



**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2010**  
Sixth Sunday of the Year (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!

## **WELCOME**

Welcome and thanks to Fr Francis van Son, who will be celebrating all Masses this weekend.

## **RETIRING COLLECTION**

There will be a retiring collection this weekend for the Lourdes Sick & Helpers Pilgrimage Fund. Please gift aid your donations, where possible.

## **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February**. Although Ash Wednesday is not a holyday of obligation there will be Masses held that day at 9.30am and 7.30pm which includes the Service of Ashes.

## **OFFERTORY GIVING**

Some of you may not be aware that it is possible to make your offertory giving via standing order. Standing order payments can be gift aided too. Payment via standing order, greatly reduces the amount of administration associated with cash payments. If you are interested in using this method, please complete a form and return it to the parish office. If you **do not** wish to gift aid your standing order payments, please indicate this on the form. Forms are available in the porch. For other ways to help the parish or diocese raise funds visit the Diocese website:

<http://dioceseofbrentwood.net/donate/>

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE**

The next session of the course will be held on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>**

**February at 10.00am in the parish centre.**

**(Note: there will no sessions on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of February).**

There will also be a celebration Mass on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00am.**

## **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.

## **CONFIRMATION**

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish on **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2010**. The retreat has been booked for the weekend of **14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> May 2010**. If you will be fourteen years old (or older) this year and would like to be confirmed, please take a form from the church porch, and complete and return it, with a copy of your baptism certificate, as soon as possible.

## **THE BELL FUND**

The draw for February will take place on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March**. The prize fund currently stands at **£32**. **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.

## **VACANCY**

Deputy Head teacher required from September 2010 at **St Anne Line Catholic Junior School, Basildon**. Contact the Head teacher Mr. Martin Larrett on 01268 470444 for full details.

## **DIOCESE EDITION OF "WALK WITH ME" – A LENTEN JOURNEY OF PRAYER**

Lent begins on 17<sup>th</sup> February and the diocesan edition of 'Walk with Me' is now on sale and costs £1. 'Walk with Me' is published by Alive Publishing, who also produce 'Bible Alive' and 'Take and Read', and is designed to assist people with daily prayer, reflection and reading of Scripture throughout Lent. The theme for Lent 2010 is 'justice'.

## **PLEASE PRAY for the Sick & Housebound, especially:**

Gerard Allison, Christopher Azoba, Kathleen Baucutt, Sandra Barraclough, Grace Bullen, John Cairns, Tony Chubb, Patricia Clancy, Minnie Cummings, Monica Daley, Rose Deighan, Peg Dennison, Grace Doherty, Tracy Edmeades, Veronica Edmund, Flora Elliot, Ian Gledell, John Gore, Val Griffiths, Alan Hamer, Josie Holly, Brenda Hopper, Kirstin Jones, Quentin Lewis, Eileen Lyons, Rita MacDonald, Gwen McCormack, Molly McGovan, Elsie Masters, Don Migone, Susan Murphy, Christopher Onukwuba, David Orme, Irene Robinson, Ronald Robinson, Ann Rowntree, Louise Scott, Robert Shean, Brenda Stephenson, Jean Stowe, Ciarann Stukins and Dot Wooding.

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

## COUNTING ROTA

15th Feb. – Patricia Turmel

22nd Feb. – Mandy Baldrey

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## COFFEE MORNING ROTA

This Sunday – Team A

Next Sunday – Team B

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## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' ROTA

This Sunday - Teams B/G/L (1)

Next Sunday - Teams C/H/M (2)

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## Offertory Collection

6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> Feb. £ 864.68  
(£ 613.00 was gift aided)

## Water Fund

Raised last week – £ 9.85  
(£ 0 was gift aided)

Total from 21<sup>st</sup> Feb. - £2,219.12

## Bell Fund

Raised to date £3,801.00

**Feb. Draw Prize Fund =**  
\*£32.00

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

**Thank you for your generosity**

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**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

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C)

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2010**

*Brian Kennedy R.I.P.*

**5.30pm**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February**

*Matthew Monksfield R.I.P.*

**9.00am**

*Russell Crickmore R.I.P.*

**11.00am**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February**

*Eucharistic Service*

**9.30am**

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February**

*Eucharistic Service*

**9.30am**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February**

*Ash Wednesday*

*Lil Green R.I.P.*

**9.30am**

*People of the Parish*

**7.30pm**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

*Matthew Monksfield R.I.P.*

**9.30am**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February**

*Ernie Wiener R.I.P. (Anniv.)*

**9.30am**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

*Matthew Monksfield R.I.P.*

**9.30am**

### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (C)

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

*Maureen O'Sullivan R.I.P. (Anniv.)*

**5.30pm**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

*Betty Joy R.I.P. (Anniv.)*

**9.00am**

*People of the Parish*

**11.00am**

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## Dates for your Diary

**Fri. 5<sup>th</sup> March – Monthly Quiz Night**

**Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> March – Parish Council Meeting**

**Sat. 13<sup>th</sup> March – St Patrick's Night**