

Church of Our Saviour Bulletin

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5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

PSALM RESPONSE:

Morning Mass: "PRAISE THE LORD, PRAISE THE LORD, WHO HEALS THE BROKEN HEARTED".

Evening Mass: "BLESS THE LORD, MY SOUL WHO HEALS THE BROKEN HEARTED".

Readings:

5th February: Jb 7:1-4,6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23; Mk 1:29-39

12th February: Lv 13:1-2,44-46; Ps 32:1-2,5,11; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-45

THIS WEEK'S AGENDA

Sunday 5th February

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Choir Practice before Mass

10.00 Mass

Blessing of St. Blaise after Mass

11.30-12.15 RE

11.30 L'Arche Community Presentation for Adult Formation, Bar area

13.00 Indonesian Parish Mass (until 16.00)

17.30 Mass + Baptisms

18.30-22.00 Confirmation Group Meeting

19.00-20.00 A.A. Group, Room 3

Fair Trade Shop Open

Monday 6th February

09.30 Mass, Chapel

10.00 Reception, Sri Lankan Embassy

19.30 Ethics Course

Tuesday 7th February

09.30 Soup Kitchen, Rotterdam

11.00 Meeting on Church Art, Voorhout

18.30 Diocese Meeting, Atrium

Deadline for Charity Applications

Wednesday 8th February

OFFICE CLOSED

09.30-10.45 Toddlers' Playgroup, Coffee Room

Thursday 9th February

10.00-13.00 Craft Group

19.30 RCIA

Choir Practice, Atrium

20.00-21.00 A.A. Group, Room 3

Friday 10th February

Start of Parish Retreat, Koningshoeve Abbey, Tilburg

09.30 Liturgy, Chapel

10.00-14.00 British Club

17.00 Meal for the Homeless, Westeinde 101a

Saturday Voices Rehearsal, Atrium

Saturday 11th February

Parish Retreat, Koningshoeve Abbey, Tilburg

Sunday 12th February

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Parish Retreat, Koningshoeve Abbey, Tilburg

Choir Practice before Mass

10.00 Mass

Presentation on the Parish Trip to Slovenia after Mass

11.30-12.15 RE, Liturgical Workshop

17.30 Mass

19.00-20.00 A.A. Group, Room 3

Eucharistic Schedule**Weekends at the church:****Sunday: 10.00
17.30****Weekdays in the Chapel:**

Monday and Friday: 09.30

Reconciliation

Sunday 16.30-17.00 or By appointment

RE 11.30-12.15 (see RE Calendar)

in the Pastoral Centre

Sunday Morning Crèche/Child Care in the choir loft at the church

€2.00

SCHEDULE OF MINISTRIES

	SUN. 5th FEB. 10.00	SUN. 5th FEB. 17.30	SUN. 12th FEB. 10.00	SUN. 12th FEB. 17.30
Altar Servers	Nicholas McGlaun Nathan Moses Priya Wood Cade Vente	Laura Zajackowska Emily Parker	Ben Polzer Rachel Polzer Toby Obiorah Ada Obiorah	Nicholas McGlaun Andreas Bottema Kunmi Taylor Koye Taylor
Eucharistic Ministers	Paul Hendry Ernie Pineda Elly Derksen Candy Pritchard Alison Wright Rupert D'Mello Francesca van Duren Peter Wood Neveen Hamdy Josephine van Veen Rachana Wood	Adele van Vliet Bridget Anderson Rick Chasse	Peter Wood Alison Wright Derick Allaway Gladys Hendriksz Robert Vente Hans Bloemen Shawna Vente Arthur Faulkner Beryl Pavey Rachana Wood	Michele Cascianelli Lynne Mecca Bridget Anderson
Lectors	Carol Wooley Okey Ndubueze Johanna Jones	Kevin Murnane Andy Bugden Andy Bugden	Aileen Faulkner Chidozie Obiorah Helen Andriessen	Lillian Rossini Tamara Soukotta Tamara Soukotta
Ushers	Oijeh Akano Matus Buckus Benedicta Manka	Chris Khouw Beryl Pavey Lea Banaynal	Liz Ihechere Agbonme Obiorah Lina Pineda Josephine van Veen	Ellis Kreuwels Adele van Vliet Frank van Vliet
Welcome Table	Alison Wright Harry Moneypenny	Maureen Sullivan	Jacqueline van der Ham Norah Moneypenny	Arlene Wapstra
BWU				
Children's Liturgy	Sheryl D'Mello Kevin Goth Saskia Connolly Mollyn Mughisha Alice Obomanu Ibim Obomanu		Joanna Krancher Carmela Javier M. Laura Annink Josefina Pasman Theresa Ching Emma Nkwocha	

