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Gate-crashing the party

You may or may not have been watching the final of 'Britain's Got Talent' last weekend, but something unexpected and shocking happened during a song by two young men. One of the musicians- a woman- suddenly came forward from the back of the stage and lobbed- with some accuracy- an egg at Simon Cowell, and shouted at him, to emphasise whatever she had against him. She was quickly bundled off the stage, leaving all concerned- and the millions of viewers- shaken by the event. Cowell very wittily had the last word when he said that the programme now had the eggs-factor!

In the Gospel of Luke today we learn of an event that was no less shocking. Jesus had been invited to dine with a Pharisee- a member of one of exclusive Jewish religious sects whose members would have nothing to do with sinners, otherwise they would be defiled by association.

When Jesus had taken his place at table, the occasion was gate-crashed by a woman who (the Gospel tells us) had a bad name in town. She had brought with her an alabaster jar of ointment and waited close to Jesus' feet, weeping, and her tears fell on his feet. She washed them away with

her hair and then covered his feet with kisses and anointed them with the ointment.

Simon the Pharisee was scandalised, so much that he questioned whether Jesus could be considered the Messiah. Jesus spoke to Simon and contrasted his behaviour to that of the woman. In Simon's mind the woman was beyond redemption: she was a sinner and would remain a sinner. But Jesus allowed her to approach him and to touch him.

Jesus knew well the woman was a sinner, but believed there was another and better side to her. By graciously accepting her unstinting care for him, Jesus helped her to believe in that good side- her innate, God-given goodness. In effect, Jesus showed his love for her, by giving her

the opportunity to demonstrate her goodness.

The lesson we can take from today's Gospel is in understanding how important it is to see the goodness- and God-ness- in one another, and to build one another up in that belief. We cannot change another person. But we can help them do so if we accept them as they are. Jesus did not condemn the woman. We, likewise, must not condemn. Indeed, in affirming another person, we affirm ourselves, too.



Al Callan

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 15th/16th June 2013

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sat 6.30pm John Richard Cullen RIP (Eileen Cullen & Family)

Sun 9am Joseph Joseph RIP (Thomas Joseph & Family)

11am First Holy Communion Mass

Concy Chellar RIP (Parish Choir)

6pm People of the Parish

Daily Masses 17th-22nd June 2013

Mon: Feria

7am Jo Jennings RIP (MaryO'Mara)

9.30am Emma Maria Coutinho RIP (Joseph Coutinho)

5.30pm Syro Malabar Mass

Tues: Feria

7am Roy Thomas (Anniversary)

9.30am Eamonn Walsh RIP Anniversary
(Eddie & Sheila Walsh)

Wed: Feria

7am Welfare of Doherty & Delaney Families

9.30am The Welfare of James Toye (Winnie Dowling)

Thurs: St Alban, proto-martyr of Britain

7am Michael McDonagh RIP (Mary McDonagh)

9.30am Veronica Heaton RIP (UCM)

Fri: St Aloysius Gonzaga, religious

7am Holy Souls- All Deceased Parishioners

9.30am Kenneth Stacey RIP (Mary Stacey)

10am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

4pm **Wedding: Agnieszka Romanczyk & Dareth Ball**

Sat: SS John Fisher, bishop & Thomas More, martyrs

9am Delia Kelly RIP (FM)

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 22nd/23rd June 2013

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sat 6.30pm People of the Parish

Sun 9am Rachael Sundar RIP (Louise Lewis)

11.00am Frances Wogan RIP (Thomas & Mick Lynch)

12.30pm Baptisms: Nicholas Jacob Cortabitarte-Gomez, Annabel Rose Hignett, Susanna Sai Ying Carbone & Julia Maria Ambroziak

6.00pm Tommy Purtill RIP (Peter Moroney)

Retiring Collection for CAFOD Syrian Appeal

Last week's Offertory Collection

for the upkeep of the church : £ 1,814

Catholic Trust for England & Wales £ 420

We thank you for your continued generosity.
(Cash counters this week: Rob Estall & Roman Szymanski
Next week: Tessa McLeod & one other)



We welcome into the Church **Jorgi Maria Adey & Leo Salvatore Antonio Iollo** who were baptised last Sunday.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturdays 9.30am to 10am
and 5.30pm to 6pm**

WE REGRET WE CANNOT ACCEPT ANY FOREIGN CURRENCY IN THE COLLECTION.

READINGS

This week: 11th Sunday in OT (C)

First Reading 2 Samuel 12:7-10. 13

King David, greatly blessed by God, learns through repentance that he cannot simply take all he desires. In his sorrow he learns about God's justice – but also of God's great love and forgiveness.

Second Reading Galatians 2:16. 19-21

For Paul the great revelation in Christ is that we don't learn to be God-like through obeying rules, but rather through a thankful and humble loving relationship with Christ, crucified and risen.

Gospel Luke 7:36 – 8:3

The righteous and good Pharisee Simon has to learn the meaning of love from the repentant woman with a bad name. Jesus tells us that it is she who comes closer to understanding God's love

Next week: 12th Sunday in OT (C)

First Reading Zechariah 12:10-11; 13:1

The people of God will mourn for the one they have pierced.

