

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS Saturday 17 to Sunday 25 November 2018**

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY in Ordinary Time B 18<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Patrick Curtin RIP (Crouch)
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	The People of our Parish
November	11.00am	Kirk McLaughlin RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
	3.00pm	<u>Service of Bereavement in our Church</u>
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Special Intention (JM)
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Frances Sheehy RIP (Clohessy /Sheehy Family)
Wednesday 21 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	<b>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> Deceased members of Kerr Family (Kerr)
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00am	<b>St Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr</b> Deceased members of Kenna Family (Kenna)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00am	<b>St Clement I, Pope and Martyr</b> Intentions of Christopher Jacob (Joseph)

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING B YOUTH SUNDAY 25 November 18**

Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	For our Altar Servers & their Families
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Doug & Bobby Dew RIP (Heughan)
	11.00am	<u>The People of our Parish</u>

**SACRAMENT of PENANCE:** Saturday 11am to 12 noon & 5.15 to 5.40pm

**MORNING PRAYER of DIVINE OFFICE** 15 minutes before weekday Mass

**BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Prayer & Adoration for 1 hour after weekday Mass

**PARISH MASS BOOK: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time B 18.11.2018**

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**PRAY FOR OUR SICK IN HOSPITAL & AT HOME:** Please inform a Priest or hospital chaplain if you, your relative or a parishioner is ill at home or in hospital so they can receive the Sacraments and have visits from a priest.

**OFFERINGS:** Offertories last weekend: Envelopes £252, Loose £333.27,  
Standing Orders: £800, CAFOD £33.07. Thank you for your great generosity.

**PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD:** You can place the names of your deceased relatives, friends & parishioners at the Altar in our Church for prayer at daily Mass in November. Forms and envelopes for this purpose are available in the Church by the Cafod box.

**FULL SUNG MASS with Gregorian Chant** in our Church at **on Sunday 25 November at 3pm.** Come, pray & sing in the Tridentine Rite Mass of our Church. *All Welcome!*

**FOR HALL BOOKINGS** contact Arnold Verrall, preferably by telephone, on 01992 001995 (dial 01992 even in Epping) or mobile 07764404813 or by email [arnold\\_verrall@email.com](mailto:arnold_verrall@email.com). **Preferential rates are for parishioners & charities.**

## The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church



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Parish in the Diocese of Dundee, South Africa*

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY in Ordinary Time B 18 November 2018**

*Dear Friends,*

“They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds with great power and glory; then he will send his angels to gather his chosen ones” (Mk.13:24-32). Next Sunday we come to the end of the Church’s year and the Church wants us to realise that the world, as we know it, is passing away and that Christ will return in glory at the end of time. Jesus describes, very imaginatively, what it will be like when he returns to judge the living and the dead. He will present a creation that he has redeemed as an acceptable gift to his Father.

There is great concern today about damage to the environment caused by the irresponsible exploitation of the earth’s resources and pollution. Some of the dangers to our planet, about which scientist warn us, link-in with apocalyptic images used in the Bible to describe the end of the world. The key part of this Gospel is that Christ will return to the earth at the end of time, when he will judge all people, living and the dead. He will judge peoples and nations and each one will have to give an account of how they used their gifts, for the service of their neighbour, according to God’s plan. Jesus tells us that love of God is to be judged and manifested in how we provide food and drink for the hungry and thirsty, welcome the strangers, clothe the naked, care for the sick and visit those in prison (Matt.25:31-47). All of us will stand humble before the judgement seat of God and will all be dependent on his mercy to save us; that is why we pray daily, “Thy kingdom come” and “Forgive us our trespasses”.

This Sunday at 11am Mass, the children in our parish preparing for their First Reconciliation and Holy Communion take a leading role in the Mass. It is so important for parents to nurture their children in the ways of faith, and by their own prayer and example help their children to grow in a loving relationship with God, as they grow in knowledge and understanding in school and at home.

**We welcome Bishop Thomas to our parish on Friday, 7 December at 7.30pm, to celebrate the Silver Jubilee Mass of the Consecration of our Church.** In 1954 when our Church was opened he served the Mass, and in 1993 on the feast of the Immaculate Conception celebrated the Consecration. This is an important celebration of faith as we remember and give thanks for our church, and the graces we have received through those who have gone before us in this parish.  
*May the Lord Jesus strengthen us in faith and hope of his coming. Fr John*

**SERVICE FOR THE BEREAVED – THIS SUNDAY AT 3pm** In our Service for the Bereaved at 3pm this Sunday, we shall remember our relatives and friends who have died (recently or some time ago). During the Service, comprising of hymns, readings and a short sermon, a candle will be lit for each of those who are named. Everyone is welcome to attend this moving and comforting ceremony. Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall after the Service.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** The next session of preparation for the first Holy Communion children will be in our Hall on **Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> November at 5.45pm.**

**CONFIRMATION:** The next session for young people for Confirmation will be in our Church Hall on **Tuesday next, the 20<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm.**

**TALKS ON OUR CATHOLIC FAITH:** We have talks on the Catholic faith for adults interested in finding out about our faith, becoming Catholic or wishing to understand our faith or support the faith of family members. These are suitable for Catholic adults who have not been Confirmed or not been practising and wish to renew their faith. They are held in **The Priest's House on Wednesdays at 8pm.**

**OUR PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR IS NEXT SATURDAY!!** 🎄 🎄 🎄 🎄  
The Parish makes a united effort to make it a resounding social and economic success. Fit people are needed on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 2pm** to help arrange the furniture and carry goods into the Hall. Stallholders can come at 2.30pm to arrange their stalls until 7pm. Please make lots of cakes, biscuits and pies for the Cake Stall and Refreshments.

