

Church of Our Saviour Bulletin Supplement

The English Speaking International Roman Catholic Parish of The Hague

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11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUSTICE & PEACE MEDITATION

In the 7th chapter of his Gospel, Luke methodically portrays the kinds of people whom Jesus blesses. These include foreign soldiers, widows, the poor, notorious sinners, the sick, dead and diseased. Throughout this seventh chapter Jesus repeatedly crosses the boundary of accepted behaviour, and for that he draws both high praise and extreme criticism. No wonder, then, that mid-way through this seventh chapter John the Baptist questions whether Jesus is really the Messiah that everyone expects. And that has been the question asked about Jesus ever since. Do we hope to find a Messiah who will validate our actions and demands (whether that be on a personal or national level), or should we follow a Messiah who challenges the fairness and justice of the present circumstances?

Lord, help me find you in unexpected places.

Sent in by Eric Johnson

END OF THE PASTORAL YEAR



This Sunday 13th June we'll end this Pastoral Year with our Parish Day BBQ and Auction of Promises. The next one opens on 11th/12th September with 'Meet The Parish'. What does this mean? The normal Eucharistic celebrations continue but we advise all groups to take a break. Obviously everything related to liturgy and daily administration of the Parish will carry on as usual but we try to reduce the evening Group meetings to a bare minimum. **During the summer**



a lot of building work will be going on in the pastoral centre so these rooms cannot be used. We all need some time to relax and catch our breath for the new Pastoral Year, so be wise and use July and August for that!

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTISED

On Friday 11th June **Maximo and Alissia Gardella** received the Sacrament of Baptism. We would like to welcome our new parishioners and send our best wishes and congratulations to their families and Godparents. Please remember them in your prayers.

FAREWELL FROM O'HALLORAN FAMILY

After ten short and pleasurable years in The Netherlands, the O'Halloran family is leaving for further adventures elsewhere. We have been privileged to be members of the greater parish community during that time from our very first welcome by Fr Sjaak on the alter at Aloysius College in February 2000, through many Irish Stall Food Fairs to our last day - today Sunday 13th June. The Church has been an essential part of our lives here but we trust we will find a similar welcome in our new location. For those who would like to stay in touch, we can be contacted by email at richardfohalloran@gmail.com More immediately Triona and I will be happy to say Hello and Goodbye or Slan after mass and buy a drink or coffee for you at the Parish BBQ. Thank you and tot ziens. **Richard**

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY APCH

There will be a special Summer Bible Study at the American Protestant Church The series is entitled "Christian Basics Bible Studies" and starts on Wednesday June 23rd at 19.30. Anyone can attend and no homework is required. There are different subjects so for more information please contact Beverly Duncan. Tel: 070-887 2726 or email:

theduncans@live.co.uk

NON-PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please note – advertisements are placed in this section as a service to our parishioners or to let people know of activities in the region that might be of interest. They are not an endorsement of the people offering services or of the organisations that are mentioned.)

MEMORIAL CONCERT FOR MALCOLM DAVIES

On Friday 25th June at the Kloosterkerk there will be a memorial concert for **Malcolm Davies**. The 22 yr old conductor from Sri Lanka, MaNoj Kamps, will conduct The Cecilia International Choir in Hadyn's 'The Creation'. Tickets €15 can be obtained from Dolores 0622609101."

HOUSE FOR RENT:

Bezuidenhoutseweg 80 G The Hague. Luxurious renovated partly furnished 3 room (2 bedrooms) apartment (127 m2) with a terrace and a nice view over 'Het Haagsche Bos'. Ideal location, close to the center of The Hague, public transportation and highway connections. Extra's: nice parquet flooring, fully insulated (double glazing etc.), separate storage and parking. Rental price: €1.600,- per month (excl.). Full details can be seen on www.funda.nl or please contact Jennifer Margés 070 3877905 or 0621395758

WANT TO LEARN OR IMPROVE YOUR DUTCH/ FRENCH/ ENGLISH?

Speaking with a native speaker can drastically improve your language skills. Being a Dutch and French native speaker and being very fluent in English, I can help you improve your language skills. Feel free to contact me at michiel.pruijssers@gmail.com or +31.6.81.68.33.59

NEED A PHOTOGRAPHER?

A passionate and professional photographer is at your service. Feel free to contact me at michiel.pruijssers@gmail.com or +31.6.81.68.33.59.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR



Do you see yourself helping our Church in any of these Roles?
If you do, please contact the Parish House on info@parish.nl or any of the following parishioners
Beryl Pavey at the Welcome Table
Helena Schröder or Livia Lobo at the Choir area on Saturday and Sunday.

