

Resources

If you need any resources (Red Boxes, labels, receipt books), please contact us as normal. There may be a bit more of a delay getting them to you, as the main post is only being sent on a Wednesday for the time being, so try to get your orders in by a Monday!

Hello from Theresa

I have enjoyed my contact with many of you (over the phone, by e-mail, via the Local Secretaries Facebook Group and ZOOM) over the last few months: I've learnt a lot from each of you. If you want to get in touch (if you have any questions, or if you want to share some ideas) then my mobile phone number is 07593 544 625 and my email address is: theresa@missio.org.uk.

I'd just like to offer a word of encouragement to you all as I'm sure you must sometimes feel somewhat isolated and I know (from the stories I've heard!) that you often have to put up with a lot of inconvenience as you carry out your role. So THANK YOU! Your work is vitally important and YOU make mission possible.

With our thanks for all of your support

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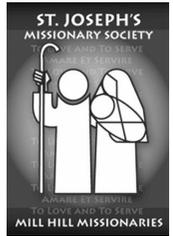


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Missio and Mill Hill

Northern Newsletter

Autumn 2020



Dear Friends,

Thank you for all of your messages of support during these last six months.

I know that many of you have been anxious about ensuring Red Box money is banked so that the money can be sent to help those people around the world whom we support.

Please do not worry if you are unable to collect and bank donations at this time. We know that once you are able to do so, you will deposit the money.

Thank you for continuing to pray for all missionaries and the communities they serve. Especially at this time, missionaries have been telling us the importance of knowing that they are prayed for by all of us here in the UK, and they continue to assure us of their prayers, too.

Amidst all of this, on 18 October we celebrate **World Mission Sunday**. At this time when we have also been unable to gather together as a community and celebrate Mass, we have experienced something of what many of our sisters and brothers face in remote villages where there is no church or priest to celebrate the Eucharist. It is fitting that at this time we still celebrate World Mission Sunday. It is an opportunity to join together in prayer with our global family, praying for one another.

The latest edition of *Mission Today* focuses on World Mission Sunday. As well as hearing from Sr Nilcéia, a missionary from Brazil working in a remote part of Malawi, there are reflections for each day of October.

On behalf of all the Red Box team, thank you for your continued support.

Stephen Davies

Many of you asked that we continue to email the newsletter to you.

We have emailed it to all of you for whom we have an email address.

You may wish to forward it to others in your parish.

If you wish to receive fewer printed copies as a result, please let us know.

If you have not received it via email, please email redbox@apfmillhillappeals.org.uk to make sure we have your correct email.

Notes from the Office

Mission Today: World Mission Sunday

Your copies of *Mission Today* should arrive by Monday, 21 September. They are themed for World Mission Sunday, so if possible, please distribute them to as many people as you can so as to help mark this special day in the Church's year.

If you still have copies of the *Mission Today: Impact Report* from the Summer, please do not worry.

Because the Impact Report looks back at what has been achieved thanks to the support of the Red Box, it can be given out at any time—even alongside the latest *Mission Today*.



World Mission Sunday

Due to COVID-19, this year's World Mission Sunday will look very different. **If there is any way you can encourage your parish to mark the day, we would really appreciate it.** Do you have a parish Facebook group? If so, could you ask someone to share the resources on it? Some parishes are placing a big red plastic box at the back of church to collect any donations. Each parish has been sent an A3 poster for the day, with two smaller A4 posters on the back. One of these could be stuck on the box so that people know where to place their donations. Anything you can do to help remind people of our global Church community is great!



Freshfield Office

The Red Box office in Freshfield is reopening a few days a week, so you can call the office again. Please leave a message if there is no reply and someone will get back to you. The whole team have missed being in as regular contact with you all, so please feel free to get in touch.

There may still be a short delay in banking cheques sent to the Freshfield Office as it will not be staffed daily.

Post Office: Paying in cash

The new way of paying in cash at the Post Office seems to be working well. It is much easier for us to reconcile deposits with the correct parish. To pay in cash at the Post Office, you now need a deposit card.



If you regularly pay in Red Box cash at the Post Office and do not yet have a deposit card, please either email or call the Freshfield office and we will get a card to you as soon as possible.

Receipts

Receipts for deposits made between January and June have been sent out. Receipts for July and August will be sent out by the end of September. If you think you should have received a receipt but have not had it, please contact the office. Anyone wishing to have their acknowledgment sent in the post should also contact us and we will send them out to you and make a note to do so in the future.

Let's think outside the box!

There was a good response to the 'Let's think outside the box!' postcards sent with the Summer *Mission Today*. As best we can, we match up any donations from your parishioners with your parish, so this will be reflected in your end of year totals. The various ways of giving continue. We know that some of you have asked for these details to be put in your parish newsletter or website.

You can **send a cheque**, payable to Missio-Mill Hill, to Red Box, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU.

You can **give online** at missio.org.uk/RedBox

You can **give via text message**: text REDBOX 5 (to donate £5) or REDBOX 10 (to donate £10) to 70085. This costs £5/10 plus your standard rate message.

You can **call** 020 7821 9755 to donate via credit or debit card.

You can **make a bank transfer** – Account: Missio; Sort code: 16-00-16; Account No: 10824230; Ref: RB+your postcode