OPENING HYMN (MORNING): THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!**This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!**This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!**Let it shine! Let it shine! Let it shine!*

- The light that shines is the light of love, lights the darkness from above.
It shines on me and it shines on you and shows what the power of love can do.
I'm gonna shine my light both far and near,
I'm gonna shine my light both bright and clear.
Where there's a dark corner in this land I'm gonna let my little light shine.
- On Monday he gave me the gift of love, Tuesday peace came from above,
On Wednesday he told me to have more faith, on Thursday he gave me a little more grace.
Friday he told me just to watch and pray, Saturday he told me just what to say.
On Sunday he gave me the power divine to let my little light shine.

CANDLE PROCESSION EVENING MASSNunc Dimittis chant: *"A light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people Israel"*.**THIS SUNDAY FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD, (CANDLEMAS) AND BLESSING OF ST. BLAISE**

When the Lord was presented in the Temple, the old man Simeon said that he had now seen the 'Light of Salvation'. The COS Kids' choir will join our Sunday Morning Choir. After Mass there will be an opportunity to receive the Blessing of St. Blaise against ailments of the throat.

SPONSORED COFFEE THIS SUNDAY

The coffee this Sunday is offered by Nathalie Gay. Nathalie says, "I want to thank the parishioners and Fr. Sjaak for their wonderful support, prayers, visits and cards during my illness". Everyone is welcome!!

PANCAKE SALE : SUNDAY, 19 FEBRUARY

There will be a Pancake Sale in the Atrium after Morning Mass on Sunday, 19 February.

The pancakes, which will cost €1.- each, may be eaten 'on the spot' or taken home. Also on sale will be jars of Alison Wright's home-made Mixed Fruit Jams and Piccalilli.

EVENTS PLANNED FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 2012

- Quiz Night: Saturday, 17 March
- Kids' Fancy Dress Party: Friday, 23 March
- African Evening: Friday, 20 April
- Bake Sale: Sunday, 13 May
- Brazilian Barbecue: End May or beginning June
- 2-3 day Book Sale: May or June (dates to be decided).

BAPTISMS THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday, during the evening Mass, **Diyara Dalicia Chittick, Julianna Constance Huebscher, Rachael Hannah Huebscher, Leah Ninarose Remular and Oreste Camille Antoine Rilliard** will receive the Sacrament of Baptism. We welcome our new parishioners and send our congratulations and best wishes to their families and Godparents.

ADULT FORMATION AFTER MASS THIS SUNDAY

Members of the **L'Arche Gouda community** will speak after the 10:00 Mass this Sunday. They will speak about their lives together, the spirituality that influenced Jean Vanier and Henri Nouwen, and the upcoming retreat in Ghent. Please join us from 11:30 to about 12:15 in the church.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The information in our database and Directory is only as accurate as you allow it to be so please do let us know if you are leaving or if you know of a family that has left. Equally, if you have just arrived then please do register – you can collect a Welcome Package from the Welcome Table at the back of the church after Masses. You can register there too if you just never quite got round to doing so! Thank you.

KERKBALANS APPEAL

We extend a sincere **Thank You** to those who responded to last week's appeal by joining the Planned Giving programme. If you've not yet returned your form, you can hand it in at the Welcome Table or post it to the Parish Office (Koningin Mariaalaan 2, 2595 GB Den Haag). For those who missed the Parish financial information with the Planned Giving application, extra copies are available at the Welcome Table.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers for a special occasion please contact **Cheryl Carr**: carrbark@bart.nl Cheryl would also welcome flower arrangers willing to make the arrangement once every 4 – 6 weeks

WORLD DAY FOR THE SICK 11TH FEBRUARY

The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes was elevated by Pope John Paul 11 as the World Day for The Sick. It was at this sanctuary that the Anointing of The Sick was first made available to a large crowd and not just for people who were dying. The Sacrament was restored to its original meaning as 'a Spiritual force to raise up the sick and restore them to health'. Before the renewal of the Sacrament it was often called 'The Last Rites or Extreme Unction' and thus considered a Sacrament for the dying. This practice limited the original scope of the healing force of the anointing. For parishioners who feel weak or those who feel they could benefit from the anointing because they face serious health issues there will be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament after the morning Mass on **Sunday 12th February**.

