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OUR LADY IMMACULATE  
TOLWORTH

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While on retreat two weeks ago I bought a book 'The Art of Dying and Living' by Kerry Walters. He writes "Many of us die badly not because we are wicked or bad people but because we simply haven't been taught how to die well." He suggests that we need to cultivate the virtues during our life. Doing this not only helps us cope with dying, it also makes our experience of dying a rich opportunity for learning some final truths about life and ourselves. Each chapter of the book is devoted to a well known contemporary Christian who shows us how virtue helped their living and dying. Among them was Pope John Paul and Cardinal Joseph Bernadine. If I was writing a similar book I would add Michael Evans, Bishop and dear friend.

On Wednesday I was at the Norwich Catholic Cathedral for his funeral. Attended by over two thousand people it was a moving and sad occasion yet filled with the expectant hope of eternal life. Michael and I started our training for the priesthood together in September 1969. There we became firm friends. Soon after he became bishop in 2003 he was diagnosed with prostate cancer and at Christmas last year was told he only had a few weeks to live. Then Michael said, "As I live now under the shadow of death, my prayer is very much that of St Paul, that I may know something of the power of Christ's resurrection and a share in his sufferings".

Unlike myself he was the most organised of men. God gave him more than two weeks in which to prepare for that final journey. I saw him

immediately after Christmas and then our ordination year met with him last month overnight to celebrate Mass and have a meal together. It was the 36th anniversary of his ordination. We reminisced, shared stories, and left the next day knowing this was the last time we would see him alive.

When he knew he had only a short time to live his wish was to carry on the work of a bishop till the end of his life. In the last weeks of his life I believe he learnt how to let others help him and care for him. For so many years as a priest and bishop he was the one who did the caring and shepherding. As bishop he loved his calling to teach and he taught me by his life, especially in the last months, to completely put your trust in God. He had a great

love for C.S. Lewis and the Story of Narnia. Many years ago he asked me to draw Aslan and the picture still hangs on the wall of his living room. He was fond of quoting the last lines of the final book "The Last Battle":-

"And for us this is the end of all stories, and we can most truly say that they lived happily ever after. But for them it was only the beginning of the real story. All their life in this world and all their adventures in Narnia had only been the cover and the title page: now at last they were beginning Chapter One of the Great Story which no one on earth has read: which goes on for ever: in which every chapter is better than the one before."

Michael has begun his great adventure for which he has been preparing for the last fifty nine years.



**SATURDAY/SUNDAY 23rd/24th July 2011**

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**

<b>Sat</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	Sandracanthy David RIP (Auda Wamsteker)
	<b>8pm</b>	Mass in Korean
<b>Sun</b>	<b>9am</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>11am</b>	Keith Howell RIP (Josie Espiritu)
	<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Baptism: Alexander Anthony Nagendran &amp; Max Martin Botterill-Lynch</b>
	<b>2pm</b>	Mass in Korean
	<b>6pm</b>	Bella Liyanage RIP (Anne Sebastian)

**Special Retiring collection for SURVIVE-MIVA** (See page 3)

**Daily Masses 25th July to 30th July 2011**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>St James 'the Great', apostle</b>
	<b>7am</b> Holy Souls
	<b>9.30am</b> Welfare of Canon Frank O'Sullivan (Mary Taylor)
<b>Tues</b>	<b>St Joachim &amp; St Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
	<b>7am</b> Bertha D'Costa— 90th Birthday (Rosemary Durkin)
	<b>9.30am</b> Gabriel Aseervatham RIP (Matilda)
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Feria</b>
	<b>7am</b> Welfare of Thelma Staussi (Rosemary Durkin)
	<b>9.30am</b> Recovery of Mary Ryan (Marie Turnpenny)
<b>Thur</b>	<b>Feria</b>
	<b>7am</b> Carmelo & Antonia Teuma RIP (Eugenia Claridge)
	<b>9.30am</b> Michaela Rodrigues : In Thanksgiving (Family)
<b>Fri</b>	<b>St Martha</b>
	<b>7am</b> Holy Souls
	<b>9.30am</b> George Reed RIP (Kathy Reed)
	<b>10am</b> <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Feria</b>
	<b>9am</b> Jagan "Jim" Tammalapalli RIP (Mrs Finucane)
	<b>12pm</b> <b>Baptism: Bobby Dennis Elkin</b>
	<b>3pm</b> <b>Wedding— Darren Fernandez &amp; Sheena Neeliah</b>
	<b>4.30pm</b> <b>Wedding Blessing— Andrew &amp; Kelly Bethell</b>

**SATURDAY/SUNDAY 30th/31st July 2011**

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**

<b>Sat</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	Ann Keane (Cruse Family)
	<b>8pm</b>	Mass in Korean
<b>Sun</b>	<b>9am</b>	People of the Parish
		<b>Baptism during Mass: Alexander James Schlachter</b>
	<b>11am</b>	Colin & Claire Stevens— 40th Wedding Anniversary (Donna Dove and Family)
	<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Baptism : Nessie Stanley Dabreo &amp; Georgia Rose Parker</b>
	<b>2pm</b>	Mass in Korean
	<b>6pm</b>	Albert & Alice Edwards RIP (Christine Edwards)

**Retiring Collection— Day for Life**

**Last week's Offertory Collection**

**for the upkeep of the church : £1,896**

We thank you for your continued generosity .

