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### Have you heard the latest?

There's nothing like a good story to get people excited, especially if it is scandalous. Our newspapers increasingly make their living on this basis, but the power of anecdote and rumour has always been with us. I remember the way rumours about people spread through my school like wildfire when I was a boy, no doubt helped by the fact it was an isolated boarding school. Sometimes you would hear the same story forty eight hours later, only for it to have grown further in detail and depth of scandal. The same thing carries on at work- 'office gossip' is a standard feature of life for many people, traditionally exchanged at the coffee machine or water cooler. Now, it is quite correct that all organisations where people are living or working at close proximity will have circulating stories and rumours that are to some extent unofficial or even underground. It has even been argued that this is a healthy human activity because it means we are communicating ideas all the time, and anything that aids the free flow of information is a good thing. The internet has of course massively increased the amount of information to us, and the rapidity with which it can be shared. On one level this does represent a democratisation of information, and that has on principle to be welcomed.

But just as with those school or office rumours, there remains the niggling little question: 'Is it true?' And what once might have stayed in the confines of a remote boarding school or an anonymous office block, now goes 'viral' within hours, and is literally accessible to a global audience at the click of a mouse. And whereas rumours tend to die out or be replaced by a newer or exciting story within an or-

ganisation, internet rumours are eternal and forever downloadable- a curious kind of immortality.

For many teachers today, it is the 'cyber bullying' on social media sites that presents the greatest challenge in dealing with an age old problem. We are reminded by the Eighth Commandment that all this has a history. 'Thou shalt not bear false witness'. Couched in the Old Testament language of Law, it should properly be seen

as a general instruction to truthfulness in communication. It is not only in court that we should be concerned to speak 'the truth, the whole truth, and

nothing but the truth'. The Catechism of the Catholic Church in its exposition of the Eighth Commandment draws our attention to something very important about this. Everybody's identity is made up not only of who they are, but who they are perceived to be. Every human being has the right to be seen for who they are, and beyond that, to 'a good name'. When you take someone's good name away from them, you are robbing them of something that belongs to them and that is very precious to them.

The Catechism speaks of this when it states: 'Honour is the social witness given to human dignity and everyone enjoys a natural right to the honour of his name and reputation and to respect'. The implication, in practical terms, is that we should be in the habit of thinking of the best of others, as befits their human dignity, unless we have real evidence, 'beyond reasonable doubt' to the contrary. The great legal principle of 'innocent until proven guilty' should also apply to the way we think of, and speak about, those around us, whether at home, at school, or at work.