PRESENTATION ON SLOVENIA TRIP

After Mass on **12th February** the Ambassador of Slovenia, H.E. Leon Marc, will give a presentation to promote our parish trip and give us an idea what to expect. Everyone is welcome You'll find further details of the trip later in the bulletin.

GIFT TO FLOOD VICTIMS IN THE PHILIPPINES

The result from the Christmas Door Collection €190.47 has been transferred to the Cagayan De Oro project to help the people who lost everything in the floods that hit the Philippines a few weeks ago. This tremendous sum was the parish's spontaneous response to this natural disaster. **Thank you all so much for your generosity and solidarity.**



NEW CLEANING TEAM COORDINATOR NEEDED

Our cleaning team coordinator, **Sue Bichsel** would like to have someone to help her organise the church cleaning group. If you would be interested in helping please contact the parish office or give your name and details to the Welcome Table.

PARISH RETREAT IN KONINGSHOEVE ABBEY TILBURG

Nineteen parishioners will spend the weekend of 10th-12th February on retreat in the beautiful abbey of Koningshoeven near Tilburg. The theme of this weekend is "I seek your face, Oh Lord" and Fr Fons Eppink, a Mill Hill father, will be leading us in prayer and reflection. This is a special time away from our busy lives here in The Hague. It is a quiet time, a time to pray, to be together with our parish friends, to meditate to the Gregorian chanting of the monks and hopefully to rediscover God in our lives. Please pray for us on our spiritual journey.

Helena Schröder (Organiser)

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT'S SUPPER AND SUBSTANCE

Attention all **Married and Engaged couples**: Mark your calendar for the **4th March** beginning 18:45 (6:45pm) until 20:45 (8:45pm) in our Church Atrium for our next Supper and Substance. A delicious pot luck supper provided by those attending will be enjoyed while a marriage related talk will be given by **Jeff and Elaine Polzer**. It would be helpful if you could contact **Dwight and Mary Johnston** Tel: 064 259 1883 or email: manddjohnston@gmail.com if you intend to come so we have an idea of numbers and also know what food you will be bringing.



SPECIAL RETREAT

Interested in the spirituality of Henri Nouwen and Jean Vanier? Come join us for a retreat sponsored by L'Arche of Flanders, from **February 24th – 26th**, in Ghent Belgium. For more information please contact Terrence Zecha at tmzecha@yahoo.com.

FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PRIEST OR DEACON

There will be an information day in Vronensteyn Seminary on March 10th (in Dutch). For more information please visit the website www.bisdromrotterdam.nl and click on the picture 10 Maart 2012, Oriëntatiedag priester en diakenopleiding Vronestyn.

APCH BIBLE STUDY

Beginning on Wednesday 8th February from 09.45-11.15 at The American Protestant Church Fellowship Hall there will be a weekly Bible Study on St. Luke. **Everyone is welcome**. For more information please contact Trudy van der Muelen. Email: sitrumuelen@casema.nl or visit the website: www.apch.nl

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Group Leaders, please mark your calendars for the next Pastoral Council meeting, which will be held on Tuesday 28th February in the Atrium.

PARISH TRIP TO SLOVENIA – EASTER 2012. STILL SOME PLACES AVAILABLE!!

COME TO THE PRESENTATION AFTER MASS 12th FEBRUARY FOR MORE INFORMATION



We have eight reservations so far for our trip. The Slovenian Ambassador (and our parishioner) Leon Marc has put together a Parish Trip to Slovenia leaving on **Monday 9th April 2012 and returning on Saturday 14th April**.

We would fly by Adria Airways to Ljubljana from Amsterdam and from there transfer by coach to our hotel at the coastal resort of Portoroz, visiting the Postojna Caves and the medieval city of Piran with its beautiful monastery on the way. The next day we would visit the salt pans and then travel to Koper to visit the Roman Catholic publishing house there, a beautiful church with modern mosaics by Marko I. Rupnik, a wine-tasting and much more .. We will dine at Majerija Restaurant (a personal favourite

of Leon) before transferring back to Ljubljana where we will stay for the rest of the trip. On Day Three we will have a walking tour of Ljubljana itself before visiting the 1930s church by Jozef Plecnik and on to the Cistercian monastery in Sticna. Day Four will take us to Stajerska (Styria) and the Cultural Capital of Europe 2012, Maribor as well as the pilgrimage church at Ptujška Gora. Our last full day will take us to Bled with its imposing island castle and the Basilica of the Virgin Mary in Brezje.

