



OUR LADY IMMACULATE
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Parish News

OUR LADY IMMACULATE PARISH

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Connecting with Ancestors

Most of the world cultures do venerate or worship their ancestors in one form or another. I grew up observing my grandparents, parents, uncles and aunts leaving a calabash of the best banana beer by the graveside every time we had a celebration. When we slaughtered a goat or a cow, some parts of the animal were also placed under a "sacred" tree behind the house. It did not need much explanation to learn that these items were meant for the ancestors, because I could hear those performing the rites talking to specific people who I knew were already dead.

In the UK cemeteries are full of beautiful flowers, statues of angels, lantern lamps, etc. We never question whether the dead persons do come to drink the banana beer or eat the piece of meat or smell the rose flowers or read by the lamps. The fact is that we feel connected with our loved ones through these items. How? It doesn't matter. We just believe and we know it is a reality.

On 31st October we celebrate All Saints and on 2nd November it is All Souls. These two feasts are meant to remind us of the connection we have with those who have gone before us. The Church invites us to remember our ancestors in various ways throughout the month of November. At Our Lady Immaculate the tradition is to write the names of our deceased relatives and friends on forms

provided at the back of the church and these will be presented at all Masses.

For me, the most poignant moment of remembering my mother and other relatives is at Mass. All Eucharistic Prayers invite us to connect with our loved ones:

Eucharistic Prayer I: "Remember, Lord, those who have died and have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.... May... they find in your presence light, happiness, and peace".

Eucharistic Prayer II: "Remember our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again... bring them... into the light of your presence."

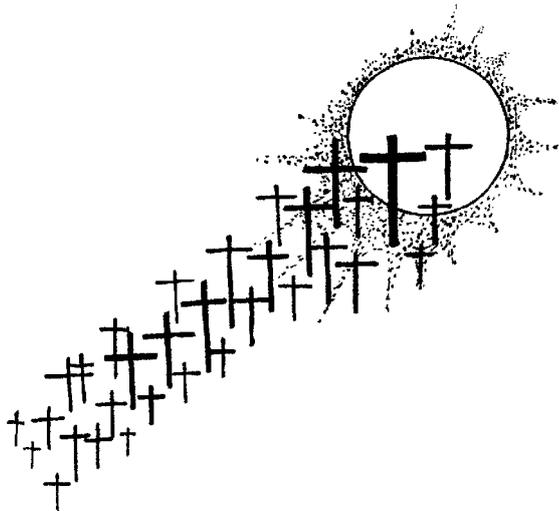
Eucharistic Prayer III: Welcome into your

kingdom our departed brothers and sisters..."

Eucharistic Prayer IV: "Remember those who have died in the peace of Christ and all the dead whose faith is known to you alone."

It is good to take every opportunity we get to remember the dead. Throughout the month of November and every time we celebrate Mass, let us connect with them and feel their presence in everything we do. They should never be left out simply because they are physically absent.

Arbo Lekule



SATURDAY/SUNDAY 30th/31st October 2010

ALL SAINTS (C)

- Sat 6.30pm Deceased Family & Friends of Peggy O'Connor
 Sun 9am In Thanksgiving Rachel Rodrigues, 7th Birthday (Family)
 11am Gaetanina, Gaetanino & Margaret RIP (Maria Simmonds)
 12.30pm Baptisms: Miguel Rian Cummings & Nathan Temiloluwa Oladimeji
 6pm People of the Parish

Daily Masses 1st November to 6th November 2010

- Mon Feria
 9.30am V.J. Varghese RIP (Jommy Thadathil)
 Tues THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
 All Souls
 7am Welfare of Paddy & Rosamund
 9.30am A.S. Bastiampillai RIP (Family)
 8pm All Deceased Parishioners of OLI Parish
 Wed Feria
 7am Mr & Mrs Joseph RIP (Family)
 9.30am Joe Nason RIP (Family)
 Thur St Charles Borromeo, bishop
 7am Holy Souls
 9.30am Bernard & Ros Byrne RIP (Tessa MacLeod)
 11am Funeral: Alice Newton RIP
 Fri Feria
 7am Fr Teofilo V Vinteres RIP (Angie Carrion)
 9.30am Mary Joyce RIP (Joan Pym)
 10am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 Sat Feria
 9am Rita Dowling RIP (Joan Pym)

