



Newsletter

The Immaculate Conception

Epping

11th Sunday of the Year

15th June 2008

My Dear Friends,

Distorted images of God cloud the minds of many people whose religious formation was based on fear rather than love. For some God is a spoilsport inducing feelings of guilt and taking all the fun out of life; for others God is a spy whose all seeing eyes scrutinise every action. The Good News preached by Jesus conveys a very different concept of God. Today we hear that Jesus was full of compassion for the crowds who were both harassed and dejected and so, He set about telling them of His heavenly Father who loves us all. When that teaching finally sinks in then, as St. Paul says in the Second Reading, ***“We are filled with joyful trust in God.”***

In our Catholic tradition the month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The heart is considered to be the focal point of love between one person and another. The Heart of Jesus is the Heart of God beating increasingly with love for us all. Love can never be one way if it is to be truly effective — it cries out for a response. We have the chance to make that response at any time and in any place.

God Bless you always, Fr James

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PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING At Sion Community Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood on Sunday 22nd June at 7.30 p.m. — 9.00 p.m. All are welcome.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN DAY OF RETREAT FOR CATECHISTS This takes place on Saturday 28th June from 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. at the Cathedral Conference Centre in Brentwood. Cost £5 per person. Please bring packed lunch. Bookings please 01277 265219.

SEND US TO OZ To all in the Parish, James Harold and James Ryan are overwhelmed with the response to help them travel to Australia for World Youth Day. A number of big thanks goes to Mary and Michael Morgan for the amazing coffee morning put on over the weekend just gone where over £400 was raised and also to the Sunday Morning Coffee group where £50 was raised to help us both out, and lastly to everyone who contributed to help raise the total amount of £1870 of which £125 went to Richard House Children's Hospice. We thank Fr James and Deacon Duncan for their help and cooperation. We carry your kind thoughts and your prayers with us on July the 8th. Many thanks the two J's. (details of the winning tickets are on display in the Church Porch. Please collect items from the hall.)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS ROTAS The new rotas are available for collection from the post box in the Church Porch.

HALL MANAGEMENT Meeting will be held in the Sacristy at 8.00 p.m. on Thursday 19th June. All parishioners welcome to attend.

BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL SINGERS You are invited to a concert "Music for a Mid-summer's Evening" at Our Lady of Grace and St. Teresa of Avila, Station Road Chingford on 21st June commencing at 7.45 p.m. Tickets £7. Details on Notice Board and at music@dioceseofbrentwood.org

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP The next meeting will be on Sunday 22nd June at 6.00 p.m. in the Presbytery. Anyone saddened by the loss of a relative or friend is welcome to come for a cup of tea and a chat—either on a once only or on an on-going basis. Queries to Deacon Duncan.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please make yourselves known to Fr. James or Deacon Duncan,

ATTENTION ALL WOMEN...

You are invited to come and be: '**PAMPERED & ENCOURAGED**'

Saturday 21st June 11.00am to 3.30pm

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Epping Cost: £7.50

Includes a light lunch, treatments etc.. To book a place, please speak to:

Louise Whitbread 01992 560432 (If cost is a problem please let me know) On behalf of **Women of the Word** (WOW) a local women's Christian Group

CHURCH INTERIOR RE-DECORATION.

The inside of the church will be re-decorated **commencing 23rd June 2008** and it will be necessary to re-locate Mass during the 3-4 weeks whilst the decoration takes place as follows:

- Morning Prayer will be said at 8.45 am and the 9.00 am weekday Mass will be celebrated **in the Presbytery** commencing Monday 23rd June
- **Saturday 6.00 pm and Sunday Masses will be celebrated in the Church Hall** commencing 30th June. For the three weekends, it will be very helpful, if some 'young muscle' can set out the chairs in the Church Hall on Saturday afternoons and replace the chairs on the stage after the 11.00 am Mass on Sunday.
- The **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after weekday Masses and the Monday evening Holy Hours will be suspended** from 23rd June until the re-decoration is completed.

The help of everyone is sought to make our worship run relatively smoothly during this

40 HOURS ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT AT LOUGHTON

At St. Edmund's Loughton from 8.00 p.m. to
Midnight on Thursday 3rd July and from 6.00 a.m. on Friday 4th July
continuously till 5.00 p.m. on Saturday 5th July.
All welcome

EPPING CHURCH CHOIRS ASSOCIATION ECCA invites you and your family to their Summertime Concert at St. John's Epping on Saturday 12th July starting at 7.30 p.m. to a programme of sacred and secular music. Admission is free. Programmes £2. We look forward to seeing you there.

YOUTH GROUP MEETING Youth Group gathering on MONDAY 30th June starting @ 7.30pm and finishing @ 9.30 in the Church Hall. FOR Young People AGED BETWEEN 14 AND 25yrs. DVD clips, chat, refreshments and time to reflect is all part of the evening. Please bring friends all are welcome. The team would love to see you all there. Any further information email James Ryan: jamesryans@hotmail.com.

Brentwood Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (July 26th-August 1st 2008)

We are actively seeking, a Senior Medical Practitioner/General Practitioner who would be willing to assist another Doctor in providing medical cover to registered sick/disabled Pilgrims whilst on Pilgrimage. You would be joining a team of volunteer's who consist of Registered nurses and helpers who provide care and assistance, as necessary to pilgrims in their hotel/s. Those people who require assistance are accommodated with the main body of the Pilgrimage predominantly between two designated hotels close to the Grotto. If you would like further information please contact Phyllis Keating (Chief Nursing Officer) on 07900918039.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS
This weekend 14th and 15th June 2008

Saturday	6.00 p.m. Eileen Luker
Sunday	9.00 a.m. Deceased members of Ward Family 11.00 a.m. People of the Parish

Intentions week commencing Monday 16th June 2008

Monday	9.00 a.m. Marian Ward R.I.P.
Tuesday	9.00 a.m. Intention of Jerry Kehoe
Wednesday	9.00 a.m. Intention of Josie McGlynn
Thursday	9.00 a.m. Ted Abbott R.I.P.
Friday	9.00 a.m. Holy Souls
Saturday	6.00 p.m. Derek Wells R.I.P.
Sunday	9.00 a.m. Bernard O'Neil R.I.P. 11.00 a.m. People of the Parish

Recently deceased: Mr Ted Abbott. We offer prayerful condolences to Mrs Janet Abbott and her family on the death of Ted on 8th June. Funeral to be announced. May he rest in peace R.I.P.

Golden Wedding: Congratulations to Ann and John Conroy, married for 50years this weekend.

Morning Prayer will be held 15 minutes before 9am Morning Mass.

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, Anne Higham, Josie McGlynn, Jane Gant, Doug Barker, Julie Eke and Jeanette Mulligan.

HOLY HOUR

Monday at 8.00 p.m. in the Church All Welcome



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Friday for an hour after Mass and Tuesday till 12.30



ROSARY GROUP

Thursday 19th June at 5.00 p.m. at the home of David & Pat Jolly at 2a, Vicarage Road Coopersale All Welcome



Offerings last Week:

£ 1,126.39

Thank you

CAFOD:

£ 23.72