



# CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY AND HOLY REDEEMER



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (Cycle C) 31 JANUARY 2010

### REFLECTION FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Today we will hear about Jeremiah's call to be a prophet and about Jesus' visit as a prophet to his home synagogue. We too have been called to be prophets. We were given this calling in Baptism and as was the case with Jeremiah and Jesus, it is a calling that demands courage.

*Readings: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13;  
Luke 4: 21-30*

### REFLECTION FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Isaiah and Peter are both challenged and called to special missions. They are not called because they are perfect. In the response and the task of mission they will be perfected. God's word also challenges us to grow and to bear fruit. We too should not hesitate or be held back by weakness and frailty.

*Readings: Isaiah 6: 1-8; 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11;  
Luke 5: 1-11*

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*Foundation Mass*

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*StT: Emmaus Centre in St Leonards*

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# THE LEARNING AND CARING CHURCH

When we serve the poor and sick we serve Jesus.  
We must not fail to help our neighbours, because in them we serve Jesus  
*St Rose of Lima*

## HOLY REDEEMER

**The Haiti Earthquake Disaster Appeal** Thank you so much for your generosity. The total raised so far is £1,429.97 which will be sent direct to CAFOD. Further donations have been made since Sunday which will be recorded next week.

**Valentine's Social** The tickets for the Valentine's Social evening on Saturday the 13th February will be on sale after Mass: £5 each or £12 for a family (2+2) or ring Judy on 442018. Buffet Supper, Raffle and music by the Melody Makers. Please support this fund raising event for the Stained Glass Window in the Lady Chapel.

**Hollington Churches Together Service** on this Sunday 31st at Hollington Methodist Church at 6.30pm. All welcome.

**Mass Intentions** If you wish to have a Mass said at the Holy Redeemer on a specific date please book it well in advance as there is a large backlog of Intentions for Masses until the middle of April. If you would like a Mass said earlier please let Sue Lee know and she will arrange for the Mass to be said at St Thomas'.

**Year for Priests** There is adoration on Fridays after Mass from 10-10.30am to pray for priests during this special year.

**Collections:** 23/24 January £487.08 (GAD £298 )  
Haiti Earthquake Appeal: £1,429.97 (Breakdown CAFOD £507 (GAD £313.20) & Parish Social Action £922.57 (GAD £704)  
*These amounts do not include Standing Order payments*

### Dates for your Diary

13 Feb UCM Valentines Social at Holy Redeemer  
26 Feb Prize Bingo  
27 Feb Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist Day - Concordia Hall

## ST. THOMAS'

**We welcome** the following children who will be baptised next month: Oliwia Kolumbayew, Willow-Rose and Kiera-Marie Pilkington, Grace Jones and Talia Wahnnon.

**Today is Homelessness Sunday** and the start of Poverty and Homelessness Action Week. Church Action on Poverty asks us to reflect on the theme "Enough for All". See Social Action Notice Board for details. Next Sunday is Poverty Action Sunday and our Retiring Collection is for the local Emmaus Project.

**"The Lord is my Light"** You are invited to take part in the Diocesan Prayer and Reflection Programme for Lent by joining a Parish Small Group. Please read the attachment to the Bulletin for details on how to sign up for a Group.

**Parish Music Group** will meet on Monday 8th February at 6.30 pm for a practice in St. Thomas'.

**Stations of the Cross** If you would like to lead Stations of the Cross, after 10 am Mass on Wednesdays and Thursdays during Lent, please enter your name on Rota located on back bench of Church.

**Collections:** 24 January £312.00 (GAD £85.40)  
Haiti Earthquake Appeal £1,126.14  
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**CAFOD at St Thomas'** during w/e 24th January, 5 envelopes (1 x GAD = £20) contained the sum of £51.38 for the Haiti Earthquake Appeal. The total amount given to date for this Appeal is £1,303.92. All donations placed in the CAFOD Steel Box TODAY will be towards this extremely urgent Appeal. Thanks for your very generous response.

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## JOINT PARISH NOTICES

**A & B Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 29 Jul – 6 Aug 2010**  
Application forms available from both Parish offices, the Pilgrimage office or can be downloaded from the website [www.ablourdes.org](http://www.ablourdes.org). Pilgrims requiring any medical, nursing or carer assistance should contact the Pilgrimage Office direct on 01903 745180.

**A day for commissioned Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharistic** on Saturday 27th Feb 10.30am – 4pm at Concordia Hall. There will be a morning session on the Pastoral Care of the Sick and an Afternoon of Recollection. Bring your own lunch, coffee and tea provided. To book your place please ring Judy Harkins on 442018 (HR) or Teresa Spackman on 465170 (StT).

**The Diocesan Vocations Promoters** are running the following events on the priesthood. A "Vocations Retreat" at St. Johns Seminary, Womersley, nr Guildford from Friday 5th March until Sunday 7th March. (min age 18) and a "Discovering Priesthood Day" on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> March at Our Lady of Consolation & St Francis, West Grinstead nr Horsham, for young men aged between 14 –18 years. Please contact Paul Turner on 01293 603773 or [vocations@dabnet.org](mailto:vocations@dabnet.org)

**Emmaus Hastings & Rother** Second-hand Store. New stock arriving every week so come up and have a browse; open Tuesday to Saturday 10am-4pm. We are in Whitworth Road (near Sainsburys) Tel 755111 for free collection of furniture etc. - see notice board for further details.

## GENERAL NOTICES

**Street Pastors Launch** on Friday 5th February at 7.30pm at Wellington Square Baptist Church. If you would like to go along or would be interested in becoming a volunteer please contact Anja Keep on [hastings@streetpastors.org.uk](mailto:hastings@streetpastors.org.uk)

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