher on the night of Saturday 24 July - if anyone is able to help with this, again please contact either Sarah or Pam Sitford.

**CRAFT:** we need some large cereal boxes and washing up liquid bottles.

Pam Sitford

## **Sunday Tea and Coffee**

Wendover Christian Centre after 9.15am Mass at Wendover  
Damien Hall after 11am Mass in Great Missenden

Do come along and meet your fellow parishioners  
Visitors are most welcome

## St Anne's Hall

I am happy to report that all major works will have been completed by the end of July within our initial available funding and that we plan to open for hire from the start of September. One Sunday early in August we will open the Hall after Mass so that parishioners can take a decent look inside. But this is far from the end of the story!! Apart from sorting out the administrative arrangements for the ongoing operation, there is still a lot to do to before we can claim that the renovation is truly complete. A few examples; floor covering for the toilets and the kitchen, decking and steps outside the French doors, roller blinds for the windows, replacement furniture, removal of the old oil storage tank etc etc.

So we are back on the fund raising trail! First up in a series of events is a Summer Garden Party on Saturday 31 July, from 4 to 7 pm in the superb garden (two acres mostly lawn with the village stream running through) of The Red House next to Barclays Bank in the centre of Wendover; tickets £10 from the Clock Tower or Marguerite Spain. And this is more than just a nice party for fund-raising! It is the celebration of the return of the Hall to active service within the community. I look forward to seeing St Anne's turn out in strength to make it a really memorable occasion. Mike Spain

### Hall Bookings

Damien Hall                      Keyna Godward

W Christian Centre   Sue Abbott

# This week's services

	Immaculate Heart of Mary Great Missenden	St Anne's Wendover
Mon 19 July	<b>8 am MASS (Polish)</b> 9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer <b>9.30 am MASS</b>	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer 10.15am Service of Word & Communion & Rosary
Tue 20 July St Apollinaris	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer <b>9.30 am MASS</b>	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer 10.15am Service of Word & Communion & Rosary
Wed 21 July St Lawrence of Brindisi op mem	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer <b>9.30 am MASS</b>	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer
Thu 22 July St Mary Magdalene	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am Service of Word & Communion 7.30 pm Prayer and Benediction	<b>10.15am MASS &amp; Rosary</b>
Fri 23 July ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am Service of Word & Communion	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer <b>10.15am MASS &amp; Rosary</b> 7 pm Vespers & Benediction
Sat 24 July St Sharbel Makhluaf op mem	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am Service of Word & Communion 10 am Confession <b>6 pm MASS</b>	11 am Confession
Sun 25 July 17th Sunday of the year	<b>11 am MASS</b> <b>12.30 pm MASS (Polish)</b>	<b>9.15 am MASS</b>