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A new year! How are your resolutions going? Last week I suggested during my homily that we should substitute our lists of new year resolutions with the simple question to our loving Father-' What do you want me to do for you this year, Lord?' We need to ponder the scriptures and listen to the Church. In scripture today the wise men met the saviour of the world and did him homage. The star led them to Christ. The first reading from Isaiah says ; "though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples, above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears. The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness."

In October this year the bishops throughout the world will meet to reflect on the New Evangelisation.

A preliminary paper has already been written in preparation so that the Church throughout the world can reflect and contribute to this Synod.

Eventually after the Synod the Pope will write to the Catholics throughout the world reflecting on what was said.

Pope John Paul said this some years ago. "The commemoration of this half millennium of evangelization will have full significance if, as bishops, with your priests and faithful, you accept it as your commitment; a commitment not of re-evangelization, but rather of a new evangelization; new in its ardour, methods and expression."

So the preliminary document says of this quote, "Consequently, the new evangelization is not a matter of redoing something which has been inadequately done or has not achieved its purpose, as if the new ac-

tivity were an implicit judgment on the failure of the first evangelization. Nor is the new evangelization taking up the first evangelization again, or simply repeating the past. Instead, it is the courage to forge new paths in responding to the changing circumstances and conditions facing the Church in her call to proclaim and live the Gospel today."

We need to recognise and name the changing circumstances and conditions facing the Church in 2012. We need to consider how we should proclaim and live the Gospel today. How do we help people come to the light.? How do we enable people to discover Jesus as the wise men did? This presupposes that we have discovered Jesus as the wise men did. That we do him homage.

It is important for all of us to know and love our faith as expressed in the Catholic Church. If we do this I believe it is easier to share our faith in an appropriate and attractive way. To help us I have purchased a set of DVDs made by Fr John Barron from the Diocese of Chicago called 'Catholicism.' It is an adult Formation Programme that has been created to enhance and support the Church's mission to evangelise and teach the content of faith. I had seen excerpts of this on Fr Barron's website www.wordonfire.org. Are you interested in helping put on this programme at Our Lady Immaculate? If you are, there will be a meeting on **Tuesday 17th January at 7.30pm** in the presbytery.

Fr Anthony Charlton

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 7th/8th January 2012

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (B)

- Sat 6.30pm** Welfare of John Flood (Dowling Family)
Sun 9am People of the Parish
11am Alan & Albertine King RIP &
George Saad RIP (Christine Saad)
12.30pm **Baptism: Silvia Mary Shea**
6pm John Kerr RIP (Maureen Kerr)

Daily Masses 9th-14th January 2012

Mon THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (B)

9.30am Basseý Ambah (Mrs Tuoyo)

Tues Feria

7am John William Tumilty RIP (FM)
9.30am Tom Carroll RIP (Mrs Hill)

Wed Feria

7am Holy Souls
9.30am Intentions of Bella Gamier (Birthday)

Thur Feria

7am Holy Souls
9.30am Welfare of Michelle Staussi (Thelma)

Fri St Hilary, bishop & doctor of the Church

7am Walter Francis Sicé RIP (FM)
9.30am In Thanksgiving (Xavier Family)
10am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat Feria

9am Thomas Chacko RIP (Rosamma)

SATURDAY/SATURDAY 14th/15th January 2012

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

- Sat 6.30pm** James Keely RIP
(Kelly & O'Connor Families)
Sun 9am Emma Maria Coutinho RIP (Joseph Coutinho)
11am Gertrude Hall RIP (Josie Espiritu)
12.30pm **Baptism: Charlotte May Lawton**
6pm People of the Parish

**Last week's Offertory Collection
for the upkeep of the church :**

£2,193

We thank you for your continued generosity .
(Cash counters this week: Rob Estall & Roman Szymanski
Next week: Pam Ford and Vivian Phillips)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
(Confession)
Saturdays from 9.30am to 10am and
5.30pm to 6pm**



We welcome into the Church **Zoe Lilly Craven, Gabriel Di Lornzo, Silvia Shea & Charlotte May Lawton** who were baptised in the last two weeks.

Readings

This week: The Epiphany of Our lord Jesus Christ (B)

First Reading Isaiah 60:1-6

The prophet sees the day dawning when the glory of the Lord will be in Jerusalem.

Second Reading Ephesians 3:2-3. 5-6

Paul recalls the revelation he received about God's love for all people.

Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

Wise men come from the east to disturb one king and to worship another.

Next week: 2nd Sunday in OT (B)

First Reading 1 Samuel 3:3-10. 19

The boy Samuel hears a voice, and learns to recognise the word of the Lord.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 6:13-15. 17-20

Paul speaks about truthful human relationships and a healthy attitude to the human body.

Gospel John 1:35-42

The first disciples meet Jesus and realise they have found the Messiah.

We pray for all **the faithful departed** who have died recently, especially:- **Frank Maguire, Gill Taylor** (former OLI UCM), **Ken Goodall, Maria Montebello** (mother of Rita Ghio) and **Frances Fox**.

