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We need some more **Readers** for our week-day Masses, particularly the 12.15 and 6.00pm, and also our Sunday Masses. If you would like to be considered for this very important ministry in the Mass, please contact Rita on 020-7727-6554. Or leave your contact details at Reception and we will get back to you.

A Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit will be held at Westminster Cathedral tomorrow, Monday 3 October at 9.30am, celebrated by Archbishop Vincent Nichols – on the occasion of the opening of the **Legal Year**. This annual Mass is said for *lawyers and all those involved in the administration of justice*. All are welcome to attend.

Weekday Masses: 8.00am, 12.15pm, 6.00pm
 Saturday Masses: 8.00am, 12.15pm, 6.00pm (*Vigil for Sunday*)
 Sunday Masses: 8.30am, 10.00am (*with Choir*) 11.00am ***Latin Choir***
 12.15pm, 6.00pm ***Young Adults Choir***
 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: Fridays 6.30.7.30pm – for Vocations
 to the Priesthood and Religious Profession.

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Sunday 2 October 2011 – 27th Sunday of the Year

If you ever have the opportunity to visit a Carmelite Convent and speak to one of the nuns – Ladbroke Grove being our nearest – you may stumble across fascinating and wonderful experiences they have had in their journey of prayer. Cloistered nuns, living a life of prayer, are often prevailed upon to pray for particular needs of people – some with no faith and others from different faith backgrounds.

It happened one day that a husband arrived on the doorstep of a convent and met one of the nuns. He asked for prayerful intercession as the particular need was quite serious. The nun he met embraced his request and petitioned the Lord for an answer to his prayer. Some 30 years elapsed and the man appeared on the doorstep again. You guessed it – the nun was still in the convent. To his horror the nun asked about his request. The man embarrassingly replied that his request had been answered almost immediately!!

Throughout the years in-between, the nun had been praying for his cause! Such is the dedication of this vocation to lead a cloistered lifestyle in the face of the unknown quality of their prayer. She took the privileged moment to enquire about his request. However, most times a nun will not receive such indications, yet trustingly, she keeps in mind the people and their plight and hands them confidently over to God. I wonder if this would be an example of perseverance in prayer: of not giving up even when the fruits of prayer are not perceivable? I am sure there are other like stories in your own history. Why not pass them on as an example to our younger generations as evidence of the reality of prayer working in your own family? Please share these stories.

Fr Anthony Parsons OCD, Prior

Papal Intention

VATICAN CITY, 30 September 2011 (VIS) - Pope Benedict's general prayer intention for October is "*That the terminally ill may be supported by their faith in God and the love of their brothers and sisters*".

Taizé Reflects

Where is your faith? The faith placed in Christ can only grow, however, when it relies on knowledge. As I advance, it becomes more and more indispensable for me to understand better what had attracted me to him in the first place and led me to place my trust in him. As a matter of fact, the Hebrew word for knowledge describes less an intellectual approach than a communion of persons. Wishing to know Christ, I thus attempt to deepen what I can know about him, how the Gospels speak of him and how the other writings of the New Testament show him alive.

New Liturgy - The Gloria

Glory to God - "PEOPLE OF GOOD WILL". Where at present we say "his people", now we describe what sort of people they are, just as in the Latin text. It makes clearer sense of how people live according to God's will. The phrase is often used by Popes and Synods too when they address their teaching to all people of good will throughout the world. This is the first of several changes in **The Gloria** which you will notice. They all attempt to make the English we use more precise in its meaning, closer to the Latin, and richer and fuller in expression.

'Little Way Week' – 1-7 October

The "**Little Way Week**" which has just begun was inspired by the spiritual teaching of **St Thérèse of Lisieux** and aims to encourage everyone to reach out to others with the love of Jesus Christ and do seven small acts – i.e. just one small act a day for a week.

* All are invited to our **Holy Hour** with **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** for *Vocations to the Religious Profession* from 6.30-7.30pm on Friday next 7 October.

"Thérèse, A Saint for our Times" - All are invited to '**A Day with Thérèse**' on **Saturday next 8 October** here in our Church, from 10.00am – 6.00pm. There will be a Special Relic of Thérèse; the Celebration of Mass, and talks by Fr Iain Matthew, OCD; Monsignor Keith Barltrop (St Mary of the Angels, Bayswater) and special guest Fr Patrick Lemoine, Composer of Songs on Thérèse, Notre Dame de Vie, Lisieux. Contact: Monique Varenne at: monivarenne@yahoo.fr Please bring a packed lunch.

Carmelite Youth Day, Saturday 15 October 2011

On Saturday 15 October, **Feast of St Teresa of Avila**, we will have our annual **Carmelite Youth Day** here in our Church, starting with Mass at 12.15pm, followed by a full programme till 5.00pm. More details will follow shortly. For enquiries, please contact Gary Clarke, email: garylclarke2006@yahoo.co.uk

A Special Invitation to our Adult & Senior Parishioners

On Saturday 22 October all Adult & Senior Parishioners are invited to our **12.15 Mass** which will be followed by **tea and cakes in the Refectory**. As in the past, some very willing and helpful students from the LSE will be on hand to chat and entertain you. Do please come along. *Fr Iain*

Recent Collections

We thank you for your contributions to two recent collections: For the *Catholic Association for Racial Justice*, the amount collected was **£486.92.**, and for *Home Missions* on Sunday last, the amount collected was **£700.29.**

Harvest Fast Day for CAFOD

Friday next 7 October is **Harvest Fast Day**, when all are encouraged to make certain sacrifices in aid of **CAFOD**, the Catholic Church's own overseas aid agency, and on Sunday next, 9 October, there will be a special collection after all Masses when your contributions will be taken up. Your kind generosity towards this very worthy cause will be greatly appreciated.

'A Day with Thérèse' at the Carmelite Church