



# Newsletter

## The Immaculate Conception Epping

**St Peter and St Paul**

**28th June 2009**

My Dear Friends,

Today we keep the solemn Feast of St Peter and St Paul. In a few days we celebrate the birth of St John the Baptist. All three were fearless witnesses to Christ and all three died for the sake of their conscience. One of the distinguishing marks of the Church is that it is apostolic: That is to say it holds and teaches the faith first taught by the apostles and handed on by them to us through the Scriptures of the New Testament. We believe that the Bishops in communion with the Pope, successor of St. Peter, are heirs to the apostles. We pray at every Mass both for the Pope and for our local Bishop that they may be strengthened to fulfill worthily the demands of their high office. We pray also for ourselves that we too may remain faithful to the doctrine of the apostles not simply in words but also in deed and in truth.

I have just returned from a refreshing break in Italy. I spent nine days in Assisi, the lovely hill town in Umbria where St. Francis was born and which still retains his spirit of joy and praise for all God's good creation. My Australian friends Fathers Michael and Richard also found the experience very fulfilling. However, it is good to be back.

God bless you always,

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## **CHILD PROTECTION PETITION DAY 4TH JULY**

Please help STOP schools being turned into abortion referral centres! The Government is giving school nurses a clear remit to refer for abortions without informing parents. When a girl under 16 is sent for a secret abortion, it means that an innocent baby dies & a vulnerable teenager has to cope with the attendant trauma without parental support. There is a petition on our notice board protesting against this. ***If you care about Life, we ask you to please sign it.***

## **MEMBERS OF THE PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL**

Will members please collect their copies of the minutes of June 3rd from the post box. A copy of the minutes is on the notice board and on the parish website.

## **MAGAZINE EDITOR**

Father James is looking for a volunteer to edit a parish magazine for our parish. Only two issues a year. Please let him or Deacon Duncan know if you are interested.

## **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!

## **FONT AND LECTERN**

Drawings of the proposed new font and lectern are on view in the church porch for parishioners' inspection.

## **PARISH BUDGET**

The Finance and Development Committee has approved a budget for the current tax year - total expenditure forecast: £106,852 against an expected income of £95,358. We are therefore expecting a deficit of £11,494 although we start the current year with funds of £77,509. For more detail, please speak to a member of the committee.

## **EPPING CHURCH CHOIRS ASSOCIATION (E.C.C.A.)**

You are warmly invited to ECCA's Summer Concert entitled "Some Enchanted Evening" on Saturday 11th July in St John's Epping at 7.30 p. m. for a programme of both secular and sacred music. Admission is FREE. Programme: £2. Refreshments available during the interval.

### **HOLY GHOST FATHERS' MISSIONARY APPEAL**

Thanks to all who responded to Fr. Amadus' appeal two weeks ago. If you have a contribution to make to the appeal, please either put it IN A PLAIN ENVELOPE marked 'HOLY GHOST FATHERS' and place it on the offertory plate, or hand it to an usher. A further £130 was collected. Thank you.

### **JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP**

There will be a meeting of the group on Wednesday 1st July at 8.00 p.m. in the Presbytery. Any interested parishioner will be welcomed.

### **BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL SINGERS AT CHINGFORD**

Brentwood Cathedral Singers are making a return visit to Our Lady of Grace, Station Road, Chingford on Sunday 12th July. Tickets are £7. Bookings please call 07973 686756 or e-mail [music@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:music@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

### **A YEAR FOR PRIESTS**

To celebrate the Year for Priests there is Adoration every Thursday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Abbotswick House of Prayer. Please do come and join us in praying for our Priests. Further details and directions visit our website: [www.abbotswick.org](http://www.abbotswick.org) or call 01277 373959.

### **HIRE OUR HALL FOR YOUR EVENT!**

Phone Arnold on 01992 573633.

### **REQUIRED FOR JANUARY 2010**

St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Romford. The Governor wish to appoint a class teacher (Core Leader for Learning TLR2b(4 130) Please apply for a Job Description and application form from the school on 01708 745506. Closing date 3rd July.

### **NEW PARISHIONERS:**

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

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday	6.00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday (St Peter and St Paul)	9.00 a.m.	Joseph Than
	11.00 a.m.	Rachel and John Richardson W/A
Monday	9.00 a.m.	Thecla Floor
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Joe Green R.I.P.
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Nancy and Tony Allen
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Rosalie Shannon R.I.P.
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Jeremiah Kingston
Saturday	6.00 p.m.	Annie Ryan R.I.P.
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Pamela Flipping
	11.00 a.m.	People of the Parish

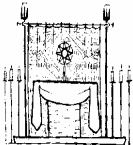
**Morning Prayer** will be held in the week 15 minutes before 9 am Mass.

**Confessions:** Saturday 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, Christine King, Gladys Saunders, Arthur Devereaux, Bernadette Mills.

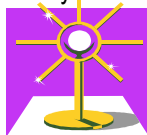
### **HOLY HOUR**

next on Monday 29th June  
at 8 pm in Church.  
*All Welcome.*



### **Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament**

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



### **ROSARY GROUP**

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



### **Offerings**

£ 1,128.42

Mission Appeal + £130

**of which CAFOD:**

£ 80.03

**Thank you**