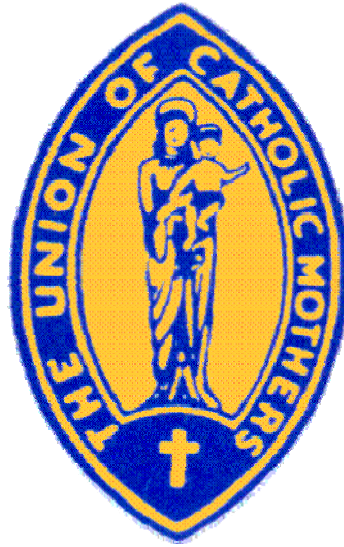


The Union of Catholic Mothers

St James' Church Reading



Spring Term 2010 Programme

All meetings are held in the Blessed Dominic Barberi Room at St James unless otherwise indicated on the notice sheet.

Afternoon meetings begin with a shared lunch after 12.15pm Mass.

Sunday, 3rd January - Coffee after 11am Mass

Thursday, 7th January - 1.00 pm Welcome Back - AGM

Thursday, 21st January - 1.00 pm - Water - Progressio

Thursday, 4th February - 1.00 pm - To be announced

Sunday, 7th February - Coffee after 11am Mass

Thursday, 18th February - 1.00 pm - To be announced

Sunday, 2nd March - Coffee after 11am Mass

Thursday, 4th March - 1.00 pm CAFOD Hunger Lunch

Thursday, 18th March - 1.00 pm Women's Way of the Cross

Other dates for the diary:

Wednesday Daily Mass Scheme - 3rd February, 27th February and 3rd August.

5th March - Women's World Day of Prayer -10.30 St. Mary's Minster Church

Diocesan Dates

- 6th February, UCM Study Day, St Boniface, Shirley, 10.00am - 3.30pm - Speaker Nicky Stevens and Bridie Stringer who will be talking about the

Pastoral Plan, and how it will have an effect on our two organisations - More details to follow

- 15th - 17th March National Study & Welfare Days at Swanwick
- 19th - 21st May National AGM - Swanwick
- 20th March Day of Recollection Wokingham
- 5th June Diocesan AGM at Early
- Pope's visit to England in May or September
- 8th October Catholic Women of The Year Lunch, speaker Archbishop Vincent Nicholls

The UCM leads a service of prayers, bible readings and hymns at Abbeyfields Retirement Home: 7pm

Tuesday, 12th January

Tuesday, 9th February

Tuesday, 9th March

Tuesday, 13th April

Daily Mass Scheme

The essential thing is for at least one member of the Foundation, more if possible, to attend Mass and to pray particularly for the five intentions which are:

1. For all members
2. For all those who suffer for their Faith
3. For a growth in Faith
4. For an increase in Vocations to the Priesthood
& Religious Life
5. For Marriage and Family Life

Foundation Officers

President: Cate Crabb - Afternoon meetings

Secretary: Carole Van de Velde

Treasurer: Jean Lane

The Union of Catholic Mothers is a national organisation, with links to other Catholic women's organisations around the world. At the heart of the organisation are the parish groups, called Foundations. There are Foundations in Reading at St James', Our Lady of Peace (Earley), English Martyrs' and St Joseph's (Tilehurst). There is an active membership in the Portsmouth Diocese of approximately 500 members of all ages and backgrounds.

All women in the parish are welcome to become members: you don't need to be a mother or married! All parishioners, men and women, are invited to attend any specific social event or meeting of interest, without any need to join the organisation.

A Powerhouse of Prayer

At least one member of the UCM attends Mass at St James' each day, for UCM and parish intentions. This rota has been unbroken since 1939!