

## Sunday 23 October 2011 – Today is World Mission Sunday

Today, World Mission Sunday, is our chance to be united with Catholics all over the world in prayer, friendship and support. We share in the work of missionaries and the young Churches as they share their faith and give life, often in difficult and dangerous circumstances. Through Missio, Catholics are able to actively share in the mission of Jesus: proclaiming the boundless love of God to all peoples.

The money collected today will go in its entirety to support mission projects worldwide. Please give what you can; every gift makes a difference and, if possible, please use the Gift Aid envelopes provided.

## Sunday 30 October 2011 – Thank you

Thank you very much for your generous contribution to last week's World Mission Sunday collection. Your prayers and kindness will help missionaries across the world continue their work at the service of the poor and vulnerable. Please pray for all those working to offer the love of Jesus, that they may remain strong in their witness to Christ's love for all peoples.

## Information for your Parish Website

**World Mission Sunday – 23 October 2011** – is a day when Catholics all over the world join together to pray, celebrate and care for the whole family of the Church.

A large and important part of our Church (40%) is still regarded as 'missionary' and needs our help to survive and grow to self-sufficiency. Even more challenging is the fact that more than 50% of the world have never heard of Jesus and that they are loved unconditionally by God.

World Mission Sunday is important. Our prayers and our donations mean that we share in the mission of Jesus by supporting the thousands of missionaries who put their lives at the service of God's people. You will be able to Gift Aid all donations by using the envelopes provided.

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## PRACTICAL INFORMATION AND PARISH INSERTS

### For your celebration of World Mission Sunday

Some suggestions on how to involve your parish/community in the celebration of World Mission Sunday

- Use the suggested inserts in your parish newsletter and/or parish website
- Put up the poster and refer to it if possible
- Involve the local school or youth/parish group in creating a display on the Church around the world (the outside folder may be helpful, and further information can be downloaded from our website)
- Create a multi-lingual welcome for World Mission Sunday Mass. Ask members of the various nationalities to greet the congregation in their own languages or write the bidding prayers
- Involve parishioners of different nationalities to take an active part in the liturgy and music
- Invite APF members of the parish/community to create a display

### Gift Aid

Last year Gift Aid increased our donations by £12,000. We would like to increase this – it could make a huge difference to the support we can provide to mission projects. The newsletter inserts mention the Gift Aid envelopes and where the money will go. Will you please announce this at Mass and thank the parish counters for all their help. We can only claim Gift Aid if the monies and Gift Aid envelopes are sent directly to Missio.

To avoid waste we have sent you a limited number of envelopes; however, please let us know if you need extra Gift Aid envelopes. Telephone: **020 7821 9755**

Email: [missionsunday@missio.org.uk](mailto:missionsunday@missio.org.uk)

**Those not wishing to Gift Aid do not need to use the envelopes to make their donation.**

Guidelines are enclosed in this pack for the parish counters.



**Website version** [www.missio.org.uk/missionsunday.php](http://www.missio.org.uk/missionsunday.php)

All of these materials are available on our website. This will make it easier for those who wish to copy directly on to newsletters etc. You may also wish to download the Children's Liturgy.

## Where to send the Money

Please do not send to your diocesan offices.

We will only be able to reclaim the Gift Aid on your parish or community donations if you send the money collected directly to us.

Any cheques from parishioners made out to World Mission Sunday, or Missio can be sent directly to us together with the parish collection.

Please send a cheque for the money collected and any completed Gift Aid envelopes in the Freepost envelope provided or to:

World Mission Sunday, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU

## MASS STIPENDS

### A lifeline for those working among the poor

Many local diocesan priests and missionaries in Africa and Asia are totally dependent on Mass stipends for their income and sustenance. Please accept Mass offerings from those who wish to offer them and send any you can spare to:

Canon James Cronin, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU

Please make cheques payable to: **Missio Mass A/C**

We will make sure they are distributed fairly to priests and bishops working in areas of greatest hardship.

## Hymns

### Laudate, Hymns Old and New, Celebration Hymnal for Everyone

#### Entrance

Christ be our light (L 883)

Thy hand, O God, has guided (L 876, CHE 74)

All People that on Earth do dwell (CHE 22, HON 27)

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God (CHE 633, HON 473)

#### Preparation of the gifts

In bread we bring you, Lord (CHE 302, HON 243)

The Servant King (L 749, CHE 187)

One Bread, One Body (CHE 578, HON 744)

Will you let me be your servant? (L 924, CHE 813)

#### Communion

Eat this bread, Drink this cup (Taizé, L 633, CHE 151)

Ubi Caritas (HON 772)

Do not be afraid (CHE 157, HON 122)

Here I am, Lord (CHE 285, HON 712, L 865)

#### Recessional

At the name of Jesus (CHE 59, HON 50, L 762)

Thou whose almighty Word (L 887, CHE 738)

Forth in the peace of Christ we go (L 853, CHE 183, HON 147)

Tell out my soul (L 880, CHE 684, HON 514)

## Information for your Parish Newsletter

### Sunday 16 October 2011 – Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday

It is a special day that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer, celebration and care for the family of the Church. Thanks to the sacrifice and witness of missionaries the Catholic Church is growing; many Churches can now take care of themselves. However over 40% of the Church in the world is still 'missionary' and needs our help.

By supporting Missio you will be directly helping over 1,000 dioceses in these young Churches, bringing hope and new life to people thirsting to hear of God's love for them. Through Missio, the Holy Father invites every Catholic in the world to contribute to a special collection next Sunday. You will be able to Gift Aid all donations by using the envelopes provided.