

Local Secretary Online Training

We are hosting more online training sessions for Local Secretaries. The sessions are particularly relevant for new Local Secretaries but are open to all. They are an opportunity to meet other Local Secretaries, discuss Mission, share your thoughts and pick up new ideas. Each session lasts no more than 90 minutes. Please choose whichever one date suits you best (it is the same session run several times over the year). Email redbox@missio.org.uk to register.

Mondays at 6.30 p.m. and Tuesdays at 10.30 a.m.

4 & 5 April; 13 & 14 June; 19 & 20 September; 14 & 15 November

Coffee and a Chat

Join your Regional Community Fundraisers, Dave & Theresa, for an online coffee and a catch up on the 1st Friday of each month at 10.30am. Bring your own coffee!



Please email redbox@missio.org.uk to receive the Zoom link. We will also add the link to the Local Secretaries' page on the Missio website: missio.org.uk/LS and on our Local Secretaries' Facebook group: facebook.com/groups/RedBoxLS

Paying in money at the Post Office

To pay in cash at the Post Office, you now need a paying-in slip which includes a barcode. If your paying-in book does not have a barcode on each page, and you use the Post Office to pay in Red Box money, please contact your Diocesan Director/Assistant, or email redbox@missio.org.uk or call **020 7821 9755**.



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Missionaries Together

Local Secretaries Southern Newsletter Spring 2022



Dear Friends,

'Formidable faith, resolute, strong beliefs, dedicated.' All words to describe Pauline Jaricot who, on 22nd May 2022, will be declared Blessed. We witness this Missionary Spirit in the work that you all undertake in your parishes, in answering Pope Francis' call to share the Gospel message with those you encounter. Thank you!

In this newsletter, you will find information about how you can learn more about Pauline Jaricot and how, in your individual parishes and dioceses, you can celebrate this important moment in the life of Missio.

Thank you for sending in your End of Year forms and letting us know about those who support you in your role. As many parishes are now getting back to some sort of normality, we encourage you to reach out to your Red Box holders, to reconnect with them and to encourage them to hold our missionary communities, especially the Mill Hill Missionaries, in their prayers.

We have opportunities for us to gather together, either online or safely in person, during the coming months. We look forward to welcoming you!

Dave Wheat



Your Regional Community Fundraisers

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Blessed Pauline Jaricot

The beatification of Pauline Jaricot, the founder of the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF), on 22 May 2022 in her home town of Lyon, France, is a chance for us all to celebrate.

We are busy creating resources to help you create a buzz around this important step in her journey to sainthood and we will make them available to you via the Local Secretaries' page on the Missio website: missio.org.uk/LS.

With the spring edition of *Mission Today* you will find a leaflet about Pauline's life: please order extra copies if you need them.

Share the good news with your parish

To raise awareness of Pauline's life in your parish community, why not include the following text in your parish newsletter in the lead up to the beatification?

Blessed News!

Pauline Jaricot, the founder of the Association of the Propagation of the Faith (APF) is to be beatified in Lyon on 22nd May 2022. Find out more about this remarkable lay woman in the spring edition of Missio's 'Mission Today' magazine or visit missio.org.uk/pauline. If any of our Red Box holders have ideas of how we might celebrate this special occasion in the Parish then please contact ... [Local Secretary contact details].



Share your story

Don't forget to share photographs and write-ups of any parish celebrations with Missio (e-mail redbox@missio.org.uk or tag Missio in to any social media posts).

Thanking our Volunteers

One of the ways we wish to mark Pauline's beatification is by recognising and celebrating the contribution of **all** of our volunteers. We may not know the names of all those who assist you in your role of Local Secretary, so that is why, with last year's Annual Return, we asked you to provide details of your Promoters, Treasurer, and any others who help you (assuming they are happy to share their details with Missio). There's still time to send them in to us so that Fr Tony Chantry can then write to thank these special supporters.

Diocesan Masses in 2022

Provisional dates for your diaries:

Shrewsbury Diocese

Wednesday 11 May 7pm at St Michael & All Angels, Birkenhead.

Portsmouth Diocese

Sunday 12 June 3pm at St Colman's, Portsmouth.

Thursday 16 June 3pm at St Joseph's, Maidenhead.

We will endeavour to send you a personal invitation if there is a celebration planned in your diocese.

Contactless Giving

We are trialling contactless giving in some parishes as an additional way that people can give. If you are interested in helping to trial the contactless devices, please get in touch.

It is one of the areas which came out of the Local Secretary Consultation, which is still ongoing, with working groups looking at specific areas of the Red Box: cashless giving, the role of the Local Secretary, resources, and training. We will continue to share information from the consultation. You can find some initial findings on the LS page of the Missio website: missio.org.uk/LS