Deacon Nicolas von Malaisé

**T**hou shalt not bear false witness  
against thy neighbour.

Exodus 20:16

**SATURDAY/SUNDAY 17th/18th November 2012**

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**

**Prisoners' Sunday**

**Sat 6.30pm** Intentions of Canon Peter Stodart (Mary Taylor)

**Sun 9am** People of the Parish

**11am** Michael Hills RIP (Nina Hills)

**12.30pm Baptisms: Sienna Lily Silvester & Matthew Knight**

**6pm** Mrs Nagammah George RIP 10th Anniversary (Mr & Mrs Robinson)

**Daily Masses 19th-24th November 2012**

**Mon: Feria**

**9.30am** Sophie Hague RIP (Gerry Hague)

**5.30pm** Syro Malabar Mass

**Tues: Feria**

**7am** Johnny O'Shea RIP (Tim & Kath Clifford)

**9.30am** Barbara Coombes RIP (Marie Turnpenny)

**7.30pm** Deceased Members of the UCM (Tolworth)

**Wed: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**7am** Bridie Morrissey RIP (Pat Buchanan & Family)

**9.30am FUNERAL MASS: KATHLEEN FEERY RIP**

**Thur: St Cecilia, virgin & martyr**

**7am** In Thanksgiving (Dona Francis)

**9.30am FUNERAL MASS: YVONNE SAVAGE RIP**

**Fri: St Clement I, pope & martyr**

**7am** Welfare of Rosemary Durkin

**9.30am** Bridie Fillmore RIP (Carol, Marc & Michelle)

**10am** Exposition and Benediction

**1pm WEDDING: David Barton & Sharma Marsden**

**Sat: SS Andrew Dung-Lac, priest & companions, martyrs**

**9am** Helen O'Brien RIP (Barbara Ballard)

**SATURDAY/SUNDAY 24th/25th November 2012**

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING (B)**

**Sat: 6.30pm** People of the Parish

**Sun: 9am** Richard Baker RIP - 1st Anniversary (Christina Baker & Family)

**11am** Eugenia Gunda RIP (Sophia Masoko & Family)

**12.30pm Baptisms: Madeleine Rosa Cowell & Benedict Christopher Libera-Bennett**

**6pm** Elsie Fowler RIP & Hilda Budd RIP (Rosemary Howe)

**Retiring Collection for Catholic Youth Service**

**Last week's Offertory Collection**

**for the upkeep of the church : £ 1,887**

**Archbishop's Administration Fund £ 387**

We thank you for your continued generosity .  
(Cash counters this week: Barbara Buchinger & Bernie Turkington Next week: Susan & Stephen Fleming)



We welcome into the Church **Isobel Rebecca Dolezal & Klaudas Aukstakis** who were baptised last Sunday.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Saturday 9.30am to 10am and**

**Saturday 5.30pm to 6pm**

**READINGS**

**This week : 33rd Sunday in OT (B) page 157**

**First Reading** Daniel 12:1-3

The hope of eternal life is promised to the virtuous.

**Second Reading** Hebrews 10:11-14. 18

The sacrifice of Christ on the cross has taken away our sins; by God's grace we come to perfection.

**Gospel** Mark 13:24-32

At the end of time, the Lord will gather his chosen from the four ends of the earth.

**Next week: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING (B)**

**First Reading** Daniel 7:13-14

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In his mysterious vision, Daniel glimpses the peace and unity of God's kingdom. At the centre of his vision is a figure of a man who is divinely given kingship – a foreshadowing of Jesus.

**Second Reading** Apocalypse 1:5-8

In a revelation of the last things, this reading calls us to look beyond the here and now to Christ's eternal reign. All things are drawn to him and in his love we are made a royal priesthood.

**Gospel** John 18:33-37

At the end of his life, Jesus stands before Pilate as both powerless and king. His kingship is not of this world, but draws us into truth.

We pray for all the **faithful departed** who have recently died. We pray especially for **Clara De Litta** (mother of Sonia Di Libero), **Fr Muradech Tuffy, Kathleen Feery, Yvonne Savage, Ethel Larkin, Phillys Mooney, Horace Lewis, Henrietta Hatt** (mother of Paul Hatt), **John McCormack and Father Josef Gula S.Chr.**

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:

Jack Hoey, Azita Sohadi, Evie Durkin, Clint Sampson, Ralph Cooper, Rouben Sarkissian, Francisco Dirago, David Moss, Linda Kirk, Bishop Patrick Lynch, Frank McCabe, Sheila Doyle (sister of Philomena Olliffe), Jan Lewandowski, Tom McGlone, Jean Studham, Emma Rees (daughter of Sue Rees), Elizabeth Gillman, Michael O'Brien, Rhian Knapgate, Brenda Killeen, Barbara Stevenson, Peter and Ann Groves, Baby Ella Hayes, Amandina Marsella, Mora Witton, Stephen Fleming, Derek Wells, Roisin Loftus, Theresa Keys, Maureen Dillon, Felicia Nazareth, Mary McDonnagh, Fr Simon Peat, Thomas Haley, Anna Maria Maini, Veronica Heaton, Elizabeth Joège, Joan Lancaster, Francis Nazareth, Sergio Della Grotta, Marie Bast, George Matthew, Odile Froger, 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, 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 Carri-on and Norma Latham .

### Primary School Priest Supplementary Forms

Please note that Fr Anthony & Fr Arbo will be available to sign the priest verification forms for **primary schools on Wednesday 21st November from 3pm to 4pm and Saturday 24 November from 11am to 12 Noon.**

Please note that there will be two signing sessions each week until the closing date.

