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## **2nd Sunday of the year 17 January 2010**

### **1st reading: Isaiah 62:1-5**

The Lord rejoices in Israel as his bride.

### **2nd reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11**

The one Spirit gives different gifts to different people.

### **Gospel: John 2:1-11**

The first of the signs given by Jesus when he changed water into wine at Cana.

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

Sanctus: 433 Acclamation: 434 Agnus Dei: 454

# Shalom, peace

This Sunday the Church in England and Wales prays for peace – with God, with each other and with creation around us. Pope Benedict calls for integral human development and a growing respect for creation. He contrasts a world of growing environmental degradation and violence engendered by desperation. Treating creation in the right way is a path to peace.

If you have integral human development you can have human population growing and the world becoming freer from pollution and destruction of resources and forests – but life style needs to change, our working, our consuming: "the quest for truth, beauty, goodness and communion with others for the sake of common growth are the factors which determine consumer choices, savings and investments". "Every economic choice has a moral consequence". He sees part of the scenario to be achieved as "a progressive disarmament and a world free of nuclear weapons whose presence alone threatens the life of the planet and the ongoing integral development of the present generation and of generations yet to come". The Holy Father writes of climate change but I do not think uses the term global warming.

I find myself thinking back to the brown paper bag in which one used to buy nearly everything whereas now nearly everything is wrapped in plastic. I wonder if this is the sort of thing meant by "the human framework is no longer under man's control thus creating an environment for tomorrow which may well be intolerable". Are bankers' bonuses part of "a hu-

man framework no longer under man's control"? or mega corporations more powerful than nations raping the earth for resources? Pope Paul VI, from whom the quote comes refers to this as " a wide ranging social problem which concerns the whole human family".

It was Pope John Paul II who introduced the term "solidarity" – in Poland of course – but perhaps "solidarity" is a sort of common sensibility, intelligence and concern by which man can face problems which seem greater than any organisation can deal with. The heart of such solidarity must be love which gives willingness even to make personal sacrifices.

Mother Theresa was told by someone, "all I can do is a drop in the ocean" and she replied, "yes, but the ocean is made up of drops!"

TVR

### **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

# Parish News

## **Second collection: Haiti**

We will have a collection this weekend to help the victims of earthquake. I will send the money via Cafod. TVR

## **Wendover break in**

The police were called when a thief broke into the tabernacle at Wendover. They think the thief was attracted by the metal. The thief went off with the ciborium and lunette. Let us pray if possible everything will be restored.

I will offer a Mass of thanksgiving for the gift of the Eucharist on Monday at 11 am at Wendover. TVR

## **The Bishop and our Deanery**

The Bishop is coming to say Mass here this Tuesday at 7 pm. There will be brief opportunity to meet him after Mass after which he will meet with the Deanery steering group. Please note, we shall not have the usual 9.30 am Mass that day. TVR

**Confirmation** Please pray for the young people preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will meet in Damien Hall on 17 January from 5.30 to 7 pm. Contact Joanna Hale for more details.

**Liturgy Group** will meet this coming Wednesday 20 Jan, at 8 pm in Damien Hall. Liz Clark

## **Prayer Intentions**

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

**At IHM** on 18 Jan Joe & Peggy Davis, Kathy Keane, Eddie Davis, 19 Arthur Maguire, Kathleen Glenn, 21 Isabelle Kennedy.

**At St Anne's** on 17 Jan Rosamund Burnett, John Wyatt, 19 Pamela Brigg, Christine Nobber, 20 Mary-Rose Blinman, 21 George Powell.

**Seasonal Intentions:** During this period of Ordinary Time, we are asked to pray for these intentions:

Peace on earth, esp on Sun 17 Jan;

Christian unity, esp during the octave 18-25 Jan;

Children, students & teachers, esp on Sun 31 Jan;

The unemployed, esp on Sun 14 Feb;

The sick & their carers, esp on 11 Feb.

## **First Communion and Reconciliation**

The children's session for Immaculate Heart of Mary are now running on Saturday evenings at 5 pm finishing before 6 pm Mass. Please pray for the children and their families. Contact Joanna Hale if you'd like more information.

## **The poster "At the Heart of the Thriving Catholic Community"**

& a questionnaire about the 12 signs on the poster are available for all at IHM and St Anne's. Thank you to those who have already returned their questionnaires.

A 15-minute DVD showing Clergy & laity around our diocese voicing their observations about life in their parishes in relation to the 12 signs may interest those who have not yet responded. It will be shown after Mass on Sat 23 and Sun 24 Jan at IHM. Bishop Peter urges us to gather, to discuss the information on the poster & relate back via the questionnaire our own reflections. This is our opportunity to identify our hopes and aspirations.

**Parish quiz night** Sat 6 Feb—£7.50, inc fish & chip supper. Please supply your own drink & glass. Tickets from members of the Social Group. All tables seat 8. Keyna Godward

**Piano concert** Alexander Ardakov, for Friends of the Belarusian Children's Hospice. Sat 6 March, 8 pm at Chal-loner's High School, Little Chalfont. Programme to be announced shortly. Tickets £15; students & retired £10. To book tickets, please ring Daryl Ann Hardman; Antoinette Ferraro.

## **Churches Together in Great Mis-senden**

As part of the Lenten programme we have Bishop Peter and David Winter visiting us at IHM. Topics to be confirmed, but note the dates.