We pray for all those who mourn and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

We remember all our **sick and elderly parish-ioners**, those in hospital, the housebound and those who care for them; Emma Rees

(granddaughter of Toni Comer), Peter Zammit, Elizabeth Gillman, Michael O'Brien, Rhian Knapgate, Brenda Killeen, Sheila Durrant, Barbara Stevenson, Bernard Darney, Peter Groves, Baby Ella Hayes, Amandina Marsella, Mora Witton, Stephen Fleming, Derek Wells, Luke Nolan, Roisin Loftus, Theresa Keys, Maureen Dillon, Felicia Nazareth, Peter Ashdown, 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 Ingrassi, George Matthew, Odile Froger, Clint Samson, Jenny Sathirasegaram, Eileen Rosenberg, Bridget McNally, Brenda Flaherty, Rowan Wolsgrove, Marcus Bird, Charles Thurley, Sandra Burlinson, Sophie BurrIDGE, Sam Hitchin, Rene Boffa, 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, Seema Day, Graham Taylor, Freda Sirmon, Samantha Nosalik, Manual Pillai, Fay Kearney, Winna Duncan, Jennifer McIntyre, Carl Williams, Bridie O'Driscoll, Christine Keane, Josephine Bull, Vic Carrion, Norma Latham and Mary Bastiampillai.

PARISH DINNER
27th January 2012 at
the Sorrento Restaurant

It's that time of year again! Our Parish Dinner will be taking place on Friday 27th January 2012 at The Sorrento Restaurant, Ewell Road, 7.30pm for 8pm. Join us for a three course meal for £15 per head. Includes service charge. Drinks and coffee extra.

There are only a few spaces left, so please contact Elaine at the Presbytery on 020 8399 9550, or email info@olionline.co.uk to book your place.

Please arrange your own groups in advance if you would like to sit on the same table.

Saturday 21st January: Are you in your 20s or 30s? Want to meet new people and make some lasting friendships? Come and have a fun night out with the SW London 20/30s, a social group which attracts Catholics from many surrounding parishes. Now in its 5th year, the group have attendances of over 30 people each month. They will be meeting from 7.30pm for drinks at The Alexandra, 33 Wimbledon Hill Road, SW19 7NE (a two minute walk from Wimbledon Station). For more info please contact Tim: 07849 693 400 / Emma: 07539 277 395.

OLI PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

After the huge success of our trip in October 2010, we have arranged another. Full information (including some of our destinations) can be found on the poster in the narthex and on the parish website (click on "Our Parish"). There are leaflets with details regarding the pilgrimage on the window sill above where the hymn books are laid out for Mass. We will travel from 10th – 17th October 2012 on a full board basis. The price is £1,200 each (based on 2 people sharing a room) and an additional £54 if you wish to take the tour operators travel insurance. If you wish to secure a place (we have only 36 available) please place a cheque (payable to Our Lady Immaculate) in an envelope addressed to Andrew Richardson (and hand in at the presbytery) by way of a deposit for £250 per head (plus £54 for the insurance if you are taking it). Please also enclose inside the envelope your full postal address, telephone number, email (if you have one), and name for each pilgrim. Any queries, please call Andrew on 0208 399 3466.

Christmas Card Recycling

Turn your festive waste into woodland this Christmas!

With post-Christmas clean-ups underway, Marks & Spencer is calling on its customers to come into store this January and help the Woodland Trust turn festive waste into woodland by recycling old cards at stores UK-wide.

From 2-31 January 2012, specially-marked Christmas card recycling bins will be placed in over 300 participating M&S stores. M&S is committed to planting one tree with the Woodland Trust for every 1,000 Christmas cards brought into store – with the aim of saving over 10 million cards from the rubbish bin this year, equating to 10,000 new native trees.

PRIEST VERIFICATION FORMS
PRIMARY SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS FOR 2012

Fr Anthony and Fr Arbo will be available to sign forms on Wednesday 11th January from 5.30pm to 6.30pm and Thursday 12th January from 3pm to 4pm. Please note these are the last signing sessions before the deadline of 15th January.

CTS Unity Week January 2012

Please note that the following events are taking place for this year's Churches Together in Surbiton Unity Week. It would be great to see as many OLI parishioners there as possible:-

Sunday 15 th	The Covenant Service. 6.30pm
	First bimonthly CTS Service at Surbiton Hill Methodist Church
Tuesday 17 th	Prayer lunch at Tolworth URC noon with lunch at 1pm
Friday 20 th	Soup lunch at St Matthews 12.30pm
Saturday 21 st	Quiz Night at St Georges 7.30pm
Sunday 22 nd	Taize Service at St Andrews 6.00pm

2012 - International Year of
Sustainable Energy for All.

Recently, Pope Benedict received 7,000 students participating in a meeting promoted by the association for young Catholic environmentalists, 'Sorella natura'. During his address Pope Benedict said: "Respect for the human being and respect for nature are the same thing, they grow and find their just measure if we respect the Creator and His creation, both in the human creature and in nature".

January Top Tips: Make a new years resolution to use less energy by choosing one of the following:

- Walk your child to school rather than taking the car.
- Keep all lights off in the daytime, or ensure any lights left on are low-energy bulbs.
- Check you have three layers of clothing on before you decide to put the heating on.

Support the work of the Christian Ecology, Operation Noah or the Stop Climate Change coalition.