### GRAPEVINE

The Parish magazine, GRAPEVINE, will be available after all Masses this weekend. Suggested contribution £1 to go towards the printing costs.

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\* **Our Lady Immaculate School Christmas Bazaar** \*  
\* Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 1pm till 4 pm \*  
\* Attractions include: Wheel of Fortune, Grand Raffle, \*  
\* Magic Show, Face Painting, Cake Stall, Cafe, \*  
\* Santa's Grotto, games and Tombolas. \*  
\* Prizes include: £100 John Lewis vouchers, \*  
\* Kindle e-reader & Children's bike. All welcome! \*  
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### MASS INTENTIONS – IMPORTANT NOTICE

PLEASE NOTE that Mass Intentions for all dates between now and the end of December this year are already fully booked. A number of dates for intentions requested in the early months of 2013 are also fully booked. If you wish to request a Mass Intention for a particular date next year please let us have it soon as possible. Although we will try to celebrate Mass for your particular intention on the date requested, this will depend on the availability of the date in question. In view of the large number of Mass Intentions being requested it would be helpful if you would combine the names of all family members in a single request, where appropriate. Your co-operation and understanding would be greatly appreciated.

### Union of Catholic Mothers

Thanks to everyone who shared their favourite books with us. A list of these books and their authors will be available at our next meeting.

Mass for our deceased members will be celebrated at **7.30pm** in the church on Tuesday November 20th. After Mass we are delighted to welcome Deacon Nicolas who will speak to us about his spiritual journey.

### CTS UNITY SERVICE

The next bi-monthly CTS Unity Service is being held **TODAY, 18 November** at Our Lady Immaculate. Please note that the service starts at 6pm as part of the 6pm evening Mass. There will be refreshments after Mass.

### PARISH LENTEN PROJECT AGM

The AGM for the Parish Lenten Project will take place on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 7.15pm** in the Old Chapel. All are welcome to attend. We are always looking for new helpers/volunteers/fundraising ideas.

If you have a charity you would like the parish to support in Lent during 2013 then please complete the charity nomination form which can be found at: <http://www.olionline.co.uk/parish-groups/lenten-project/> and come along to the meeting.

You can also find blank copies of the form at the back of Church or obtain one from the Parish Office.

**If you would like any more information please contact Phil Townsend on 8399 3481 or email [Townsend4@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:Townsend4@blueyonder.co.uk).**

### NOVEMBER LISTS

During the month of November you are invited to remember all your deceased relations and friends at Mass each day. Special printed lists are now available at the back of the church for you to write the names of your family & friends on. These lists will be placed in a special basket which will be brought to the altar at the Offertory at every Mass in November.

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\* **The Holy Cross School, New Malden** \*  
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### PARISH DINNER

**25th January 2013 at the Sorrento Restaurant**

It's that time of year again! Our Parish Dinner will be taking place on Friday 25th January 2013 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.

Numbers are limited, so please contact Elaine at the Presbytery on 020 8399 9550, or email [fo@olionline.co.uk](mailto:fo@olionline.co.uk) to purchase your tickets.

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

### REPOSITORY-CHURCH SHOP

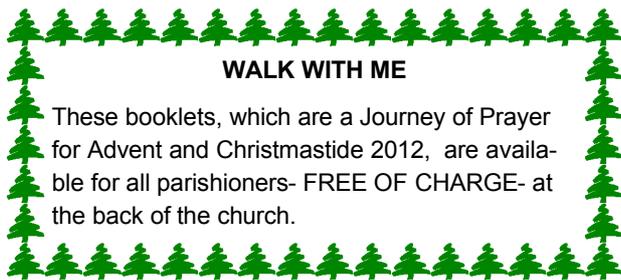
Christmas cards, cribs, advent calendars and children's books are all on sale now in the Repository after Masses on Saturday 6.30pm and Sunday at 9am and 11am. Pat Buchanan 020 8399 2300

