

PARISH

Fr. William Dun-Dery

Returns to his own diocese of Damongo in Ghana this Saturday 1st August. We thank him for his presence with us and for the generous giving of his time and energy in assisting with the work of the parish. In return Fr. William expresses his appreciation of the welcome and hospitality provided to him during his stay. We wish Fr. William well and hope that he will return again to Holy Rood.

Repository: Copies of the Pope's encyclical, Laudato Si, are on sale in the repository, priced £4.95.

Catholic Truth Society: Do look at the selection of new booklets in the CTS rack alongside the repository.

Watford Foodbank Update - June 2015: The total parish contribution this year now stands at an impressive 375kg. Many thanks for your continuing wonderful generosity! If you like to contribute please refer to the notice board at the back of church for a list of suggested items and leave your donation in the large plastic box. Wouldn't it be fantastic if we could reach 1000kg by the end of the year!

Parish Camp: Holy Rood Parish Camp - Friday 21st August to Monday 24th August 2015.

Come for the weekend or visit for a day. For further information please phone 01923 230643.

Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bike 'n Hike: Saturday 12th September from 10am to 6pm.

Have fun visiting over 600 churches and chapels, raise funds for your local church or chapel and help save other churches in Beds and Herts. Contact telephone No. 01923 674410. Email: swabo@talktalk.net.

Fr Ivano has received a new appointment. He will be leaving Holy Rood Parish in September to become assistant priest in Brook Green, London. Fr Kim Addison, at present in Hounslow parish, has been appointed the new assistant priest in Holy Rood. He will arrive in September.

During August there will not be Adoration & Benediction before the 7pm Saturday evening Mass

Our 11am Music Group are now on summer break.

We trust it will be refreshing and restful for them.

Are you visiting us? Here on Holiday?

You are very welcome!

LOCAL EVENTS

Five Ways Friends presents "Party in the Park" at Cassiobury Park, Watford, on Thursday 30th July 2015 from 11am to 3pm. A FREE event and activities for all local Older People and Carers to celebrate International Friendship Day! Join us for a fun day of Music and dancing, arts and crafts, International food court, Relaxation tent, Activity area and much more!! To book your place! Call 01923 216967 or email: wellbeing@w3rt.org.

The Catholic Worker Farm is hosting: The Farm Folk Music Festival Weekend 2015 1st & 2nd August £6 entry per day, £20 overnight camping for the whole weekend (bring a tent!) at Lynsters Farm WD39XJ.

DIOCESE

Research: Into why the Irish came to London in the 1940's and 1950's. If you are in this category and are able to assist phone Kathleen Wilkinson 01727 765094 or email kc.wilkinson@cloud.com

Assisted Suicide Bill in England and Wales:

This will be debated in the House of Commons on Friday 11th September 2015. Members of Parliament will have a free vote. The Catholic Church opposes assisted suicide and you are encouraged to write to **your / our MP at, House of Commons London SW1A 0AA**. You can use the following form;

Dear

I am contacting you regarding Rob Marris MP's Private Member's Bill on Assisted Dying which is due to have its second reading in the House of Commons on Friday 11th September.

If passed, this Bill will have a profoundly negative impact on some of the most vulnerable people in society.

As my Member of Parliament, I hope that you will attend the debate and vote against the Bill at its second reading.

I would be grateful if you could let me know how you intend to vote on this important matter and how you have taken my views into account.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

You can inform yourself more on this matter on www.catholicnews.org.uk/assisted-suicide

**Last Weekend's Collection: Envelopes: £1129.78 Loose: £ 794.02
Standing Orders: £ 474.46. Thank You**