



# Newsletter

## The Immaculate Conception Epping

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st/2nd August 2009

Dear Friends,

The Gospel of John differs markedly from the other three gospels, both in its structure and in its content. John, for example, makes no mention of the Eucharist in his account of the Last Supper. Instead, he concentrates on the washing of the disciples' feet by Jesus as our spiritual nourishment. Throughout the Sundays in August, we hear excerpts from that chapter six. This morning, we hear Our Lord's definitive statement: ***I am the Bread of Life***. He assures us that, if we come to Him in faith, we shall never be hungry, nor shall we ever be thirsty—The Eucharist is our sustenance and our nourishment as we journey through life.

Thursday August 6th is the lovely Feast of Our Lord's Transfiguration. At that event, Peter said: ***Lord, it is good for us to be here.*** We should say the same at every Mass.

God bless you always,

Father James

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## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FORMS**

are now available from Father James.

## **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Please pray for Mrs. Christine King, whose Requiem is at 11 am Tuesday 4th August. *R.I.P.*

## **CALLING ALL GROUP LEADERS!**

If you lead a group or run an activity in the parish, please write a few lines about the past year's activities and drop into the presbytery, clearly marked: PARISH ASSEMBLY REPORT, or send by email. Thank you!

## **JUNE FINANCE REPORT**

	<u>June</u>	<u>Year to date</u>
Offertory - envelopes & standing orders	3,815	11,803
Offertory from loose change	1,275	2,681
Other income	968	9,408
Total Income	6,058	23,892
Expenditure	6,664	21,210
Surplus/(Deficit)	(606)	2,682

### **Gift Aid It**

HMRC will add 28% to your offertory contributions when tax payers join the gift aid scheme. Parishioners contributed ca. £15,000 to parish funds last year. Please contact Malcolm Heughan on 812012 for more details.

### **Loose Change**

Cannot be Gift Aided. We can supply a box of weekly offertory envelopes. Contact Malcolm Heughan on 812012.

## **EXPLORING AND USING THE MUSIC OF TAIZE**

- a date for your diary! -

An Evening Workshop at the Church of the Holy Cross and All Saints, 135, Warley Hill, Brentwood, CM13 3AJ on Monday October 12th, 2009 at 7.30 pm. £3 including refreshments. Phone 01277 233302 or email [picturesque@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:picturesque@tiscali.co.uk)

## **IS THIS FOR YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW?: Journey in Faith**

An information evening will be held in the Presbytery at **8pm on Wednesday 5th August**, when the programme will be outlined. All those wishing to **learn about our wonderful Catholic Faith** are encouraged to attend this meeting, at which dates and times of the meetings during the year ahead will be discussed. Please let Deacon Duncan or Fr. James know if you can attend the meeting, or if you are interested but cannot attend it.

## **OUR PARISH HALL FOR HIRE**

Our hall is available for hire at competitive rates all the year round. For details ring Arnold Verrall on 01992 573633 or 0776 440 4813. Feel free to tell your friends.

**AIDS, CONDOMS & THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**—a presentation by Fr. Stephen Langridge, parish priest, Balham. Using information provided by the World Health Organisation, the United Nations and the contraception industry, Fr. Langridge challenges the view that the Church is engaged in 'Mass murder' and refutes such arguments with sound scientific facts.

Tuesday 13th October at 8pm in our hall. All welcome, Catholic or not.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Please make yourselves known to Fr. James or Deacon Duncan, so we can welcome and inform you.

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

### This weekend 1st/2nd August 2009

Saturday 6 p.m. Jim Lennon, *R.I.P.*  
Sunday 9 a.m. John Welch  
11 a.m. People of the Parish

### Intentions Week Beginning 3rd August 2009

Monday 9 a.m. Una Brown, *R.I.P.*  
Tuesday **11a.m. Requiem** Christine King  
Wednesday 9 a.m. Eileen Albone, *R.I.P.*  
Thursday *Transfiguration* 9 a.m. Intentions of Michael Cannon  
Friday 9 a.m. Ronald Foxen, *R.I.P.*  
Saturday 6 p.m. Intentions of Nellie Driscoll  
Sunday 9 a.m. Peter Hawkes, *R.I.P.*  
11 a.m. People of the Parish

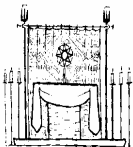
**Morning Prayer** will be held in the week 15 minutes before 9 am Mass.

**Confessions:** Saturday 11.30 to 12 noon and after 6 p.m. Mass

Please pray for the sick: Yvonne Morrall, David Jolly, Doris Scott, John Hannis, Ellen Day, Paulette Jarrold, Trudy Behn, Amy O'Day, Elsie Moore, Gina Hawkins, Doug Barker, Julie Eke, Margaret Cabon, Mike Collett, Annette Goodchild, Betty O'Mahoney, Beth Davie,

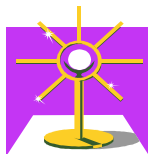
### HOLY HOUR

Monday  
at 8 pm in Church.  
*All Welcome.*



### Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Not during August.  
Recommences Tuesday Sep.1st



### ROSARY GROUP

Friday at 5.00 p.m. at the  
home of Charles Ward  
22 Vicarage Road  
Coopersale  
*All Welcome*



**Offerings**

£ 1091.44

**Thank you**