



# Newsletter

## The Immaculate Conception

### Epping

**Remembrance Sunday**

**9th November 2008**

My Dear Friends,

I arrived back last week from my holiday in Australia very refreshed after four weeks of sunshine. It was, however, something of a shock to see snow on the ground when I landed at Heathrow. Today is Remembrance Sunday when we pray for those fallen in the two Great Wars and give thanks for their sacrifices for us. Throughout November we pray for the faithful departed. If you have not already done so, you are invited to place your November dead lists in the dish before the Altar.

The children of the First Holy Communion class will be reading and giving the prayers of the faithful at 11.00 a.m. Mass. Please pray for them, their families and their Catechists.

Today's Second Reading reminds us that we are temples of God with His Holy Spirit dwelling within us. In an age when the human body is subjected to all kinds of abuse it is vitally important for us as Christians to safeguard and reverence human dignity, our own and that of others, In receiving the Body of Christ we become what we eat. Every act of Communion must strengthen our resolve to act upon Christ's words and follow His example.

God bless you always,      Fr James

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## **NOVEMBER DEAD LIST**

Please list your dead relatives and friends and put it in an envelope marked "November Dead List" and put it in the plate beneath the Altar. Masses are said throughout November for these souls.

## **HEALING MASS**

A Healing Mass celebrated by Fr. John Glynn at the Diocesan House of Prayer next Thursday 13th November at 7.30 p.m. For details call 01277 373959 or visit [www.abbotswick.org](http://www.abbotswick.org)

## **THE OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY 2010**

Anyone interested in this once every ten year event is invited to contact Fr. James. The play would be the centre piece of a 9 day coach trip to Bavaria and the Austria Tyrol. Approximate cost: £995.

## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP**

This group is for children ages 4—9 yrs and older siblings of those who attend. We urgently require helpers to ensure that this group can continue. Mums and Dads of the children who attend this group would be particularly welcomed to help teach our children the Word of God. All teaching materials are provided. If you are interested, please ring Norah on 01992 577932.

## **CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCHEON**

We are pleased to invite anyone who will be alone on Christmas Day to Luncheon in our Hall 12.30 for 1.00 p.m. Elderly or disabled couples and carers are also cordially invited. Come along and enjoy a traditional Christmas Luncheon with all the trimmings. Transport can be provided. Please give your name and address to Deacon Duncan, Fr James (when he returns) or telephone Mary Morgan 01992 774719.

## **CHILDREN'S CAROL SERVICE**

The Children's Carol Service will take place at 4.00 p.m. on December 14th.

## **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

The Bazaar date 6th December. 4 weeks to go. The appeal next week is for the bottle stall. The bottles don't have to have alcohol in them though that is very welcome. Sauce, shampoo, cleaners, soft drinks... anything packaged in glass or plastic will be gratefully received.

## **NEW PARISHIONERS:**

Please make yourselves known to Fr. James or Deacon Duncan, so we can welcome you to our community & inform you about it.

## **BETHLEHEM ART**

A co-operative of Palestinian Christian Wood Carvers will be visiting the parish the weekend November 22/23 to exhibit examples of their craft. Their trade has been devastated by recent upheavals in the Holy Land and they fully deserve our support.

## **NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY**

Yes! its that time of year approaching again.

The Hall is booked, the music is sorted, all we need is YOU!!!

As per usual the date is 31st December (funny that)

Adults £5, Under 18 £2.50, OAP £2.50

Come and see the new year in with family, friends and if you are on your own, come and join in as all are welcome.

Tickets available from: Steve and Shelia Earl 01992610483 and Pete and Sarah Day 01992522476, John and Julie Ryan 01992524633

## **YOUTH GROUP**

The next meeting will be on the 17th November at 7.30 in the Church Hall. Bring friends, all are welcome.

## **PENNIES FOR PEACE BOTTLE**

The Pennies for Peace Bottle has been emptied and a cheque for £77.50 sent to Pax Christie for peace education work in schools in this country and in Palastine.

## **CHURCH BENCHES PROJECT**

It is very pleasing to report that the Church Benches Fund is now within £2.900 of its target. It would be wonderful if this amount could be donated to close the fund. If you could donate something towards this amount please let Fr. James have your offering, indicating whether it can be Gift Aided which is worth an additional 28% at no further cost to you. Thanks to everyone for their tremendous support.

## **ANNUAL SERVICE for the BEREAVED – 3pm SUNDAY 16th NOVEMBER**

This service is arranged for all those who have lost loved ones – spouses, children, parents, relatives or friends – whether recently or some time ago. The service includes hymns, named remembrance of the loved ones who have died (during which candles will be lit), a short sermon and prayers for the bereaved. Tea/coffee and biscuits in the Church Hall afterwards. Do join us. Any queries to Deacon Duncan.

## **VACANCY ST JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Foundation Stage Teacher—temporary required for 1st January 2009 for 2 day weekly. Please contact the school on 020 8508 6315 for details and application form. Closing date 1st December 2008.

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**  
**This weekend 8th and 9th November 2008**

Saturday	6.00 p.m. Deceased members of Canny Family
Sunday (Remembrance Sunday)	9.00 a.m. Gloria Gee R.I.P.
	11.00 a.m. People of the Parish
<b><u>Intentions week commencing Monday 10th November 2008</u></b>	
Monday	9.00 a.m. Wane Russell R.I.P.
Tuesday	9.00 a.m. In Thanksgiving
Wednesday	9.00 a.m. Garwood Family and Kevin Smith
Thursday	9.00 a.m. Paul Flack R.I.P.
Friday	9.00 a.m. Jack Drinhall R.I.P.
Saturday	6.00 p.m. Molly Firth R.I.P.
Sunday	9.00 a.m. Michael Sellers R.I.P.
	11.00 a.m. People of the Parish


**First Holy Communion** Parent's session 8.00 p.m. Tuesday 11th November in the hall.  
**Baptism:** Congratulations to Edmund Kinsey and Cerys O'Donnell being Baptised this Sunday  
**Altar Servers Training Course:** at 5.00 p.m. on Friday 14th November  
**Magnificat:** A booklet of prayers and scripture for November. Complimentary copies are at the back of the Church. Please help yourself.

Morning Prayer each weekday in the Church at 8.45 a.m.

**Confessions:** Saturday 11.30 — 12.00 Noon and after 6 p.m. Mass

Please pray for the sick: Yvonne Morrall, David Jolly, Rosalie Shannon, Doris Scott, John Hannis, Ellen Day, Paulette Jarrold, Trudy Behn, Amy O'Day, Kathleen Schofield, Elsie Moore, Gina Hawkins, Jane Gant, Doug Barker, Julie Eke, Jeanette Mulligan, Margaret Cabon, Mike Collett and Annette Goodchild.

**HOLY HOUR**  
*Monday evening in Church at  
 8.00 p.m.*



**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament**  
 Monday to Friday for an hour after Mass and Tuesday till 12.30

**ROSARY GROUP**  
 Thursday at David and Pat Jolly's 2a Vicarage Road, Coopersale at 5.00 p.m.  
 All Welcome

Offerings last Week:	£ 1,295.14	Thank you
CAFOD:	£ 26.14	