

The Peace Hospice

Invite you to 'Lights of Love', the switching on of their Christmas tree lights on Wednesday 3rd December 7.30pm. Refreshments follow.

Dedication Forms which will be displayed on a wall of remembrance are available from the Parish Office

The Church's Year in Liturgy & Music: at Niland Conference Centre, Bushey. **Advent and Christmastide** Saturday 29th November from 2pm - 4.30pm. 0208 950 4000.

Vocation Discernment Group: Adults (18-30's) meet on Friday 28th November, 7-9pm in the Hinsley Room next to Westminster Cathedral. Fr Gianni Notarianni OSA on "**St Augustine for today**". For more information contact Fr Richard at richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk. This is the third session in our series of monthly talks over the next 15 months to mark the Year of Consecrated Life, exploring the rich charisms of different expressions of religious life within the Catholic tradition and how we can all be nourished by them today, whatever our vocational path. Recommended for all those thirsting for more in their lives of faith.

Part Time Teacher Required

In St Anthony's Catholic Primary School We are looking for an enthusiastic teacher to join our successful and friendly school from January 2015 or as soon as possible thereafter. Initially the job will be to provide PPA cover mainly in KS2. Application Forms available from Headteacher Mrs Pauline Wilson. Please telephone 01923 226987

Advent Day of Reflection and Prayer: On Tuesday, 9th December from 10.30am - 3.00pm at the Niland Conference Centre, Rosary Priory, 93 Elstree Road, Bushey Heath, WD23 4EE. (Coffee on Arrival from 10am) Please bring a packed lunch - Tea/Coffee will be provided. Suggested donation £12.

Holy Rood Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2015:

Departing Monday 25th May returning Saturday 30th May travelling by coach with overnight stops. Cost per person sharing a twin room £399. 10 year passport required. Non British citizens must check with French Embassy for passport and visa requirements. Should you wish to travel with us ask for a booking form at the office.

St Mary's Tuesday lunchtime concerts:

Starts from 1pm-2pm. This is a **free concert**. St Michael's School Musicians will play 2nd December.

Faith Matters series of talks: Does God Exist?

Arguments For and Against God Thursday 27th November
Vaughan House, 46, Francis Street, London from 7pm to 8.30pm. Please register at livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk or tel: 0207 931 6078.

Signed Mass: Next Sunday's 11am Mass will be a Mass with sign language at which members of the deaf community will be present.

Trip to Winchester Christmas Market - 3rd December: Leaving Watford approx 9am. Leaving Winchester 5pm. Cost £15. Deposit £10. For More details contact Sharon on 01923 221536.

Calling all "Facebook" users: When visiting "Facebook", please add "My Hospital Prayer and Activity Book" as a "like", to aid its publicity. This unique and original Catholic publication aims to help children pray if they are patients in hospital. All proceeds from the book go to "Seasons for Growth England & Wales", an education bereavement charity for children. **A Ceremony of Carols:** Tuesday 2nd December at 7.30pm (Doors open at 7.00pm) at Westminster Cathedral. Tickets £15 available from Westminster Cathedral Gift Shop.

Ascent Group: Will meet on Tuesday on Tuesday, 2nd December for a Bring and Share Festive Afternoon Tea. Everyone is welcome to join us in the Parish Centre after midday Mass. Please contact Winnie for more details about the menu, or for any other queries. We look forward to seeing you.

St Joan of Arc Catholic School: is hosting a Winter Ball on Friday 28th November at Fairway Inn Golf Club, Rickmansworth. All welcome. **Tickets £35 per person for a 3 course dinner and music to dance the night away** please email pfa@joa.herts.sch.uk.

Advent Calendars

Now on sale at the back of church in the repository. Plus many Christmas items.

Operation Rudolph: Once again, Christians Across Watford are asking for your time, money and prayers to help provide hampers to people facing a difficult Christmas. Could you sponsor a hamper - £30, help with assembling or delivering hampers on 4th December? More information at www.christiansacrosswatford.org/operationrudolph.

First Communion Parents : Are reminded that the first parents only meeting, for those children registered on the First Communion 2015 programme, is this Tuesday 25th November at 8.00pm in the Parish Centre.

Has Holy Rood Got Talent?

Come and see on Friday 5th December 7.30pm. Parish Centre Share your talent. Card trick, magic sing, dance, juggle, stitch, sew, make a special cake? play solitaire and always get one left in the middle? bring friends and family Free Admission and cake and biscuits bring some drinks to share For further details please phone 01923 230643.

Advent Concert: Featuring the London Oratory School Chamber Choir at the Sacred Heart Chapel on Horseferry Road, SW1P 2EF on **Tuesday 9th December at 6.30pm.** A wonderful mixture of seasonal music followed by warm mince pies and mulled wine at the Cardinal Hume Centre. Call 020 7222 1602 for more information.

Last Weekend's Collection:

Envelopes: £871.24

Loose: £1073.93

Standing Orders: £474.46.