



Sunday 19th July 2009
Sixteenth Sunday of the Year (B)

Diocese of Brentwood - Registered Charity No. 234092

CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE HOLY CROSS

Holy Cross Church

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SUNDAY COFFEE MORNING

...after the 9.00am Mass **in the Presbytery**, everyone is welcome.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our parish community, **Charlie Chamberlain and Shyanne Cereno** who will be baptised this weekend.

AFRICAN MASS

Thank you to the organisers of the Mass last weekend, which was a very special occasion and was well supported.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE

The course is currently being planned for children who will receive their First Holy Communion in 2010. If your child will be in year 3 or above this September and would like to participate in the course, please take a form from the back of either Church and return it to the Presbytery before **Sunday 31st August 2009.**

WEDNESDAY LUNCH CLUB

Volunteers are required to help restart the "Wednesday lunch club" for the retired of our parish and the local community. The lady who used to run the club is unable to continue. You would be required to prepare a cooked meal for a small group each week using the Church hall and facilities on a voluntary basis. If you are interested, please contact the parish office or speak to Fr Philip.

THE BELL FUND

As many of you will be aware, our parish is attempting to raise funds to have eight bells installed in our Church. In order to do this, we will need to raise approximately £50,000. As part of this fund raising effort, a new monthly prize draw will be introduced. There will be sheets of numbered bells in the porch of the Church. Each bell will cost £2 and to enter the draw, you add your name to the bell and place your £2 in a marked envelope with your name and bell number. £1 goes to the bell fund and £1 goes to the prize fund. The draw will take place on the last Friday of each calendar month. **The first draw will take place on Friday 31st July and currently stands at £73.00!** The winner will published in the newsletter.

PARISH COUNCIL

The parish council is a small representative body of parishioners who meet every three months for about 2 hours, to discuss matters concerning the parish. The next meeting is due to take on **27th September**. If you would like to nominate someone to join the parish council, please complete a nomination form in the porch (please ask the person you are nominating first!) and hand it to Fr Philip. If you are an existing parish council member and can not make the next meeting, please remember to send in your apologies, prior to the meeting!

SUMMER "RIDDLE ME REE" QUIZ NOW ON SALE

This years challenging summer quiz is entitled "Riddle Me Ree" devised by Janice & Gary Green. If you would like to have a go, they cost £1 and are on sale in the porch of the Church. The proceeds go to St Luke's Hospice. The winning prize is £10 and must be returned no later than **7th September** to either Jacky Phillips or Fr Philip.

WANTED

Do you have any unwanted religious books or articles? If so, Fr Ambrose who is in Sierra Leone would be very grateful to receive them. Please leave any donations for him at the repository of our Church.

THURROCK FESTIVAL

Thurrock Council is holding the annual Thurrock Festival to celebrate our modern and vibrant borough. It's a free festival packed full of major acts, entertainment and interactive experiences, good food and great music.

The council want all of you go to Grays beach on **Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th July** and celebrate all that is Thurrock with us. The festival starts at 10.00am. Please see the poster in the porch of the Church for full details.

PLEASE PRAY

For the repose of the soul of **Geoffrey Whitwood**, who died recently and keep his family in your prayers at this difficult time.

PLEASE PRAY for the Sick & Housebound, especially:

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

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

If there are any changes to the list of names, please contact the

COUNTING ROTA

20th July – Lisa Knight

27th July – Sheila Higginson

COFFEE MORNING ROTA

This Sunday – Team A

Next Sunday – Team B

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' ROTA

This Sunday - Teams C/H/M (5)

Next Sunday - Teams D/I/N (1)

Offertory Collection

11th / 12th July = £ 1,019.66
(£562.66 was gift aided)

Water Fund

Raised last week – £11.99
(£0.00 was gift aided)

Total from 21st February - £861.43

Bell Fund

Raised to date £1,079.00

July Draw Prize Fund = *£73.00

*(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 weekday morning Liturgies.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 18th July 2009

In Thanksgiving 9.30am

Patrick Fanning R.I.P. 5.30pm

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9.00am *Kathleen Reilly R.I.P.*

11.00am *People of the Parish*

Monday 20th July 9.30am

Lil. Mahoney, Family and Friends

Tuesday 21st July 9.30am

Eucharistic Service

Wednesday 22nd July 9.30am

St Mary Magdalene

Douglas Barnes-White R.I.P.

Thursday 23rd July 9.30am

St Brigid of Sweden

Annie Phillips R.I.P.

Friday 24th July 9.30am

Annie Phillips R.I.P.

Saturday 25th July

St James

Charlie Mahoney R.I.P. 9.30am

Annie Phillips R.I.P. 5.30pm

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Seventeenth Sunday of the Year (B)

9.00am *Betty Joy R.I.P.*

11.00am *People of the Parish*

Dates for your Diary

Fri. 11th Sept. – Monthly Quiz Night

Sun. 13th Sept. – Parish Feast Day BBQ

Sun. 27th Sept. – Parish Council Meeting