

The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church



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Parish in the Diocese of Dundee, South Africa

<u>TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES from Saturday 30th July to Sunday 7th August 2022</u>		
<u>EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME C 31st JULY 2022</u>		
Saturday 30 th	6.00pm	Frances Wells RIP Anniv (Wells)
Sunday 31 st	9.00am	People of our Parish
July 2022	11.00am	Sheree Powell RIP Recently (Vine-Morris) STREAMED
Monday 1 st	St Alphonsus Ligouri, Bishop & Doctor	
August 2022	9.15am	Holy Souls RIP
Tuesday 2 nd	St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop	
	9.15am	Holy Souls RIP
Wednesday 3 rd	12 noon	Jim Lennon RIP Anniv (Lechley)
Thursday 4 th	9.15am	St John Vianni (Cure of Ars), Priest
		Holy Souls RIP
Friday 5 th	Dedication of Basilica of St Mary Major in Rome	
	12 noon	Holy Souls RIP
Saturday 6 th	The Transfiguration of the Lord	
<u>NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year C 7th August 2022</u>		
Saturday 6 th	6.00pm	Sharon Palmer's Intentions (Sr Susan)
Sunday 7 th	9.00am	Holy Souls RIP
August 2022	11.00am	People of our Parish

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE on Saturdays 11.30am to 12 noon and on request.

DIocese of Brentwood Website: <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/>
CHURCH SERVICES WITH MASSES STREAMED: www.churchservices.tv/timetable/
Sunday Mass at 11am streamed live from our church on youtube – see inside

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME C MASS BOOK PAGE 118 31 July 2022
ECCLESIASTES 1:2-23 What does a man gain for all his toil and strain under the sun?
PSALM 89 O, Lord you have been our refuge from one generation to the next
COLOSSIANS 3:1-11 We must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.
LUKE 12:13-21 This very night a demand will be made for your soul.

OFFERINGS: Our thanks for your generous weekly Offerings on Sunday 24 July.
You can give in donations to the Priest's House and for charities our parish supports
at: www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=epping

FACEBOOK GROUP: James Ryan manages and monitors our parish Facebook
Group, posts daily updates and links to parishes & activities in our Diocese. To
join go to: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/26415423943/?ref=share/>

BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATES: Baptismal certificates are ready to collect from
Fr John for parents of children recently baptised in our parish.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME C 31 July 2022

Dear Friends and Parishioners,

The rich fool spends his time thinking about himself and his possessions and how he will get even greater riches. Then, he imagines, he will have the good life. He thinks how will I get even more riches? Where will I store them? Then I will have the good life?

All his wealth makes him self-centred. His life and his sense of himself hardens his heart. He has no heart for others; no idea of sharing what he has; what God has given him. And so he dies in his wealth or should we say that he dies in his poverty.

We need to guard against the hold that riches can have over our hearts and minds. Jesus, our Saviour's heart rested in his Father and our hearts are restless till we rest in God our Father who is the source of our true wealth.

God bless you all, Fr Fiacra

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Application forms are in church for parents who wish to prepare their child for first Reconciliation & Holy Communion in **2023**. The **DEADLINE FOR COMPLETED FORMS IS FRIDAY 19th AUGUST**. Children should be in School Year 3 or older in 2022/23 and it is essential that families be attending Mass consistently. There will be a meeting for the parents in **September**.

COMMUNION CATECHISTS: We need more to help prepare children for First Reconciliation & Holy Communion starting in September. You do not need to be a teacher or a musician. Please contact Fr John who will be delighted to hear from you.

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AT HOME, IN HOSPITAL & CARE HOMES:
May Lord heal & comfort all who are ill with his Holy Spirit.