Ambassador Marc will be joining us for the trip as well as our unofficial guide!

The price includes 5 nights bed and breakfast in three-star hotels, lunch and dinner on Day One, dinners on Day Two (including local drinks) and Day 5, all entrances and fees or local taxes, English speaking guides throughout and all transfers. Other drinks and meals for own cost. For further details and photographs of the places we will be going to, visit our website where, on the News page, there will be a link to a full Power Point presentation.

Cost is €50 per person (double occupancy) or €120 for a single room calculated on the basis of 20 participants. If you wish to reserve a place, please mail the Parish Office quoting your names as written in your travelling documents (passports or ID cards). The deadline for application is 17th February. 30% deposit is required with confirmation of booking and the remaining payment needs to be made by 23rd March.

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 mentioned.)

CAR FOR SALE

2001 Mazda Minivan MPV, 5 doors, 7 passenger, 69,000 miles (110,00 km), APK Oct 2011, €4,000.00. Please contact Dwight or Mary Johnston: Tel. 064 259 1883 or email: manddjohnston@gmail.com

SINGLE BED AND TELEVISION WANTED

Sr. Emmanuelle requests your help in finding a single bed and, if possible, a television for a Togolese friend. Thank you and God Bless. Please contact me Tel: 070-389 8478

GUIDES GROUP

3rd The Hague Guides are seeking enthusiastic, English-speaking girls aged 10-14yr to join our (Girl)Guide unit to try new activities, skills, indoor and outdoor adventures and be part of a fun group. Our unit is part of Girlguiding UK and we run the same programme as UK Guides. Please email Judith or Jennifer at 3rdHague.Guides@gmail.com for more information. (We can also put you in touch with Brownies (7-10yr) and Rainbows (5-7yr)).

LADIES ENGLISH SPEAKING BADMINTON

We are a group of ladies consisting of many different ages and nationalities that play badminton every Friday morning. We play at all levels. If you want to improve your game and meet new friends then you can join us by dropping me a mail! Every Friday 11.00 - 12.30 at the Vliethorst in Voorschoten. Cost of €5 includes coaching (first time free) For more information contact Anne Mc Mahon at anne.mcmahon@planet.nl

LOOKING FOR AN UPRIGHT PIANO. OFFERING A BABY GRAND PIANO FOR FREE

We are looking for a second hand upright piano in good condition and not too far away from The Hague. We are also offering a baby grand piano for free. This piano is not in perfect condition and might have to be checked and repaired. It has to be picked up in Rotterdam. Please contact Bloeme at 0621484745 or mauro.bloeme@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR (PART-TIME) WORK

- Well-educated, presentable man 50+ who worked for several years as a property manager, butler and chauffeur of a VIP family nearby Utrecht, currently is looking for similar position in The Hague area. References are available. Please contact Thomas on 06-29105502 or email tom-rad@live.nl
- I am 22 year old student at The Hague University of Applied Sciences looking for a student job. I have a very flexible schedule so I am available every weekend and for quite a number of hours during the week. My preferences would be babysitting, cleaning jobs etc but I am a quick learner and would be able to work in any part time field. My details: email address: mysozy@yahoo.com and mobile phone: 0657899694.
- I am a student of The Hague University and I am currently looking for job as a babysitter. With no previous work experiences, however with babysitting experiences in my family. Contact number 06-8422 7607 and e-mail: dianaruzickova@gmail.com

FOR SALE OR RENT

- Apartment in Marlot for sale (€250,000). Corner apartment with four rooms well situated in an area close to shops, highway and public transport. Double glazing throughout. Within easy reach of the city centre or the beach at Scheveningen. Garage for sale separately for €39.000 (buyers' costs). Please telephone 070-314 3000 for info.
- Two storey house in Rijswijk for rent in Sir Winston Churchillaan 112, close to highways A4,A12 and A13. to Shell Rijswijk, ICC and good transport connections, bus 23 and trams 1,10 &15. Three beds, two toilets, one bath, Large living space, Kitchen and good storage space, price neg. For more info please contact M.Dansi - 0630441823 or e-mail: matubatsid@yahoo.co.uk.



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THE
FAIR TRADE SHOP
THIS SUNDAY?

