



Newsletter

The Immaculate Conception

Epping

33rd Sunday of the Year

15th November 2009

Dear Friends,

At every Mass, we wait “in joyful hope” for the coming of Our Saviour. In the creed, we say: “He will come again to judge the living and the dead.” That He will come again is an article of faith. When that will be is left open by the Church. We simply do not know the day nor the hour. From time to time, we find amentalist sects predict a certain date and then are left to do a lot of explaining away when the date passes and nothing happens. What is urged upon us by the Church is not futile speculation, but constant vigilance. We are to stand ready. Our waiting is not meant to be fearful, but hopeful. The judgement at Christ’s second coming will be just, but it will also be merciful.

This afternoon, we have our annual Bereavement Service at 3pm. We pray especially for all our parishioners who have died during the last twelve months and we also pray for all our dear departed. All are warmly invited to share in this important act of Christian piety.

God bless you always,
Father James.

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TODAY IS PRISONERS' SUNDAY

when we are invited to pray for all prisoners and their families, for all who work in the Prison Service and for all victims of crime. Please take an envelope from the back of the church, if you wish, of your charity, to help lead them to hope. If anyone feels called to work as a volunteer at Chelmsford Prison Chaplaincy, please phone: 0207 490 3139.

ANNUAL SERVICE FOR THE BEREAVED: 3pm today, Sunday 15th

This is arranged for all 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 Hall afterwards.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

Next on Saturday **28th November 10.30 a.m.** in the **Sacristy**.

FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS' SESSION

Next on Tuesday 24th November at 8 p.m. in the Hall.

NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS

You are invited to submit in the traditional manner lists of your deceased friends and relatives to be placed before the altar during the month of the Holy souls.

NO MASS ON BOXING DAY SATURDAY EVENING 6PM

Please make a note of this advance notice.

BAZAAR DATE.....DECEMBER 5TH, ONLY 3 WEEKS TO GO!

This week's appeal is for Fancy Goods; a broad definition, embracing anything made of soft fabric, e.g., tea towels, bags, new clothes, pinafores, etc. **Stall-holders** still needed. Have you decided how you would like to help?

HIRE OUR PARISH HALL

for your function. Competitive rates, all mod cons, spacious and light. Contact Arnold on 573633.

DAVE, ANDREW & STEFAN GILL

would like to thank Fr. James and Deacon Duncan for the funeral service of Rita. They also would like to thank friends, colleagues and parishioners for their kind thoughts, prayers, cards and donations to St. Francis Hospice. A special thank you to friends who provided the food after the funeral.

FREE Let Me Be Your Home CONCERT

The next concert will be held on Sunday 22nd November 2009 at 7.30pm, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Cambridge Park, Wanstead, London E11 2PR. Come and join us for an enjoyable Evening Concert with Father John Glynn and Aquila. Songs from the latest CD *Let Me be Your Home* and including the world famous *I Watch the Sunrise*. Admission Free with interval collection. Further details on the website www.johnglynn.org.uk

DATE FOR YOUTH DIARY:

Special Youth Mass and Gathering at 8pm on Friday 8th January 2010 in the Parish Pastoral Centre, Laindon Road, Billericay. All the Youth of the Diocese in Year 8 and above (and especially those who haven't yet returned to College or University after Christmas) are invited to attend. A very enjoyable evening is planned, which will include refreshments and some live music after the Mass, which will be celebrated by Fr Dominic. If you are planning to attend, please email mhr2010@mostholyredeemer.org.uk>Mark, so that catering numbers can be calculated.

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

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

This weekend 14th / 15th November 2009

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| Saturday | 6 p.m. | Molly Firth, <i>R.I.P.</i> |
| Sunday | 9 a.m. | Dowling Family deceased |
| | 11 a.m. | People of the Parish |

Intentions Week Beginning 16th November 2009

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| Monday | 9 a.m. | Rita Gill, <i>R.I.P.</i> |
| Tuesday | 9 a.m. | Holy Souls |
| Wednesday | 9 a.m. | George Rimmer, <i>R.I.P.</i> |
| Thursday | 9 a.m. | Bill Hallihan, (sick) |
| Friday | 9 a.m. | Patrick Conneely, <i>R.I.P.</i> |
| Saturday | 6 p.m. | Deborah Byrne, <i>R.I.P.</i> |
| Sunday | 9 a.m. | People of the Parish |
| | 11 a.m. | Jeannette Mulligan |

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

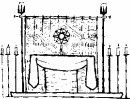
Confessions: Saturday 11.30 to 12 noon and after 6 p.m. Mass

Please pray for the sick: Yvonne Morrall, Doris Scott, John Hannis, Ellen Day, Karen Toohy, Paulette Jarrold, Amy O'Day, Elsie Moore, Doug Barker, Julie Eke, Mike Collett, Annette Goodchild, Betty O'Mahoney, Kathleen Flower, Gladys Saunders, Arthur Devereaux, Jennifer Peacock, David Jolly.

HOLY HOUR

Monday
at 8pm in Church.

All Welcome



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Friday for an hour
after 9 a.m. Mass
and on Tuesday till 12.30

Jesus awaits you



ROSARY GROUP

Friday at 5.00 p.m. at the
home of Charles Ward
22 Vicarage Road

Coopersale
All Welcome



Offerings

£ 1330.44

Of which CAFOD

£40

Thank you