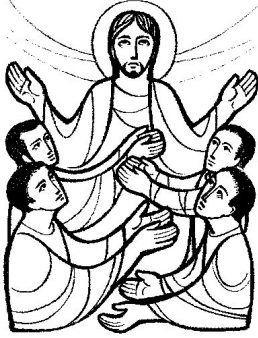


# Welcome to Our Sunday Mass

When you pray say 'Our  
Father, who art in heaven...'  
Gospel



Church of the Transfiguration of Our Lord Old Town,  
Stevenage  
& Shared Church of Christ the King, Symonds Green  
25th July 2010  
17th Sunday of the Year

Response:  
On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

**Pope's Visit:** Who would like to attend the ceremonies in **Hyde Park on Saturday 18th September**? It will be quite a long day and would probably not be suitable for small children....but that's up to parents/guardians. I need a written response with name(s), address with postcode, email address if possible and phone numbers by 9pm this Sunday (25th July). (*Fr. Frank*)

**Confirmation in 2011** Any young person of our parish in year 9, 10 or above, wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation sometime between Easter and July 2011 is invited to fill in the application form available in the church porch or online at <http://www.stevenage-rc.org.uk/htdocs/programmes/Confirmation.html>. This should be done before the end of term as we have to inform the bishop by the end of July. Candidates and their parents will be asked to attend an information meeting in the Old Town on Monday 11th October at 7.30.

**Spread the Faith—Take a chance—Speak for God—Listen to God** Our Diocese is putting on a special day at **All Saints, London Colney** to give us an opportunity to meet informally with others who are interested in parish catechesis and are exploring the possibility of volunteering as catechists in the parish. The session will explore: What is Catechesis—using the Bible—understanding the Catechism & Church Documents - The Role of Parish Catechists and Volunteers—Prayer in Catechetical Sessions - Practical Tips and Tools for New Catechists - Getting the most out of a Sacramental Programme. **Date: Saturday 16th October. Time: 10am to 1pm. Your Parish needs you - God needs you. Eight parishioners have already booked places.**

Led by: Fr. John McKenna and Anthony Curran ( Diocesan Director for Catechetics )

**Day for Life—This Sunday, 25th July:** Day for life is the Day the Catholic Church in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales dedicates to celebrating the dignity of human life from conception to natural death. This year its theme is the meaning of Christian death and the care of those who are dying. There are pamphlets available in church giving fuller details. There will be a special collection. Please be generous. The proceeds of the collection will assist the work of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other life-related activities supported by the Church. [www.dayforlife.org](http://www.dayforlife.org)

**SCIMP Collecting Boxes -** We would be most grateful if those with SCIMP boxes could now bring them in for emptying. Even if there is only a small amount in the box it will all help to meet our target of £5000 for our clean water project in Kenya. Thank you for your help. If you have any questions please contact Adele Jackson (351798)

**Please remember in your prayers:** Sr. Loretta's mother, Rita Dooley, who died in Redcar, Yorks. on Thursday; Bridie O'Sullivan's brother, Tom McGrath, who died in Cork during the past week, and Dorothy Oakes, whose funeral will be in the Old Town this Monday at 11am. Pray also for those who have been bereaved.

Mass Intentions for the coming week

Sat 24th	10.30	Old Town		Michael Brennan RIP
Feria	11.00	Old Town	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	4.30	Old Town	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament	
	6.00	Old Town		John McHugh
Sun 25th	9.00	Sy Green		Frank McGee RIP
17th Sunday of the Year	11.00	Old Town		Parishioners
Monday 26th	<u>11.00</u>	<u>Funeral Mass for Dorothy Phyllis Oakes</u>		
SS Joachim & Ann, Parents of the B.V Mary				
Tues 27th	10.30	Sy Green		Frank McGee RIP
Feria				
Wed 28th	9.30	Old Town		Harry Cox RIP
Feria				
Fri 30th	9.30	Old Town		John & Bridget Lucas Intention
St Bridget of Sweden				
Sat 31st	10.30	Old Town		Rita Dooley RIP
St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest	11.00	Old Town	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	4.30	Old Town	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament	
	6.00	Old Town		Parishioners
Sun 1st	9.00	Sy Green		John McHugh RIP
18th Sunday of the Year	11.00	Old Town		Martha & John Parmar rip

Diocesan vacancies

*Job title:* Assistant to Works Manager *Hours of work:* 21 hours per week (9am to 5pm, 3 days per week) *Location:* Clergy House, SW1. For further details, please visit [www.rcdow.org.uk/jobs](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/jobs)

<b>Next SVP Meeting 3rd August</b>	<b>Monthly Prayer Group</b> on Friday 30th July at 2.30pm in the church	<b>Eucharistic Ministers and Readers:</b> the rota for August is now available. Please collect one from the church.
<b>Collection Last Week</b>  Envelopes:           £621.94 Loose:                 £265.19 Standing Orders:    £389.58 Total: <u>£1276.71</u>  <i><u>Many thanks for your support</u></i>	<b>Readings for next week:</b> <b>18th Sunday of the Year</b>  Ecclesiastes 1:2;2:21-23  Colossians 3: 1-5.9-11  Luke 12. 13-21	<b>Rotas</b> Cleaning: Old Town: Emma TeBraake Sy Green: Joan Murphy  August Linen:  Mary McCrory  Sacristans: Sat 31st: Geraldine Kilgallon & Bernadette Blane Sun 1st : Mary Canavan

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