(Cash counters this week: Stephen & Susan Fleming

Next week: Allan & Marie-Helene Cook)

**READINGS**

**This Week: 17th Sunday in OT (A)**

**First Reading** 1 Kings 3:5. 7-12

When King Solomon is offered any gift from God, he chooses not riches, nor power, but the wisdom of a discerning heart.

**Second Reading** Romans 8:28-30

St Paul assures us that despite our sufferings the Lord will bring about his purpose, which is to share his glory now and more fully at the end of time.

**Gospel** Matthew 13:44-52

Jesus compares the kingdom of God to the finding of a treasure and a rare pearl. Both demand a committed response.

**Next Week: 18th Sunday in OT (A)**

**First Reading** Isaiah 55:1-3

The prophet calls us to fullness of life. Listen and your soul will live.

**Second Reading** Romans 8:35. 37-39

Paul proclaims the utter certainty of Christ's triumph over death.

**Gospel** Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus escapes the threats of Herod, and meets the needs of the crowds

We pray for all **the faithful departed** who have died recently, especially:- **Bishop Michael Evans, Raffaele Ambroselli, David Welbourn, Maria Goncalves, Sheila Jepson, John Grogan, Marie Graca, Mairael Doca and Mary Linstead.** We pray for all those who mourn and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. We remember all our **sick and elderly parishioners**, those in hospital, the housebound and those who care for them; Gerrard Dodds, Mora Witton, Stephen Fleming, Derek Wells, Mary Ryan, Luke Nolan, Charlie Cannon, Roisin Loftus, Theresa Keys, Maureen Dillon, Ellie Strudwick, Michael Pearson, Felicia Nazareth, Peter Ashdown, Anna Szymanska, Mary McDonnagh, Fr Simon Peat, Baby Thomas Haley, Anna Maria Maini, Veronica Heaton, Maureen Wilson, James Austin, Elizabeth Joège, Joan Lancaster, Francis Nazareth, Sergio Della Grotta, Marie Bast, John Ingrassci, Baby Patrick Ferris, George Matthew, Odile Froger, Clint Samson, Jenny Sathirasegaram, Ann McNicol, Eileen Rosenberg, Bridget McNally, Brenda Flaherty, Rowan Wolsgrove, Marcus Bird, Charles Thurley, Sandra Burlinson, Sophie Burrridge, Sam Hitchin, Rene Boffa, Richard Manche, Nicky Bushell, Shirley Enright, Tom Tyler, Finn Jordan, Margaret Inskip, Giancarlo Palermo, John Gleeson, Eva Hansford, Jeffrey D'Cruz, George Hayes, Michael Hoskins, Michael Byrne, Martin Dray, Kay Bridgland, Seema Day, Graham Taylor, Freda Sirmon, Samantha Nosalik, Manual Pillai, Fay Kearney, Richard Trutwein, Winna Duncan, Jennifer McIntyre, Carl Williams, Bridie O'Driscoll, Christine Keane, Josephine Bull, Vic Carrion, Norma Latham and Mary Bastiampillai.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturday 9.30am to 10am and**

**Saturday 5.30pm to 6pm**



We welcome into the Church **Chloe Isobel Bodycombe & Mishelle Mihaylor** who were baptised last weekend

***St Catherine of Siena Chessington,***

***Summer Dance Friday 29 July .***

The Parishioners of St Catherine of Siena RC Church, invite you to their Summer Dance on Friday 29 July in the Parish Hall on 100 Leatherhead Road, Chessington from 7.30 p.m to 11.00 pm. Ticket price £10 per head includes a buffet meal and live music to the popular Kevin Keys Entertainment. You are requested to bring along your own liquid refreshments. Parking is available. Contact Maureen Clune 0208 397 2321 for tickets.

### **Do you need a great cleaner?**

Excellent Polish cleaner with references would like more work in this area. She already cleans several parishioners' houses very successfully. Please phone 07725190392

The **Society of Our Lady of Lourdes** is holding a Summer Party in the grounds of Allen Hall -

Chelsea (on the site of St Thomas More's old home). **Saturday 30th July:** Mass 1pm Party 2.30pm to 6.30pm Tickets £12.50 available from Allan Cook on 020 8399 4368.

### **KINGSTON & DISTRICT LIFE GROUP**

Baby clothes and equipment are urgently needed by the Kingston LIFE Group. This group supports women with crisis pregnancies, so your donations can make a huge difference to the lives of these mothers and babies.

Please call Therese Walker on 020 8390 1080 for collection, or bring your donations to the Presbytery.