Second Reading Galatians 3:26-29

Clothed in Christ through baptism, we no longer have differences between us.

Gospel Luke 9:18-24

To follow Christ is to take up the cross every day.

We pray for all the **faithful departed** who have recently died. We pray especially for **Maria Rosa Anna Nappi, Asgar (Tony) Fazal** (husband of Philipina) , **Jo Jennings** , **Elizabeth Gillman** , **Gordon Cracknell**, **John Ribeiro**, **Marie Mann**, **Ambrose Shayo**, brother of Fr Arbo, **Sheila Leanaghan**, **Joseph Joseph**, **Veronica Heaton** and **Concy Chellar** 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: John Robson, Sean McAleenan, James McGee, Myles Humphrey, Andrea Shepherd, Susan Cooney, Maria Simmonds, Elizabeth Doherty, Michael O'Brien, Pauline Ferrara, Maureen Kerr, Suzanne Godwin, Jim Spillane, Geoff Grenade (father of Debbie Dray), Azita Sohadi, Evie Durkin, Clint Sampson, Ruben Sarkissian, Francisco Dirago, David Moss, Linda Kirk, Bishop Patrick Lynch, Frank McCabe, Jan Lewandowski, Tom McGlone, Emma Rees (daughter of Sue Rees), Rhian Knapgate, Brenda Killeen, Barbara Stevenson, Peter and Ann Groves, Ella Hayes, Amandina Marsella, Stephen Fleming, Derek Wells, Roisin Loftus, Theresa Keys, Maureen Dillon, Felicia Nazareth, Mary McDonagh, Fr Simon Peat, Thomas Haley, Anna Maria Maini,, Elizabeth Joège, Francis Nazareth, Sergio Della Grotta, Marie Bast, George Matthew, Odile Froger, Jenny Sathirasegaram, Eileen Rosenberg, Bridget McNally, Brenda Flaherty, Rowan Wolsgrove, Marcus Bird, 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 and Vic Carrion.

FR ARBO

It is with great sadness that I have to tell you that Father Arbo has been appointed as parish priest of St John Fisher, Kidbrook and will be leaving us at the beginning of August. We will all miss him very much. He has been with us for four years and is taking over from Father Eric Nimmo who is retiring. This will be a new challenge for him and he will be more than capable of using his gifts and talents in the service of the people of Kidbrook. Bishop Paul Hendricks has confirmed with me that a new assistant priest will be appointed to this parish but details have not yet been finalized. I will of course announce the name of our new assistant priest as soon as I am informed. *Fr Anthony*

Sarah Marley from the parish with 2 friends (ex-Holy Cross students) are travelling to India to work voluntarily with the Holy Cross Sisters.
There will be a cake sale TODAY- Sunday 16th June after the 9am Mass. All monies raised will be given to the charity.

CAFOD - Collection for Syria

Please note that we will have a retiring collection for the CAFOD campaign to help the people of Syria after all Masses NEXT WEEKEND- 22/23 June.

JUMBLE SALE

**SATURDAY, 29th JUNE 2013 : Doors Open
1.30pm : Admission £1.00**

This ever-popular fund-raising event is being organised jointly by the KSC and UCM to support their various charity and other activities. They would be most grateful for any good-quality saleable items you may kindly wish to donate such as clothing, shoes, handbags, kitchenware and utensils, cutlery, crockery, glassware, books, pictures, children's toys and games, and general bric-a-brac.

Please Note: The organisers regret they are NOT able to accept any furniture, TVs or other electrical items.

Please bring your jumble to the Parish Hall **between 9am and 11am** on the morning of the sale. If you wish to have it collected in the week of the sale, between Monday and Friday, please contact either Alex (020 8399 0833) or Leo (020 8390 2500).

Thank you.

EXHIBITION OF ARTWORK AT ST RAPHAEL'S CHURCH, SURBITON

Mas.s, the artist, one of St Raphael's parishioners, will be holding a free exhibition of his art TODAY- Sunday the 16th June from 9.00am to 9.00pm in Alexander House (next to St Raphael's church). This original Dutch painter has exhibited in various countries around Europe winning awards for artistic merit. For one day he is showing over 30 paintings touching upon spiritual and social issues. You will also be able to see his colourful landscapes and portraits.
For a preview go to www.mas-s.com

WEBSITE UPDATES

Photos and write up of our 50th Anniversary Mass of the Consecration of our church.

GIFT AID SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Standing Order Donors: Envelopes for Gift Aided Special Collections are provided for those who would like them. If you took them last year, similar sets for the current year are available in the RDJ Room. Other Standing Order donors who would like a set please contact Rob (020 8399 0430) or Elspeth (Elspeth.casey@rbs.com) Thank you.

