



Sunday 25th April 2010
Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)

Diocese of Brentwood - Registered Charity No. 234092

CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE HOLY CROSS

Holy Cross Church

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**For Hall and Parish Centre bookings, please ring
01708 853130 during Parish Office hours:
Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30pm –
5.00pm; Saturday 9.00am – 12 noon.**

SUNDAY COFFEE MORNING

after 9.00am Mass **in the Presbytery**. All are welcome!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE

The next session of the course will be held on **Saturday 8th May at 10.00am in the parish centre**. Please note there is no session on 1st May.

CONFIRMATION COURSE

The first session will take place on **Wednesday 28th April 2010 at 7.30pm** in the parish centre. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Sunday 23rd May 2010**.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please note that if you require a Mass to be offered on a specific date, at least **6 months** notice must be given to avoid disappointment. Please complete a "Mass Offering" envelope with the details of the intention, the date you require and your contact details. You will then be contacted if your request can not be fulfilled.

THE BELL FUND

The draw for February will take place on **Monday 3rd May**. The prize fund currently stands at **£42**. **Each bell costs £2** with £1 allocated to the prize fund and £1 to the bell fund. The prize fund will increase as the bells are sold.

APF MISSION BOXES

The red collection boxes are now due for emptying and counting. Please would you hand them to Patricia Turmel as soon as possible.

QUIZ NIGHT

The monthly quiz night will take place on **Friday 7th May** in the parish centre at 8.00pm. The bar will be open from 7.30pm. Teams of up to 8 adults. All are welcome.

BELL FUND – RINGING SPONSORSHIP

Fr Philip plans to ring a Quarter Peal (Approximately 45 minutes of continuous ringing) at as many Holy Cross churches with rings of bells (there are around fifty in total) during this year. The purpose is to raise funds for the installation of the bells in our own Holy Cross Church. You can sponsor Fr Philip for an amount per Quarter Peal rung, or a maximum amount you are willing to contribute. Progress reports will be made available throughout the year. Fr Philip has the sponsorship forms if you are interested.

DEANERY DAY OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS AND VOCATIONS

There will be a day of prayer at Abbotswick House, Navestock Side, Brentwood, CM14 5SH on **Thursday 6th May 2010** from 11.00am until 5.00pm. All are welcome.

VOCATIONS SUPPORT IN BRENTWOOD DIOCESE

If you are considering a vocation to the Priesthood, or are just curious about what such a vocation could look like, log onto

www.brentwoodvocations.org.

The site includes the **Priests' blog** – fourteen Priests sharing aspects of their daily life and ministry – as well as lots of useful resources. You could also look at

www.invocation.org.uk for news

of a weekend in July with tremendous speakers and other input for men and women aged 18-35 considering vocation. If you would like a deeper conversation, or want to make a first enquiry, do talk to your own parish priest or contact Mgr John Armitage or Fr Dominic Howarth – details on the vocations website.

ST. HELEN'S CATHOLIC INFANT SCHOOL, SAWYERS HALL LANE, BRENTWOOD

Required 1st Sep. 2010.

Foundation Stage / Key Stage 1 Teacher

For further information and application forms and/or to arrange visits, please contact the school office on 01277 215626.

Alternatively, application forms are available on the school website www.sthelensinf.ik.org.

Closing Date: 4pm, 06/05/10

Interviews Held: 14/05/10

SVP ST JOHN BOSCO CAMP Offers children aged 8-13 a sports and activity based holiday on a campsite in the Essex countryside. Run with a Catholic ethos, the camp is especially for children who may not have any other holiday this year. For all the details, including possible financial support, contact the parish office.

Helpers for the Camp are also needed; it is a brilliant experience and just a week of your time could make a massive difference. Helpers aged 16+ are welcome; helpers aged 18+ are especially needed. For many more details and for application forms log onto

www.svpboscocamp.org.uk

PLEASE PRAY for the Sick & Housebound, especially:

Gerard Allison, Peg Dennison and Robert Shean

Please also remember in your prayers those who care for them.

To add a name to the list, please complete a form available in the porch and return it to the presbytery.

COUNTING ROTA

26th April – Sheila Higginson

3rd May – Patricia Turmel

COFFEE MORNING ROTA

This Sunday – Team E

Next Sunday – Team F

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS' ROTA

This Sunday - Teams D/I/N (5)

Next Sunday - Teams A/F/K (3)



Offertory Collection

17th / 18th April £ 693.58
(£ 493.50 was gift aided)



Water Fund

Raised last week – £ 9.65
(£ 0.00 was gift aided)

Total from 21st Feb. - £2,269.66

Bell Fund

Raised to date £3,941.00



April Draw Prize Fund =
*£42.00

*(This figure goes up as the bells are sold each week)

Thank you for your generosity

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Before Saturday 9.30am Mass

.... or upon request.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Each **Monday** in **Holy Cross Church** from **10.00am – 11.00am**

The **Rosary** is said before all week day morning Liturgies.

MASS INTENTIONS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

Saturday 24th April

St Mellitus

People of the Parish

5.30pm

Sunday 25th April

Colin Sadler R.I.P.

9.00am

*God's Continued Blessings on
The Quartey Family*

11.00am

Monday 26th April

Kath. Treble R.I.P.

9.30am

Tuesday 27th April

Eucharistic Service

9.30am

Wednesday 28th April

Violet & Andy McCormack R.I.P.

9.30am

Thursday 29th April

St Catherine of Siena

Kath. Treble R.I.P.

9.30am

Friday 30th April

Diane McCormack R.I.P.

9.30am

Saturday 1st May

Eucharistic Service

9.30am

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

Saturday 2nd May

Adam Potts R.I.P.

5.30pm

Sunday 3rd May

Kath. Treble R.I.P.

9.00am

People of the Parish

11.00am

Dates for your Diary

Fri. 7th May – Monthly Quiz Night

**23rd May – Pentecost Sunday
(Confirmation)**

**6th June – Pastoral Parish
Council Meeting**

**20th & 27th June – First Holy
Communion Masses**