MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS Saturday 21st to Sunday 29th September 2019		
Saturday 21st	ST MATI	THEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST
September 2019	11.00am	Mrs Josie Meehan RIP Memorial Mass
TWENTY- FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME C 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2019		
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	6.00pm	In Thanksgiving (Crouch)
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00am	Holy Souls RIP
September 2019	11.00am	People of our Parish
BAPTISM	12.30pm	Delilah Dorothy Hunter
	3.00pm	Tridentine Latin Mass (Sung)
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	St Pius of	Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest
	9.00am	Holy Souls RIP
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady	of Walsingham
_	9.00am	Holy Souls RIP
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	12.15pm	Holy Souls RIP
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Saints Co	smas & Damian, Martyrs
	9.00am	Private Intention
	11.00am	James Paul Ryan RIP Funeral Service
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	St Vincen	t De Paul, Priest
_	9.00am	Holy Souls RIP
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm	BAPTISM of Jack Patrick Alfred Bumstead
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2019		
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	<b>Boldwen Curtin RIP Anniv (Curtin)</b>
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Private Intention (AOB)
September 2019	11.00am	People of our Parish

SACRAMENT of PENANCE: Saturdays: 11.00am to 12 noon & 5.15pm to 5.40pm MORNING PRAYER of DIVINE OFFICE 15 minutes before 9am weekday Mass

BLESSED SACRAMENT Prayer & Adoration for 1 hour after 9am weekday Mass

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WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK IN HOSPITAL & AT HOME: Please inform a Priest or Hospital Chaplain if you or your relative or a parishioner is ill at home or in hospital so that they can be visited and receive the Sacraments

OFFERTORIES last week: Envelopes: £265.50; Loose: £218.91; Standing Orders: £800; CAFOD: £12.02. Thank you for your generous offerings.

<u>HALL BOOKINGS</u> contact Arnold Verrall, preferably telephone 01992 001995 and dial 01992 even in Epping, or mobile 07764404813 or by email arnold verrall@email.com. **Preferential rates for parishioners & for charities**.

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## 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019 THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Whatever our age, whatever our circumstances in life, through our baptism all Catholics are stewards of God's kingdom here on earth! We are all entrusted with preserving and promoting God's wonderful gift of faith in our own life and in the lives of those whom we meet.

As an important hinge-pin of our faith, we are urged to support those in need. We work hard, and rightly so, to create a peaceful, loving and stable home life for our families. It gives us a warm feeling when we and our family are 'comfortably off'...nice home, good food, good social life, good reward for the hard work which goes into making these features possible.....but we need to remember that, as Christians, we have a responsibility to do what we can to help those who lack the essentials of life, wherever and however often their circumstances become known to us.

In a world, and even in our own country, where there is such a wide variation in the basic amenities of food, shelter, clothing and general well-being, it falls to those who are blessed with better circumstances to help those who are denied even a basic standard of living. It is our Christian responsibility to seek opportunities to be helpful whenever such situations become known to us.

We could usefully compare the record of Jesus' care and generosity throughout his ministry with our role as his voice and physical presence in today's world. How do we measure up?!!

God bless.

Deacon Duncan

## RECENTLY DECASED: WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF:

**MRS VERONICA WILLIAMS RIP,** We offer our prayerful sympathy to Bishop Alan whose mother, Veronica aged 97, died in Lancashire. **May she rest in peace.** 

**JAMES RYAN RIP,** of Walthamstow, who died on the 18<sup>th</sup> of August. His Funeral Service will be celebrated in our Church on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 11am,** and will be followed by interment at Epping Cemetery. **May he rest in peace**.

We offer our sympathy and prayerful support to their families. May the Lord send his Holy Spirit, the Comforter, to console and strengthen them at this time.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Parents and first Holy Communion children will have their presentation ceremony & blessings at the Masses in our Church **THIS** weekend. The first preparation session for the children will take place next Wednesday evening, 25<sup>th</sup> September at 5.45pm in the Hall.

<u>TALKS ON OUR CATHOLIC FAITH:</u> We will start a course of talks on the Catholic Faith THIS Wednesday evening, 25<sup>th</sup> September, from 8.00 to 9.15pm, in the Priest's House. These are to help people who wish to understand our faith, become Catholic, support the faith of family members, or take up the practice of the faith into which they were Baptised, but may not have received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion or Confirmation

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS according to the Tridentine Rite will be offered at our Church THIS Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 3pm. Our celebrant will be Mgr. Gordon Read. The texts of readings, hymns and chants will be in English & Latin.