LITURGICAL

A **Meditation Group Coordinator** – the meditation Group meets on Thursday evenings in Church and on the first Friday of every month after Mass in the Parish House.

Choir members – for either the Saturday or Sunday choir. You don't need to be able to read music. A happy heart makes happy music!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE) & CHILDREN'S LITURGY (CL)

We need **RE teachers and CL leaders**. If you enjoy sharing your faith with our youth and the children, then this is your calling.

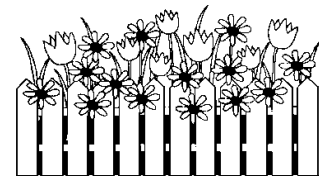


JUSTICE & PEACE COORDINATOR

There are many sub groups within Justice and Peace group, like Amnesty International, Meals for the Homeless, etc. but we need one coordinator who will take charge and run the monthly meetings.

ASSET MANAGEMENT

Parish House gardener – do you have love for nature and 3 hours once a fortnight to tend to the parish house garden?



The **Parish car** needs some tending once in a while...

If I had a hammer.... - **Odd jobs need to be done in Church** and in the Parish House – being handy once in a while to turn up and attend to some small jobs before they become big ones?

Church supplies – we need somebody once a month to stock up/replenish the Parish House and the Church with supplies.

GOD BLESS YOU FOR PUTTING YOUR TIME AND TALENTS TO USE TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY. A FEW HOURS GO A LONG WAY.....



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13 June 2010

Parish Finances Update

Dear Parishioners,

The effects of the financial crisis is felt by our own parish too insofar as it has led to a considerable number of community members leaving The Netherlands.

Year-to-date expenses have so far exceeded the budgeted weekly collections. Expenses for 2010 have increased by approximately 30%, mainly due to maintenance and the costs associated with building renovation. At the same time, weekly donations have decreased by approximately 35% as compared to last year at this time. **There is a budget shortfall.**

2010 BUDGET, WEEKLY AMOUNTS:

Donations: (Automatic Donation Plans, Build With Us, Cash Collections, etc.)	€6210.
Budgeted Expenses (Building Maintenance, Building Loan, Office, etc.)	€7780.
<i>Approximate Weekly Deficit (based on budgeted amounts)</i>	-€1570

WEEKLY DONATIONS, PAST 3 WEEKS (including collections):

24 th May 2010:	€3561.
31 st May 2010:	€3327.
5 th June 2010:	€4227. (includes First Communion)

As you can see, the weekly donations do not meet our financial obligations.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

1. Join the Automatic Donation Program (ADP) - see the back of this page for more information
2. Consider increasing your weekly donation, either in church or through the ADP.
3. If you are leaving us, please consider giving a one-time departing donation as consideration for your time in our parish.
4. Host a Build With Us event. See the Welcome Table for more information.
5. Take advantage of the Dutch Tax Laws for Charitable Donations through a Notary Deed. See the Welcome Table for more information.
6. Give a one-time gift.

With many thanks for your kind attention

Cornelis Trommel, Treasurer



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“PLANNED DONATION CAMPAIGN”

A Request for your SUPPORT! Do we hear a YES? Here’s HOW!

Plan A

I WISH TO JOIN THE “**PLANNED DONATION**” CAMPAIGN and will instruct my own bank to make an automatic bank transfer for a monthly/weekly (*please delete as appropriate*) donation of € _____ to:

Beneficiary Name: Church of Our Saviour
City: Den Haag
Account Number: 45.18.99.806 Description: “Build With Us Donation”
IBAN Number NL91ABNA0451899806 or BIC Number ABNANL2A

OR

Plan B

I WISH TO JOIN THE “**PLANNED DONATION**” CAMPAIGN and hereby authorise the Church of Our Saviour to make a monthly withdrawal of € _____ from my Bank Account Number _____

OR

Plan C

I wish to make a **one time** donation and hereby authorise the Church of Our Saviour to make a withdrawal of € _____ from my Bank Account Number _____

Please fill in your details below:

Name: _____

Address & Post Code: _____

E-Mail: _____ Tel. No.: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this form to The Treasurer, The Church of Our Saviour, Ruychrocklaan 126, 2597 ES Den Haag, or hand it in at the Build With Us table at the back of the church after Mass.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION COUNTS - THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!