**BAZAAR PATRONS:** Many thanks to all who have become Bazaar Patrons – which is very helpful. It's still not too late to become a Bazaar Patron, particularly if you are not able to attend the Bazaar on the **next weekend.** Please address your Patronage to Fr John and make cheques payable to “Epping Catholic Church”.

**RAFFLE TICKETS:** Local businesses have been very generous in donating prizes for our raffle. Tickets will be available for sale again this weekend after all Masses. If you don't buy then you won't be in with a chance of winning!

**MASS FOR ALTAR SERVERS:** On **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November, the 6pm** Mass will be offered for our Altar Servers and their families. This will be followed by a party in the Hall to which we invite all our servers and their families to attend.

**SUNG REQUIEM MASS at St Patrick's Cemetery Leytonstone, E11 4HL:**  
On **Sunday 24 November at 10am** Fr Stewart Foster will offer Mass in the Chapel at the Cemetery for the repose of the souls of all buried in the cemetery. All welcome.

**Walsingham House at Abbotswick – service to commemorate loved ones in the month of November.** Those with relatives and friends commemorated at Abbotswick are warmly invited to a Service of Prayer on **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 6.00pm.** The names of those remembered here will be read out during the service, which will include hymns and scripture readings and will be followed by tea and cakes. If you have any questions, email [frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org) or call 01277373959; otherwise, turn up on the evening and you will be most welcome.

**SILVER JUBILEE OF DEDICATION OF OUR CHURCH:** On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception in 1993, Bishop Thomas celebrated the Dedication of our Church. We will celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the dedication with Bishop Thomas at Mass here at **7.30pm.** We express our gratitude to the parishioners who generously donated for the eight crosses and candles which have now been put up in our church – in that regard we also thank some more parishioners who also offered, but all eight had been taken. The 12 consecration candles and crosses show our church is founded on the faith of the twelve apostles. After Mass, **at 8.30pm** we will have a social celebration in the Hall and people will be able to meet Bishop Thomas, who served the Mass when our church was first opened in the 1954. **Do, please make a special effort to attend. Dr Davnet Barker's very interesting history of our parish, “Towards a Dream”, is available free in the church.**

**HELP NEEDED FOR OUR SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION:** Following Mass for the Silver Jubilee of the Dedication of our Church, we will have a celebration in the Parish Hall. There will be wine, beer and soft drinks provided, but we would like everybody to 'BRING & SHARE' something to eat. If you are able to bring something to share, please let us know what it will be by filling in the sheet pinned to the noticeboard in the Church porch. We'll need a mixture of sweet and savoury finger foods, as well as nibbles like crisps, crackers and nuts. We will also need help to set up the Hall before Mass, from 6.30pm, to lay out tables etc. Please contact **Emma on 07791 235929** if you can help with this. Many thanks in advance.

**CHURCH JUBILEE MASS MUSIC:** Recently we had a meeting in the Priest's House to plan the music for the Silver Jubilee Mass to celebrate the consecration of our Church. We will now welcome musicians & singers for the Jubilee Mass.

**PARISH MUSIC:** A big thank you to parishioners who have offered to help with the music in our parish by operating 'Doris', the device that plays the melody of the hymns in our hymn book. I will also be delighted to have further offers of help with music in our parish. Please offer your talents in the service of God. **Fr John.**

**JOB ADVERT FOR HOUSEKEEPER:** There is a vacancy for a housekeeper to carry out housekeeping and cooking in the Epping Presbytery. The role requires the person to work 4 hours a day, around lunch-time periods, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Rate of pay: £10.60 per hour. Closing date: **30<sup>th</sup> November 2018.** Start date: **8<sup>th</sup> January 2019.** Please tell family and friends about this job and the candidate does not need be Catholic. For details and application please contact Fr John or the Parish Administrator.

**PUTTING CHRIST BACK INTO CHRISTMAS!** This year let us buy only religious Christmas cards & stamps – in this way we spread the Word of God!

**CTED CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCHEON:** We are pleased to invite anyone who will be alone on Christmas Day to join us for a traditional lunch & celebration in our Church Hall on **25<sup>th</sup> December, 12.30pm for 1pm.** Couples & carers may also apply. Transport can be provided. Places are limited, so please telephone Mary Morgan on 01992 574719 or contact Fr John or Deacon Duncan.