ANNIVERSARIES: Arthur Devereux, Mary Lewis (30/7), Clementine Smith, Fr Michael O'Sullivan (31/7), Maureen McClean, Harry Day (1/8), Walter Burgon, Peter Green (2/8), John (Tony) Mullan (3/8), Bernard George (4/8), Leonard Wing, Jiri Zicha, Therese Robinson (5/8), Vera Nolan, Mary Doherty, Carmela Chaffer (6/8). **Eternal rest grant to them, Lord, let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.**

EPPING FOREST FOOD BANK: EPPING FOREST FOODBANK We thank generous parishioners who give food and goods for Epping Forest FoodBank, in the basket in our church porch by the Priest's House & Sacristy. The Foodbank still requires the usual goods.

NEED OF URGENT HELP: If you or someone you know urgently needs help, please contact the Priest's House. We will endeavour to assist through parishioners who have volunteered to help, the Church, Foodbank or local agencies. Simple things like, chats, phone calls or e-mails can be a comfort to many people.

TALKS ON OUR CATHOLIC FAITH: From September to Easter we will have a series of talks in the Priest's House on Wednesdays from 8pm to 9.15pm on the Catholic faith, for adults interested in finding out about our faith, becoming Catholic or wishing to understand our faith or support family members in their faith. They will suit Catholics who may not have been Confirmed or not been practising or wish to renew or rethink their faith. There is no commitment by attending any or all sessions. We will welcome any Catholic parishioners who may wish to be involved.

APF RED MISSIO BOXES: Please hand in boxes to the Sacristy or Priest's House and **do NOT** leave boxes with money in Church Porch. When emptied and counted, boxes are labelled and left in the Porch to be collected by the owners. **Your money helps Mill Hill Missionaries support poor communities overseas.** If you want a Red Missio Box to give change to this charity, contact Elaine Garwood, our Missio Organiser, on egarwood@live.co.uk. Every little helps! Boxes are available in the Church porch where there is a tray of unused boxes and you can take one.

LIFE or DEATH? A Date for your Diary: Since abortion was legalised and liberalised the lives of 10 million people in England & Wales have been terminated and denied the right to life. Last year 214,869, **one in four babies**, were aborted, an annual increase of nearly 5,000. Please put in **Saturday 3 September** at 2pm in your diary to attend the annual, simple, peaceful witness for life. Please see the notice in church porch. The March for Life UK, Marsham Street, London SW13DW

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND: If you have suffered separation, a divorce or the death of your partner, a residential weekend to help you to heal will be held from **14th to 16th October 2022** at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. If you would like details, please ring Freda 01322-838415 or Maura 07795-498445 or email besouthofengland@gmail.com.

BRENTWOOD DIOCESE LOURDES PILGRIMAGE, 23 - 29 JULY 2022

This week our Diocese is travelling to Lourdes for the first time since 2019, with a group of around 200. You can be part of the pilgrimage at home by following the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter by searching @brentwoodcys. Or go to "Lourdes TV" at www.lourdes-france.org/en for our Grotto Mass on **Tuesday 26th July** at 09:30, The Torchlight (Marian) Procession on **Wednesday 27th July** at 22:00 and the Blessed Sacrament Procession on Thursday 28th July at 18:00."

CATHOLIC SINGLES is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information visit www.catholicingles.org.uk or tel. 0161 941 3498

TRANSYLVANIA: RELIGION, HISTORY & CULTURE Fr Eduard Fartan from Holy Family in Benfleet is organising a Pilgrimage to Transylvania from **18th - 25th October 2022**. The tour will include many beautiful churches and monasteries often set amongst the stunning Romanian countryside and focus on the melting pot of ancient cultures that have been present in the area. The cost will start be £850 for one place in a double room, with an additional charge of £165 for single occupancy. Flights, half board at 3 and 4 star hotels, travel in Romania and tour guides are included in the price. For more information or to register your interest please send an email to benfleet@dioceseofbrentwood.org

WE LIVE STREAM 11am SUNDAY MASS IN OUR CHURCH on youtube:
[youtube.com/channel/UCAbSuwE8X5AOaugAT35hREW](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAbSuwE8X5AOaugAT35hREW) or search on google: **The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Epping** and visit the channel.

On a mobile phone simply scan the QR code to take you to the channel

