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12th February - 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Milton Keynes Prayer Cycle

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News-sheet items

Usually to Fr. James by Thursday morning.

Last week's collection

Envelopes: £278.00

Loose: £300.88

Standing Orders: £366.00

Total £944.88

Parish Pastoral Council

This met on Wednesday. The (unapproved) Minutes are on display in the porch. It was decided that we will have coffee and tea after the 11 a.m. Mass on the first and third Sundays of the month.

Mardi Gras at Cornerstone

Christ the Cornerstone are celebrating Mardi Gras with an evening of fun and entertainment for all ages on Tuesday 21st February. Tickets include food & pancakes: £6 adults, £3 children; available from the Cornerstone shop.

If you wish to contribute to the entertainment please see Fr. Allan.

This Promise is for You

This is a six week Lenten course in our parish on Tuesday evenings, starting on 28th February at 7.30pm and lasting until 9pm. The evenings will include DVD talks, refreshments, small group discussion, music and prayer. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Lent

As usual there will be the Stations of the Cross after Mass on Friday evenings.

MK Christian Environment Group

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The Church as the New Temple

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Retreat

The Pastoral Area Annual Lent Day retreat will be on Saturday, March 24, 11am-3.00pm, at St. Mary, Woburn Sands, given by Fr. Mark Elvins OFM Cap, the noted Franciscan retreat leader.

There is coffee from 10.30am. Bring a packed lunch.

Red Boxes

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Celebration at Thornton

Invitations are available for those in Secondary school to go to Celebration '12 at Thornton Convent, just outside MK, from Friday 24th August - Monday 27th August. It is a chance for participants to learn and experience their faith together and have some fun. (See the photographs in the porch).

Confirmation

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Parishioners who are in Year 8 (as the minimum age) are invited to let Fr. Allan know if they wish to join the programme by e-mail to the parish e-mail account.

'Bags for Life'

Due to the snow the collection of the bags has been postponed for a fortnight. If you have any bags please bring them next Sunday.

PRAYER FOR 6TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

We invite you to say the Sunday's Prayer at home during the week. This week's prayer:

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you.. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

TODAY'S GOSPEL: **Mark 1. 40 - 45**

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<i>Total</i>	£812.61

Changes

The Saturday 6 p.m. Mass has stopped.
(There is a 5.30 p.m. Mass on Saturdays in Christ the Cornerstone.)

There is now a Sunday evening Mass at 6.30 p.m.

Christ the Cornerstone

Note that on Tuesdays there is now an 8 a.m. Mass there.
- Because there will not be many cars there people may park in the Cornerstone car-park. The 12.30 p.m. Masses continue on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Readers, Ministers, Children's Liturgy Leaders....

Invitations to our annual pre-Lent Party have been sent out. Please let us know if you are coming. If you were missed off the list tell Fr. James, who will give you your invitation.

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Curry Night

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Christian Aid

Last week's coffee morning raised £55. To add to this sum, I am selling raffle tickets after the 11am mass, 50p/ticket or from Sally Easton MK 668776.

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Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

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