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 6th/7th November 2010 2010

Thirty Second Sunday (C)

- Sat 6.30pm Wellbeing of Christine & Jim Durney (Alice Feely)
 Sun 9am People of the Parish
 11am Marie O'Donnell RIP (Maureen Kerr)
 6pm Bridie Griffin (Fagan Family)



We welcome into the Church **Storm Samantha Corcoran, Elena Amy Hart & Sienna Sally-Anne Parsonage** who were Baptised last weekend.

Last week's Offertory collection £ 2,052

World Mission Sunday £ 440

We thank you for your continued generosity
 (Cash counters next week Pam Ford & Vivienne Phillips)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
 (CONFESSIONS)**
 Saturdays 9.30am-10am and 5.30pm-6pm

READINGS:

This Week: All Saints

First Reading Apocalypse 7:2-4. 9-14
 John sees the vision of God bringing victory on a huge scale and to people from every nation, race, tribe and language.
Second Reading 1 John 3:1-3
 We live in hope of a future yet to be revealed, but already we are the children of God.
Gospel Matthew 5:1-12
 The Beatitudes provide us with a charter for Christian living. They are both a challenge and a consolation .

Next Week: 32nd Sunday in OT (C)

First Reading 2 Maccabees 7:1-2. 9-14
 In this story of persecution, the author teaches us about the ultimate justice of God.
Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 2:16 – 3:5
 St Paul encourages his listeners with the sure hope of the resurrection.
Gospel Luke 20:27-38
 In conversation with the Sadducees, Jesus teaches us about everlasting life.

We pray for all **the faithful departed** who have recently died. We pray especially for **Ann Joyce, Emma Coutinho, Peggy Howick, Francois Manac'h**, younger brother of Bérengère Barrau, **Sidney Lutz** (father of Emma Bryan), **Nicholas Penn, Monica Grant** and **Bill Stevens**. 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; Fr Simon Peat, Baby Thomas Haley, Desolina Cavazzi, Anna Maria Maini, Veronica Heaton, Maureen Wilson, Bernard Mead, James Austin, Elizabeth Joège, Joan Lancaster, Stephen Fleming, Francis Nazareth, Sergio Della Grotta, Marie Bast, John Ingrassi, 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 Burrigge, Sam Hitchin, Rene Boffa, Richard Manche, Nicky Bushell, Shirley Enright, Tom Tyler, Baby Finn Jordan, Margaret Inskip, Giancarlo Palermo, John Gleeson, Fr Peter Sprague, Mary Linstead, Evan Day, Eva Hansford, Jeffrey D'Cruz, George Hayes, Michael Hoskins, Michael Byrne, Martin Dray, Kay Bridgland, Seema Day, Graham Taylor, Freda Sirmon, Samantha Nosalik, Bridie Fillmore, Manual Pillai, Fay Kearney, Richard Trutwein, Winna Duncan, Jennifer McIntyre, Carl Williams, Bridie O'Driscoll, Christine Keane, Josephine Bull, Vic Carrion, Pauline McGuire, Norma Latham, Mary Bastiampillai, Philip Rajanayagam and Gerard Murphy.

Blessing of the Graves

This year's Deanery service will take place on **Sunday 7 November** at 2pm in **Surbiton Cemetery** and at 3pm in **Kingston Cemetery**.



CELEBRATE WITH FR ANTHONY!!

Fr Anthony will be celebrating his 60th- yes, 60th- birthday on 12th November. He would very much like to invite you all to a birthday celebration in the Hall on Saturday 13th November at 7.30pm. Please bring a plate of food to share. You are welcome to bring your own drinks, although tea, coffee, squash and wine will be served. There will also be a family disco, so don't forget your dancing shoes.

WELCOMERS NEEDED
There will be a meeting on Wednesday 3rd November at 7.30pm in the Presbytery for parishioners who can help out at all Masses as welcomers. We desperately need more help, so if you feel you are able to help in any way, please give your name to either Fr Arbo of Fr Anthony, and attend the meeting on 3rd November. Thank you.

OLI School Christmas Bazaar
We are still looking for as much help and support as possible. Thanks to all those who have offered help so far. We still need donations for the 'Traditional Christmas Market' stall along the following lines:
Christmas cards, gift tags, wrapping paper, knitted toys
Advent wreaths, Christmas crackers, Christmas stockings
Christmas sweets/biscuits/gingerbread (preferably in cellophane gift wrap), Christmas candles, table decorations.
Anything traditional from other cultures would also be most welcome.
Prizes for the raffle/Wheel of Fortune
We are also interested in people offering 'helping hand' pledged prizes
Eg: **1 hours worth of..** ironing, cleaning, lawn cutting, present wrapping, cooking etc
One off Services.. eg painting and decorating, putting up Christmas lights etc
Could you offer to make a Christmas cake, table decoration or Advent wreath for a lucky winner?
If you are willing to have an estate agent board advertising the Bazaar outside your house, in the run up to the event please let us know. We receive payment for each board. This goes towards our total.
We also look forward to seeing you on the 20th!
Sarah Owen
(sarahowenuk@yahoo.co.uk) I am happy to collect any donations from you. Mobile number: 07792504456

PRIEST VALIDATION FORM SIGNING FOR PRIMARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2011
Fr Anthony and Fr Arbo will be available to sign forms next week on at the Presbytery on Wednesday 3rd November from 3pm to 4.30pm and on Thursday 4th November from 6pm to 7.30pm.
Please note, there will be other dates for form signing each week, so please check the newsletter or website for details.
The closing date for primary school applications is the 15th January 2011.

CONFIRMATION 2011
If you are in Year 9 (or above) and would like to consider receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2011, then please visit our parish website, go to the Sacraments "tab", click on Confirmation, and read all about the Sacrament and how it is administered in OLI. Having done that, please print off the application form, complete it, and hold onto it until you see the announcement in the newsletter about Form Signing Sessions with the priests - all forms must be countersigned before the closing date on Sunday 19th December - this date will not be extended, so please ensure you act before then. If you do not have a computer, application forms may be obtained from the Parish Office.

RETREAT- PAUSE & PONDER!
Retreat for everyone at St Ann's Catholic Church Kingston Hill on 13th November from 9am to 6pm. Theme is 'My soul thirsts for God' (Psalm 42:2)
Activities: conferences, Mass, Rosary & Adoration.
Please come with your own packed lunch. No booking fee required.
Contact Fr Sileshi (020 8546 8732) or Sr Charity (07727 130226)

UCM
On Tuesday 2 November 8 pm, in the Old Chapel, Winnifried Groves will conclude her talk on Cameroon. All ladies of the parish welcome.

CAROL SERVICE
After the huge success of the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols Service last year, we will be holding a similar event this year on Monday 13th December at 8pm with refreshments afterwards. **Please put this date in your diary.**

JUSTICE & PEACE
Kingston Churches Action on Homelessness AGM will be on Tuesday 9th November, 7.45 pm at St Peter's Church, Norbiton. Always an interesting and enlightening evening. RSVP to Matt Hatton: 0208 255 2439. email: info@kcah.org.uk. See poster on J & P noticeboard.

NOVEMBER LISTS are now available at the back of the church. Please take a sheet and put the names of your deceased family and friends on it and place it in the box provided. They will then be remembered at each Mass during the month of November.