### **WEBSITE UPDATES:-**

- ◆ Description of our icon in the Memorial Chapel with pictures (Gallery & Tour of Church)
- ◆ Gift Aid information and application form uploaded (Our Parish)

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2012**

Please note that forms to register your child for First Holy Communion preparation for 2012 are available at the back of the church.

Fr Anthony and Fr Arbo will be available to sign these forms on Monday 25th July from 3pm to 4pm and Tuesday 26 July from 6pm to 7pm.

More dates for form signing will appear in the newsletter each week throughout the summer so please do not worry if you can't make these times—there will be plenty of other opportunities.

### **SPECIAL APPEAL**

#### **AT ALL MASSES**

#### **SURVIVE-MIVA**

(UK Registered Charity No. 268745)



is a Catholic lay Association which provides grants to fund essential transport for priests and religious bringing health care and pastoral support to remote communities in under-developed countries across Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Last year (2010) they supplied 219 modes of transport to 8 countries. This total was comprised of: 16 community health outreach vehicles; 29 motorbikes; 2 outboard motors; 1 boat plus outboard motor; 1 auto-rickshaw; 140 bicycles; and 30 mules (for catechists in Ethiopia).

One of the vehicle grants made in 2010 was for £3,000; it was used to buy a motorbike for a parish priest in Uganda serving 20 sub-stations. Also, a grant of £8,100 bought a jeep to act as a mobile clinic/ambulance for the Daughters of the Cross congregation who have a dispensary and 10-bed mini-hospital at Phalsa Mission, Orissa State, India. The Sisters serve 20 villages in a locality where public transport is poor and the nearest large hospital is 25 miles away.

To make a donation or to find out more about the work of the Association contact can be made at:-

**SURVIVE-MIVA**  
**5 Park Vale Road**  
**Liverpool L9 2DG**

**E-mail: [info@survive-miva](mailto:info@survive-miva)**  
**Tel: 0151 523 3878**

**Website: [www.survive-miva.org](http://www.survive-miva.org)**

Fr Anthony, Fr Arbo, Fr Tahir and Deacon Al wish everyone a happy and restful summer.

## **The New Translation - Why do we need one?**

As we have already seen, until the early 1960s, Mass was celebrated in Latin throughout the world. At the Second Vatican Council it was agreed that the Mass could be celebrated in our own language, and in 1970 Pope Paul VI agreed the official Latin text that would be used. This was then translated into different languages to be used throughout the world. It proved to be a huge task which was completed in a very short time. However, because it was done so quickly, some of the richness of the original Latin prayers was, quite literally, 'lost in translation'. It was seen that a further translation was needed. The new translation would keep the original words, meaning and style of the Latin as far as possible. The new translation also means a new edition of the Missal which will include some additional text such as, prayers for the saints who have been added by the Church to the liturgical calendar.

## **ST PETERSBURG BLAGOVEST ENSEMBLE - CONCERT IN OLI:**

On Wednesday 28th September at 7.30pm, the amazing St Petersburg Blagovest Ensemble (yes, all the way from Russia) will be performing in church a programme of Russian Orthodox Sacred Music and Russian folk songs. All members of the ensemble are professional musicians and in their 20's, so at the start of their careers in music, and perform with institutions such as the Russian State Opera or the Moscow Opera. They are extremely good, and are making a return appearance here based on a number of requests from parishioners and local people who have heard them before (2008 they were last here), so please don't miss this unique and amazing opportunity to hear some of the best singers in the world. Tickets are on sale at £10 for adults or £5 for under 16's. Children are very welcome, but it is a concert, so as silence is needed throughout, it would be unsuitable for babies or very young children. Tickets can be purchased by cash or cheque (payable to Our Lady Immaculate) and left at the presbytery (please enclose a stamped addressed envelope for the return of the tickets). Any queries, please call Andrew Richardson on 0208 399 3466 or [an-drew@andrewkrichardson.co.uk](mailto:andrew@andrewkrichardson.co.uk)

## **READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**New rotas are available in the RDJ Room after all Masses this weekend. Please ensure you pick yours up, as the new rota commences next weekend. Thank you.**

## **GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT**

Our next talk will take place tomorrow (Monday 25th July), and the theme will be 'Fear of the Lord' and our guest speaker is Duncan Mitchell, Prior Cor et Lumen Christi Community. The evening starts at 7.30pm in the Hall. Please do join us— all are welcome.

## **HELP NEEDED**

We are looking for volunteers to help with the washing of our Altar Server albs. We are planning to start a monthly rota, so if you can help, please give your name and contact details to one of the priests or to Elaine in the Parish Office.

## **JOURNEY IN FAITH (RCIA)**

This is a group formed to help adults of other faiths, Christian denominations or none, to find out about the Catholic faith, as well as those who have been baptised Catholics, but have not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation, and now wish to do so.

Meetings will be held every Wednesday evening from September 2011, and will start from 7.45/8pm. Meetings are held in the RDJ Room.

If you are interested, please give your contact details to one of the priests, or drop them into the Presbytery, or contact Fiona Perks on 020 8224 9412. Please mark the envelope RCIA.

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