A new Christmas single has been launched, called Christmas Time, written by Mutt Ley featuring Gia (both parishioners of OLI) and the Angel pop choir. The single is now available for download from Itunes and on CD for a minimum donation of £5. The CD will also be available to buy on 1st December at the OLI School Christmas Bazaar. All funds raised will be donated to Fr Arbo's charity You Touch Africa assisting with the project of building classrooms in Kiraracha primary school in Kilimanjaro region Tanzania.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mJjpIVtQ0f0>

**CAFOD's New Campaign HUNGRY FOR CHANGE: 8pm on the 21st of November at St Joseph's Parish Hall, Epsom.**

You are invited to join in celebrating the Diocesan Launch of CAFOD's new campaign, Hungry For Change, which focuses on food. In addition we will have Maurice McPartlan speaking during the evening on the place of campaigns within a Catholic Approach to Development. Maurice is CAFOD's Special Advisor on Church and Development. Audrey Ardern-Jones, Parish volunteer in Epsom, sharing her experiences of visiting Zambia with CAFOD. We will also have a Zimbabwean singer who is resident in the Parish and will have a taste of Zambian poetry. Refreshments and snacks included. To register your interest or find out more please email [arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk](mailto:arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk) or call 01483 898 866.



**WALK WITH ME**

These booklets, which are a Journey of Prayer for Advent and Christmastide 2012, are available for all parishioners- FREE OF CHARGE- at the back of the church.

**Presentation of Mary 21st November**

As with Mary's birth, we read of Mary's presentation in the temple only in apocryphal literature. In what is recognized as an unhistorical account, the Protoevangelium of James tells us that Anna and Joachim offered Mary to God in the Temple when she was three years old. This was to carry out a promise made to God when Anna was still childless. Though it cannot be proven historically, Mary's presentation has an important theological purpose. It continues the impact of the feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the birth of Mary. It emphasizes that the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2013**

If your son or daughter is in year 9 or above, then they are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next year. The application form can be found on the parish website along with details of eligibility criteria ([www.olionline.co.uk](http://www.olionline.co.uk) then go to Sacraments, then Confirmation - please read the criteria before printing off the form at the bottom of the page). The closing date for application forms - **which must be signed at one of the Priest Signing Sessions-** (below) is Sunday **16th December**. Any queries, please call Andrew Richardson on 02083993466. Dates for form signing (each session lasting one hour so please arrive in plenty of time) are Friday 23rd November at 7.30pm, Tuesday 27th November at 6pm, Wednesday 5th December at 7pm, Thursday 13th December at 7.30pm and lastly on Saturday 15th December at 11am. Additional information can be found on the application form itself.

**BOOK SALE**

**SATURDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2012**  
**10.30am till 12.30pm : ADMISSION FREE**  
**In The Catholic Hall**

A large and varied selection of second-hand books – fiction and non-fiction - hard-backs and paper-backs - all at bargain prices! Come along and browse. See whether you can find yourself some good reading material now that the dark evenings are here. Organised by the KSC in aid of their charitable and other individual projects.

**Prisoners' Sunday 18th November 2012**

On this day the Church will mark Prisoners' Sunday - a day of prayer and action for prisoners, their children and families, prison workers, ex-offenders, and victims of crime.

The theme for this year is 'Taking the Path to Life' – a hope rooted in the Christian belief that the divine spark is in all people, that no-one is beyond redemption and that change can and does take place. Prisoners need the support of parishes to move away from a life of crime and take the path to life – they need our hope, faith, love and support in order to do this. These can in surprising ways disarm even the most hardened offender. During the Church's forthcoming Year of Faith, it is particularly fitting that we keep faith with those whom our society typically overlooks or ignores.

**Read online:-**

In the annual 'Sir Harold Hood Memorial' lecture, the Cardinal asked whether we should try and 'better understand why people commit crime.' Read online at [www.catholic-ew.org.uk](http://www.catholic-ew.org.uk)

**THANK YOU**

A message of thanks was received from Mick Clarke of The Passage for our donation of £887, which we recently collected from a retiring collection.