

Feasts/Memorials

October

Tuesday	26	-	SS Chadd & Cedd, Bishops
Thursday	28	-	SS Simon & Jude, Apostles - Feast
Friday	29	-	Blessed Martyrs of the Douai College

Mind the Gap - 'Faith in Film' – Advent 2010

A series of spiritual films and discussion for young adults (17-35) will take place at Our Lady of the Assumption & St Gregory, 13 Warwick St., W1, from 7.00-9.30pm starting on Wednesday 24 November. The list of titles are as follows:- Wednesday 24 November; *'The Bridge'* (2003), Wednesday 1 December: *No Greater Love* (2010), Wednesday 8 December: *The Blind Side* (2009), and Wednesday 15 December:

The Nativity (2006). Refreshments at 6.30pm. All young adults are warmly invited. Nearest tube: Piccadilly Circus.

Visiting the Sick

If you know of any sick, elderly or housebound parishioner who would like a visit from a priest, please tell **Fr. Iain** at the Priory. He will be very pleased to pay a visit.

Weekday Masses:	8.00am, 12.15pm, 6.00pm
Saturday Masses:	8.00am, 12.15pm, 6.00pm (<i>Vigil for Sunday</i>)
Sunday Masses:	8.30am, 10.00am <i>Sung</i> , 11.00am <i>Latin Choir</i> 12.15pm, 6.00pm <i>Young Adults Choir</i>
Holy Day Masses	8.00am, 12.15pm, 6.00pm
Bank Holiday Masses:	9.00am, 12.15pm (no 6.00pm Mass)
Weekday Confessions:	5.30-5.50pm - Priest on duty except 12 Noon-3pm
Saturday Confessions:	10.30-11.45am, 3.30-5.50pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays from 6.30-8.00pm	
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Our Lady OF MOUNT CARMEL

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 24 October 2010 - 30th Sunday of the Year

World Mission Sunday

Looking around our Church any Sunday we can see very clearly that we belong to a worldwide Church. People of almost every race and nationality in the world come to our Church. This is something we need to acknowledge and celebrate – we are all enriched by this in many different ways. Some of us come from parts of the world where the Church is “old” – that is, a Church whose origins go back many centuries and some almost to the beginning of Christianity. Others come from countries where the Church is “new” – perhaps only a few centuries or even less. In some countries the Church is growing rapidly, blessed with many vocations and youthful vigour. In other places the Church seems to be diminishing or facing difficult and painful challenges. We are all part of the one Church and had the joy of recently celebrating the presence of our Holy Father, Pope Benedict, among us.

From the very beginning of Christianity, Christians were aware that the Good News of Jesus Christ was meant for everyone. It is a “*light to enlighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel*” [Luke 2:31] and Jesus commanded “*go make disciples of all the nations*” [Matthew 28:19]. However, the story of the spread of the Gospel has been slow, challenging and at times painful. Though there are Christians in every country of our world, and the Church has never had as many members as it has today, there are still millions who do not know Jesus Christ.

The work of spreading the Gospel must always go on, it can never stop – when it stops, the Church itself dies. We cannot be Christian, we cannot be Church, without a concern for the spreading of the Gospel. Whatever other concerns, challenges or crisis we may have, these must never be allowed to distract the Church from what is one of its fundamental reasons for existence and its first duty to humanity.

In our second reading today we listen to a very elderly St Paul writing to his friend and co-worker Timothy who is now in charge of the Church of Ephesus. Paul is reflecting on his experience of working to spread the Gospel and the challenges, opposition and hardship this caused him.

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“The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear... to Him be glory for ever, Amen.

Today is a day to celebrate what the Church has achieved over the past two thousand years and to remember the many people who have given their time, talents, health and lives to this mission. It is a day to remember and pray for those working today, sometimes in very difficult conditions, to spread the word of God and the love of Jesus Christ. Finally, it is a day to reflect on the future of the Church, a future that we are all building and handing on to the next generations.

Fr Matt Blake, Prior

World Mission Sunday: There will be a special collection after all Masses today for the **APF** (Overseas Missions). By supporting *World Mission Sunday* you will help millions of people all over the world to receive and share the gift of life and faith.

The Alpha Course in a Catholic Context

A group of 30 young Catholics (called *The Vision Group*) is running an **Alpha Course** at the Carmelite Priory, starting on Tuesday 2 November at 7.00pm. The Alpha Course is an opportunity for everyone to explore the Christian faith. The evenings will start with dinner together and live music, followed by a talk and some time in small groups to discuss the big questions – life, death and their meaning. There is no charge for the Alpha Course. All are warmly invited. For further information email: vision.ukteam@gmail.com or call the team on: 020-3239-3270. Please see poster on our Church notice-boards.

November Dead List

A Mass will be said every day during the month of November for your departed relatives and friends. Names and donations will be accepted at Reception Desk. Special forms and envelopes are available at the back of the Church.

Cardinal Newman: A Man for our Times

A series of **four Public Lectures** on **Cardinal Newman** will take place at Westminster Cathedral Hall, starting on Tuesday 2 November from 7.00pm-8.30pm and will continue fortnightly on Tuesdays with guest speakers as follows:-

2 November: *Cardinal Newman :A Man for our Times* – Dr Judith Champ

16 November: *Newman on Reason and Faith* - Dr James Pereiro.

30 November: *Newman on Christ and the Church* - Fr John McDade, SJ.

14 December: *Newman and Friendship* - Fr Daniel Seward, CO.

These are public lectures to which all are welcome. Registration is requested to guarantee a place. e-mail: faithmatters@rcdow.org.uk or telephone 020-7931-6078. Suggested donation per lecture £3.

Children's 'All Saints' Party

There will be a Children's '**All Saints**' Party in the Priory on Saturday 6 November from 3.00 – 4.30pm. *Children* ! we would like you to come dressed as your favourite saint – all ages welcome. For assistance or for ideas on saints' get-up, please contact Fr Iain iainmatthew@yahoo.com

Mount Carmel – A Review of the Spiritual Life

The October-December issue of **Mount Carmel** is now available at Reception. As always it is an excellent read with contributions from many well-known Carmelites, including an in-depth article on Cardinal Newman – highly recommended. Price £2.50.

Remembrance Sunday

Remembrance Sunday will be celebrated on **14 November** this year. The 11.00am Mass will be a Requiem Mass for all who died in two World Wars and other conflicts of our time.

All Saints Day and All Souls Day

Please note the **Solemnity of All Saints** will be celebrated on Sunday next 31 October, and the **Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed** (All Souls Day) will be celebrated on Tuesday 2nd November

Reminder: Summer time ends next week-end. So please remember to put your clocks back by one hour on Saturday night 30th October !

