

Local Secretary Online Training

The online training sessions are particularly relevant for new Local Secretaries, but are open to all. They are an opportunity to meet other volunteers, discuss Mission, share your thoughts and pick up new ideas. Each session lasts no more than 90 minutes. Please choose the one date which suits you best. To register, email redbox@missio.org.uk.

Tuesdays at 10:30am and Wednesdays at 6:30pm

20 or 21 June; 19 or 20 September; 14 or 15 November

Coffee and a Chat

Join your Regional Community Fundraisers, Dave & Theresa, for an online coffee and a catch up on the first Friday of each month at 10:30am. Bring your own coffee!



Please email redbox@missio.org.uk to receive the Zoom link. The link is also on 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

We continue to hear from you about the closure of Barclays Bank branches and the difficulties this causes. If you wish to pay in cash at the Post Office you need a Barclays Deposit card. Unfortunately, when paying in coins at the PO, you are required to present only full coin bags, of the correct denomination. If you need any support with these issues, or you want a PO card, then please contact Theresa (contact details on the front page of his newsletter).



Missionaries Together

Local Secretaries Northern Newsletter

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Dear Friends,

We hope you enjoyed the celebration of Easter in your parishes. In the Impact Report edition of *Mission Today*, you can read about some of the fruits of your efforts. Thank you!

Please continue to share with your Red Box holders how their support enables the Catholic Church to flourish in some of the most challenging places around the world, and also assists the Mill Hill Missionaries in their mission of love and service.

Many Local Secretaries across England & Wales have been reaching out to Missio volunteers in their neighbouring parishes to share good practice and to find solidarity in this important ministry. In this newsletter you'll find dates of some of the Mission Masses and events taking place this summer. We encourage you all to take advantage of these opportunities to gather together in your diocese, and to join the online sessions and Local Secretary training opportunities outlined in this newsletter. If your parish could host a Red Box event, please do get in touch with us.

We look forward to seeing you at one of our events later in the year.

Theresa, Dave and Stephen

If you have any queries, or need any help or advice, please don't hesitate to contact Theresa (who works from home).

Theresa Codd: theresa@missio.org.uk Phone: 07593 544625

Don't forget that there are resources to help you in your role at

missio.org.uk/LS



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Red Box Appeals

We welcome Isobel (Izzy) and Opeyemi (Opey) to the Missio team as Appeal Coordinators. Every 4-5 years we try to arrange for a Mill Hill Missionary to come to your parish to make an appeal, not for money (although people can make a donation if they wish, and Appealers are now equipped with a device for taking donations contactlessly), but for people to sign up for a Red Box or take out a Direct Debit.

If you would like an appeal in your parish, then please get in touch with our Appeal Coordinators for more information.

Email: redbox@missio.org.uk or call **020 7821 9755**.

Do you know how important your Red Box is?

Included with your edition of *Mission Today* is our Red Box Direct Debit form. If you would like further copies to give out to your Red Box holders, please get in touch and we will send some to you.

Email: redbox@missio.org.uk for any resource requests, or call **020 7821 9755**.



The Red Box as symbol of prayer

Prayer is central to everything we do as Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. When we pray together, we share in God's love and are inspired to make the world a better place. If your Red Box holders request to move to giving through a Direct Debit or online payments, please encourage them to keep their physical Red Box as a symbol of their support. It is also a reminder to pray for the work of missionaries around the world. Visit: missio.org.uk/pray to join in the Holy Father's prayer intentions and to find prayer resources.



Diocesan Masses and events in 2023

We are looking forward to seeing many of you, and your Red Box holders, at Masses across England and Wales in the coming months. They are a chance to celebrate all volunteers and supporters of the Red Box. Please pass on the information to all supporters in your parish.

Leeds Diocese: Tuesday, 23 May

2:30 p.m. Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 294 Harrogate Road, Leeds LS17 6LE, with Diocesan Director, Fr Jonathan Hart and Fr Emmanuel Mbeh MHM. Light refreshments available after Mass.

Shrewsbury Diocese: Saturday, 3 June (same day as Salford Mass)

11:30 a.m. St Michael & All Angels' Church, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Birkenhead CH49 5LE, with Bishop Mark Davies. Light refreshments available after Mass.

Salford Diocese: Saturday, 3 June (same day as Shrewsbury Mass)

3 p.m. Cathedral Church of St John the Evangelist, 250 Chapel Street, Salford M3 5LL, with Fr Jan Klaver MHM. Light refreshments available after Mass.

Middlesbrough Diocese: Wednesday, 7 June

2 p.m. English Martyrs' Church, Dalton Terrace, York YO24 4DA, with Diocesan Director Canon Michael Loughlin. Light refreshments available after Mass.

Local Secretary Gathering in Hull: October TBC

Details to be confirmed.

We will endeavour to send you a personal invitation if there is a celebration planned in your diocese. Further Masses to be confirmed. For updates visit missio.org.uk/mission-masses-and-events.