Final Lenten Project Money Raised 2013

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| U.C.M. Cake Sale | £509.00 |
| Quiz | £424.00 |
| O.L.I. P.T.A. | £100.00 |
| Fair Trade Breakfast | £ 80.00 |
| Sweep Stake | £255.00 |
| Table Top Sale | £1,067.54 |
| Apple Pie Sunday | £553.74 |
| Indian Takeaway | £313.00 |
| Charity Day (Toni & Magda) | £200.00 |
| Noah's Ark | £ 74.50 |
| Jumble Sale | £557.04 |
| Southern Indian Night | £2,670.00 |
| Maundy Thursday | £373.03 |
| CAFE | £61.00 |
| Sponsored Walk | £ 1603.00 |
| Just Giving (Walk) | £957.50 (awaiting receipt) |
| Raffle-Grand Draw | £ 3453.00 |
| OLI School | £1,316.20 |
| Plant Sale | £142.00 |
| Cat Sitting | £50.00 |
| Lenten Boxes | £4100.55 |
| Other Donations | £1108.00 |
| TOTAL to date | £19968.10 |

The Holy Cross School, New Malden 'Christmas Shopping Evening' - Friday 22nd November 2013

The Holy Cross School, Sandal Road, New Malden, is having a 'Christmas Shopping Evening' on Friday 22nd November from 6.30pm until 9pm. There will be a great selection of cards, gifts, jewellery, books and much more. If you are interested in having a stall at this event please email Alison and Maria at holycross-pfa@hotmail.co.uk for more information.

ALTAR SERVERS- NEW ROTAS

Could all Altar Servers please collect their new rota from the RDJ Room after Mass this weekend if you missed them last week.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS:

On Tuesday June 18th members of the Women's Evening Fellowship (United Reformed Church) will be visiting us for a social and personal choice evening. Please bring along any items of interest to show or talk about - music, ornaments, mementoes, poems, or anything which is special to you. We shall meet in the Old Chapel at 8pm. All ladies in the parish are welcome to join us

GRANDPARENTS' PILGRIMAGE

This special day of faith and fun at Aylesford Priory near Maidstone, Kent on Saturday July 13, is designed to enable grandparents to celebrate with their children and grandchildren the joys of being a family. The Grandparents' Pilgrimage will run from 11am to 4.30pm, finishing with Mass concelebrated by bishops John Hine and Keiran Conry at 3pm. No need to book - just turn up. Even better, get together with other parishioners and book a coach. For more information about the pilgrimage phone 020 8651 2477 or email philandmary@blueyonder.co.uk

OLI FLOWER FESTIVAL
 * Many of you will have seen the wonderful flower *
 * displays in church last weekend which was part of *
 * our 50th anniversary celebrations. *
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 * To all the parish groups, our school, local churches *
 * and parishioners, thank you so much for the won- *
 * derful exhibits, for your time and enthusiasm that *
 * made the occasion such a success. *
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 * To any budding flower arrangers who would like to *
 * join the flower arrangers at OLI do give me a call on *
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 * 020 8399 0833. *
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 * Thank you again to you all, Rosemary Maranzano *
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Ss Thomas More and John Fisher 22nd June

St. Thomas More. Beheaded on Tower Hill, London, July 6, 1535, he steadfastly refused to approve Henry VIII's divorce and remarriage and establishment of the Church of England.



In 1521 John Fisher was asked to study the question of Henry VIII's marriage. He incurred Henry's anger by defending the validity of the king's marriage with Catherine of Aragon and later by rejecting Henry's claim to be the supreme head of the Church of England. He was condemned and executed, his body left to lie all day on the scaffold and his head hung on London Bridge.

Two saints who teach us to stand up courageously for what is fair and just. Traditionally on this day, the Church asks us to pray for those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights.

TEN TEN THEATRE- KOLBE'S GIFT

Ten Ten Theatre, the Catholic professional theatre company, are staging a production of 'Kolbe's Gift' in the heart of the West End. This powerful play tells the story of St Maximillian Kolbe, who gave his life for another in the Auschwitz concentration camp, and the impact on Franek Gajowniczec, the man whose life was saved. In this Year of Faith, the production provides an opportunity to deepen our faith and share it with others.

Archbishop Vincent Nichols said: "I am delighted to offer my support to Ten Ten in their production. As a boy, I was very inspired by the story of Maximillian Kolbe. I hope that this play inspires many people today to emulate his profound life of prayer which resulted in an act of total self-giving."

The production runs from 1-5 October 2013. Tickets cost between £12.50 and £20. To book, visit www.kolbesgift.com or phone the theatre box office on 08448 733 433.

SVP St John Bosco Camp

SVP St John Bosco Camp offers children aged 8-13 a sports and activity based holiday on a campsite in the Essex countryside. Run with a Catholic ethos, the camp is especially for children who may not have any other holiday this year. There are three weeks of the camp:

For boys: 20th to 27th July or 27th July to 3rd August
 For girls: 3rd to 10th August
 For many details and for application forms log onto www.svpboscocamp.org.uk

JOURNEY IN FAITH

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? Were you baptised a Catholic but have not received your First Holy Communion or been Confirmed? Then the Journey in Faith group (JIF) is for you.

This is a group formed to help non- Christians, Christians of other denominations, 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.

Meetings will be held every Wednesday evening from the middle of September, and will start from 7.30pm. 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. Please mark the envelope **RCIA**

Name:

Address:

Tel No.....

Email: