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Parish News

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Home is a sanctuary! We get home, shut the door, and the world's problems retreat a little bit. If we have a loving family all the better. A good family support and love each other unconditionally. We listen to each other's grumbles and say supportive things. If one family member has a problem the rest of the family feels the pain and we pull out all the stops to sort things out.

As children the family is the first place we learn our worth. The family is the first place in which we learn our values ... why it is important to be honest, fair, and kind; why it is important to share and to love each other.

Our parents are probably amongst the few in the world who will always be on our side. Our parents, so long as they live and are in good health, are amongst the few

people who will always worry for our well-being and happiness.

Today the Holy Family, Jesus Mary and Joseph, are held up to us as a model of a Christian Family. In times of recession and

government cut backs we might worry that we are failing as parents, but what the Holy Family shows us is that love transcends all difficulties.

The infant Jesus was born into the poorest conditions and a brutal and murderous political climate, yet he grew up in a fam-

ily that gave him everything a child could ask for; care, safeguarding, sound values and love.

Today we are asked to pray for families that are experiencing difficulties and for those who feel alone because they have no family. Today we look to our own families with renewed appreciation and commitment.



SUNDAY 26th December 2010
THE HOLY FAMILY, JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH (A)

Sun 9am Michael Foley RIP (Mary Foley)
 11am People of the Parish
Baptism during Mass: Connor Sholt
 6pm John O'Shaunessy (Fagan Family)
NO EVENING MASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Daily Masses 27th December 2010 to 1st January 2011

Mon **St John, apostle and evangelist**
 10am Maria Eaton RIP (Elizabeth Saunders)

Tues **The Holy Innocents**
 10am Beverley Aitken RIP (Verna Hutchinson)

Wed **St Thomas of Canterbury, bishop & martyr**
 10am **Funeral Mass : Bridie Fillmore RIP**

Thur **Of the Octave**
 10am Patrick & Sadie O'Donovan RIP (Roger & Rosemary Morton)
 4pm Syro Malabar Mass

Fri **Of the Octave**
 10am Nellie Brennan RIP (Kate Brennan)
 10.30pm Vigil of Prayer to the year 2011 followed by
 11.15pm Mass In Thanksgiving for All Blessings

Sat **THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**
 10am Maureen Flanagan's Intention (Ivan Flanagan)

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 1st/2nd January 2011
THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (A)

Sat 6.30pm People of the Parish
 Sun 9am Josephine Adebayo RIP
 11am David Doyle RIP (Hayes Family)
 6pm Eddie Savage RIP (Family)

Daily Masses 3rd January to 8th January 2011

Mon **Feria of Christmas season**
 10am Bob Jones RIP (Cherry Jones)

Tues **Feria of Christmas season**
 7am In Thanksgiving (Paul & Saly)
 9.30am Jack, Kitty & Patricia Punter RIP (Margaret Radford)

Wed **Feria of Christmas season**
 7am Special Intention
 9.30am John William Tumility RIP (FM)

Thur **Feria of Christmas season**
 7am Special Intention of Ferdinand & Benedicta Tinubu (Benedict Oladimeji)
 9.30am Billy & Margaret Doyle (Kathleen)

Fri **Feria of Christmas season**
 7am Patsy Michan RIP (Tom Duane)
 10am **Funeral Mass: Gerard Murphy RIP**

Sat **Feria of Christmas season**
 9am Austin Selby's 1st Birthday (Family)

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 8th/9th January 2011
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (A)

Sat 6.30pm Laurence & Violet Seager (Sandra & Bev Batty)
 Sun 9am People of the Parish
 11am John Kerr RIP (Family)
 6pm Maurice Felton RIP (Mary Felton)

READINGS:

This Week: The Holy Family (A)

First Reading Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6. 12-14

God promises us that loving respect for family relationships brings its own blessings.

Second Reading Colossians 3:12-21

All relationships, especially those within the family, should be enriched by our relationship with God and God's word.

Gospel Matthew 2:13-15. 19-23

Jesus, Mary and Joseph become refugees to escape a threat to the safety of the family.

Next week: The Epiphany of Our lord Jesus Christ (A)

First Reading Isaiah 60:1-6

To the people still living in darkness, Isaiah proclaims that the glory of the Lord is shining upon them. It is time to rejoice.

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

All are now eligible to share in the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

The wise men ask Herod the whereabouts of the infant king of the Jews, and he seeks to use their news for his own ends. Having paid their homage to Jesus, the wise men return home by a different route.

Following week: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ (A)

First Reading Isaiah 42:1-4. 6-7

God's chosen one reveals a character of gentleness, courage and justice.

Second Reading Acts 10:34-38

God has no favourites. The Good News of Christ is for everyone.

Gospel Matthew 3:13-17

By his baptism Jesus begins his public ministry, identifies himself with people's need for God, and receives the Father's approval.

We welcome into the Church, **Evelyn Rose Loots** who was baptised last weekend.



Last week's Offertory collection £ 1,420

We thank you for your continued generosity
 (Cash counters next week: Barbara Buchinger & Bernie Turkington)

We pray for all the faithful departed who have recently died. We pray especially for **Bridie Fillmore, Gerard Murphy, Pauline Maguire and David Doyle**. 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; Jo Jennings, Mary Smith, Roger Morton, Mary McDonagh, Patrick Leightley, Fr Simon Peat, Baby Thomas Haley, Desolina Cavazzi, Anna Maria Maini, Veronica Heaton, Maureen Wilson, Bernard Mead, James Austin, Elizabeth Joëge, 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 Burridge, 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, Manual Pillai, Fay Kearney, Richard Trutwein, Winna Duncan, Jennifer McIntyre, Carl Williams, Bridie O'Driscoll, Christine Keane, Josephine Bull, Vic Carrion, Norma Latham, Mary Bastiampillai and Philip Rajanayagam

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturdays 9.30am-10am and 5.30pm-6pm

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS DAY

All Eucharistic Ministers—**please put the following date in your diaries— Saturday 8th January 2011** for a Retreat Day at House of Prayer, 35 Seymour Road, East Molesey KT8 0PB. From 10.30am to 4pm. Please bring a packed lunch— refreshments provided. Fr Anthony will be taking the retreat.

KCAH - Kingston Churches Action on Homelessness -Winter Night Shelter

This year the KCAH winter project for people who are homeless or vulnerably housed is well under way lasting until the end of February. Volunteers would be most welcome to help with the project. Volunteer roles include welcoming guests, cooking and serving food, eating and socialising with the guests, sometimes playing games (table tennis, board games etc), waking them in the morning, tidying and cleaning the venues etc. It is generally a fairly leisurely pace. Volunteers can serve for one shift, one per week, or as many as they want.

All volunteers need to have attended a short training course, (and feel free to come along to the training before you commit to volunteering if you have any concerns). The next training date is:

Thurs 13 Jan 9-10pm at Berrylands Christian Centre Hall, 41, King Charles Rd, Surbiton, KT5 8PF.

If you plan to come along please let Paul Farmer know beforehand – MOB: 07895 260605 or email: paul.farmer@kingston-college.ac.uk.

In the current economic climate KCAH would very much welcome any donation however small. KCAH can be found at: *36a Fife Rd, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 1SU*; Telephone: 020 8255 7400; E-Mail: matt.h@kcah.co.uk

PRIEST VALIDATION FORM SIGNING FOR PRIMARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2011

Fr Anthony and Fr Arbo will be available to sign forms next week on **Tuesday 4th January 2011 from 3pm to 4.30pm** and **Thursday 6th January from 6pm to 7pm** at the Presbytery. *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**.

PARISH DINNER

28th January 2011 at The Sorrento Restaurant

Our annual Parish Dinner will be taking place this year at The Sorrento Restaurant, Ewell Road on Friday 28 January 2011, 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 purchase your tickets as soon as possible by contacting Elaine at the Presbytery on 020 8399 9550 or email info@olionline.co.uk

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

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION! Why not come to the 'Understanding CAFOD Day' on Saturday 22 January from 9.30am to 4pm in the Amigo Hall, next door to St George's Cathedral, Westminster Bridge Road and find out how CAFOD has helped change the lives of millions of people over the last 50 years? Learn about CAFOD's humanitarian and development work in countries like Haiti, Sudan, Colombia and Burma. For further details please contact CAFOD Southwark on 01322 294 924 or email southwark@cafod.org.uk

Fr Anthony, Fr Arbo, Fr Tahir, Deacon Al and Trudie wish you all a very happy and holy Christmas, and thank you all for your good wishes, cards, gifts and Christmas Offerings.

OLI 200 Club

The winners of the Christmas Draw of the OLI 200 Club are:-

No. 64	Maureen Brunker	£400
No. 43	Doris Greave	£250
No. 102	Kitty Hashmi	£150
No. 61	Teresa Macklin	£100
No. 105	Anne Dray	£ 75