<u>ALTAR SERVERS:</u> We urgently need more Altar Servers to serve at the weekend Masses. Fr John would especially like to hear from those children who have made their first Holy Communion in the past two years.

<u>BAKE SALE</u> THIS SUNDAY, 22<sup>nd</sup> September after 9am and 11am Masses. Donations of cakes and baked goods welcome. Proceeds go to our church.

OUR PARISH QUIZ will be on NEXT Saturday, 28 September, starting at 7.30 for 8pm in our Hall. Tables of up to 8 people, or individuals or smaller groups will be welcome. Bring your own drinks & nibbles. Tickets available after Masses next weekend or email Emma at eppingquiz@yahoo.com. See poster in church porch

YOUTH MASS THIS Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 6pm at St Edmund of Canterbury, Church, Loughton. Young people from Loughton, Waltham Abbey & Epping will be most welcome to join us and be part of the core group as musician, or willing to help in any way) please come – you'll be made most welcome!

PARISH JUMBLE SALE: Our next parish Jumble Sale will be on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 2pm. There will be lists, in due course, for helpers in the porch for Friday 4<sup>th</sup> from 1.30pm and then Saturday from 1.30pm to sell. There will be a list in the porch for helpers for Friday afternoon and Saturday. Please bake cakes for people to have with a cup of tea.

<u>OUR DONATIONS BOX</u> in church has a section marked for Poor & Needy to help homeless people and the mendicants who call to the Priest's House for assistance.

<u>FUNDRAISING PARISH COOKBOOK:</u> Thank you to all those parishioners who have submitted a selection of delicious recipes. **It is still not too late if you would like to include a recipe in this parish cookbook.** The recipes do not have to be elaborate or fancy but just something you and your family have enjoyed. This is opportunity to take a snapshot of the parish as it is today. We have the previous parish cookbook from almost 30 years ago detailing recipes that were popular back then from parishioners of that time so it would be wonderful to publish the second edition in 2019!

**RED MISSION BOXES**: We ask parishioners who have the red Mission Boxes to support the work of the church and foreign missions in Poor countries to bring them to the Church over the next few weeks (Please do not leave boxes with money in the church porch.). Your offerings will be sent to APF to help those in need.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Our Christmas Bazaar will be on **Saturday 30 November**. We would welcome donations of raffle prizes from local businesses – restaurants, hairdressers etc. Please let us know if you or someone you know can help. We will again use the estate agent boards to advertise the event, so soon will be asking parishioners if to have an advertising board. Thank you for your help.

**YOUTH GATHER 2019:** an amazing encounter for your young people (aged school year 9-13) 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> October 2019. As well as all the outward bound activities over the weekend (zip wire, high ropes, archery and much more) at Mersea Island (near Colchester, Essex), we are delighted to be joined by a panel of "BCYS alumni." Part of the BCYS over the last 10-15 years, this interesting group includes a strategist in the Home Office, a Metropolitan Police Sergeant with a very special role, a press officer at HMRC, dealing with tax evasion and crime, a classroom teacher and a school lead practitioner. Come and hear them tell their stories, and share how they navigate the (sometimes very difficult) balance of decisions in their working life and living their Catholic faith. It will be a fascinating encounter for teenagers considering their own pathways in life. Full details and booking information at <a href="https://www.bcys.net/events">www.bcys.net/events</a> and the cost of £50 includes food, cabin accommodation, and coach transport from Stratford, Romford, Brentwood, Basildon, Southend or Chelmsford.

NEW EVANGELISATION SUMMIT TRAINING (NEST): to inspire - to form - to connect. Are you, your parish, or someone you know interested or involved in inspiring and motivating Catholics to know more about living their faith and spreading the good news of the Gospels? Sion Community in partnership with the Home Mission Office of the Catholic Bishop's Conference will be running a training weekend, 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> October 2019 in Brentwood. There will be contributions from well-known speakers such as Fr James Mallon and Michelle Moran., Michael Dopp, who has pioneered NES in Canada will be at the weekend. For more information please contact us admin@sioncommunity.org.uk / 01277 215011 or visit our website: <a href="https://www.sioncommunity.org.uk/new-evangelization-summit.html">https://www.sioncommunity.org.uk/new-evangelization-summit.html</a>.