Bishop Peter - Wed 24 February

David Winter - Wed 3 March

## **Anne Roberts Foundation of Hope for Children**

Many thanks to Father Timothy, the parish and all who supported the Christmas Fayre for the generous donation of £446.41

Anna Gorchakova's recent visit confirmed that the generous donation is both welcome and timely.

2) Forthcoming events

**Saturday 20 February** - Quiz Night @ Oldham Hall. Tickets £12.50 including hot supper - from Maurice -

**Saturday 17 April:** The return of the Welsh choir - further details to follow.

## **Newsletter Items**

✉ leave at the Presbytery (address on front cover)

**Please note deadline 12 noon Thursdays**

### **Workaid's thanks**

Everyone at Workaid sends their thanks for the gift from the parish of £893, being proceeds of the Christmas Fayre. May you all enjoy a very happy and healthy New Year. Peter Harper

### **Christian Aid in Wendover**

St Anne's need another Christian Aid rep to help Diane Marston with this valuable work. If you would like to witness a meeting with no obligation, please contact Jane Larkham.

### **Ten years of Christian Unity in Wendover**

10.30 am Sunday 24 January, St Mary's

Although the churches in Wendover have been working and worshipping together for many decades, it is ten years since a covenant was signed with pledges to continue to work together and learn from one another, to be open and honest with one another and to pray for one another. This tenth anniversary will be marked in various creative ways throughout 2010 at services and events organised by Churches Together in Wendover. All are welcome at the first special service is on Sunday 24 January at St Mary's Church at 10.30 am. This occasion has been chosen for its significance in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Everyone is welcome to stay for coffee afterwards so that we can get to know one another better. Jane Larkham

### **Coping in a Crisis**

Saturday 30 January from 10 to 11 am

Following on from the first meeting on Saturday 16 January, there will be another meeting on Saturday 30 January. You are welcome to join us for coffee and croissant from 9.45 am with discussion from 10 to 11 am in Wendover Christian Centre on Aylesbury Road. The forum will explore how the Churches in Wendover might respond to issues of Unemployment, Redundancy and Debt and give practical support. Please tell your friends. We hope you can help us: we hope we can help you and the people you know. Revd. Canon Peter Louis (St Marys)

### **Induction of Heather McIntyre**

Saturday 30 January at 3 pm

Wendover Free Church would like to offer an open invitation to all our friends at St. Anne's to join us for the induction of our new Minister, Reverend Heather McIntyre. This will take place at 3 pm on Saturday 30 January, with refreshments afterwards in Wendover Christian Centre.

## Parish accounts

As requested at the recent Pastoral Council meeting I set out below the Parish balance sheet as at 31 March 2009 and the comparative figures for 31 March 2008.

Please note that the interest free loan from the Maurice and Hilda Laing Charitable Trust stands at £30,000 and must be repaid by 31 March 2011.

### IHM Balance Sheet

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Extension payments to date	744285	744285
Due from Diocese	2244	8471
Cash at bank	11581	2120
*Loans for the extension	<u>(352780)</u>	<u>(367780)</u>
Retained surplus	<u>405330</u>	<u>387096</u>
* A benefactor	272780	272780
* A parishioner	50000	50000
* MHLC Trust	<u>30000</u>	<u>45000</u>
	<u>352780</u>	<u>367780</u>

Peter Harper

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
Tues 19 Jan	7 pm	Bishop's visit—Mass at IHM
Sat 30 Jan	10 – 11am	Coping in a crisis—Wendover Christian Centre
Sat 6 Feb		Parish Quiz night at IHM
Sat 20 Feb		Quiz Oldham Hall, for Anne Roberts Foundation
Wed 24 Feb		Lent talk — Bishop Peter, IHM
Wed 3 Mar		Lent talk—David Winter
Sat 6 March	8 pm	Piano concert at Challoner's High School,

### 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
<b>Mon 18 Jan</b>	<b>8 am MASS (Polish)</b> 9 am Rosary 9.15am Morning Prayer 9.30am Service of Word & Communion	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer 10.15am Service of Word & Communion & Rosary
<b>Tue 19 Jan</b> <b>St Wulstan</b> <b>op mem</b>	9 am Rosary 9.15am Morning Prayer <b>7 pm MASS</b>	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer 10.15am Service of Word & Communion & Rosary
<b>Wed 20 Jan</b> <b>St Sebastian</b> <b>op mem</b>	9 am Rosary 9.15am Morning Prayer <b>9.30am MASS</b> <b>5 pm MASS &amp; Rosary (Polish)</b> 6.30 pm Holy half hour with exposition	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer
<b>Thu 21 Jan</b> <b>St Agnes</b>	9 am Rosary 9.15am Morning Prayer 9.30am Service of Word & Communion	<b>10.15am MASS &amp; Rosary</b>
<b>Fri 22 Jan</b> <b>St Vincent</b>	9 am Rosary 9.15am Morning Prayer 9.30am Service of Word & Communion	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer <b>10.15am MASS &amp; Rosary</b> 7 pm Vespers & Benediction
<b>Sat 23 Jan</b>	9 am Rosary 9.15am Morning Prayer 9.30am Service of Word & Communion 10 am Confession <b>6 pm MASS</b>	11 am Confession
<b>Sun 24 Jan</b> <b>3rd Sunday of the year</b>	<b>11 am MASS</b> <b>12.30pm MASS (Polish)</b>	<b>9.15am MASS</b>