

MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS
6th and 7th June 2015

Sat 6th (Vigil Mass)	6 p.m.	Barbara Tobin RIP
Sun 7th	9 a.m. 11 a.m.	Ted Abbott RIP People of the Parish

Week Commencing 8th June 2015

Mon 8th	9 a.m.	Stanislaw Gisczak RIP
Tues 9th	9 a.m.	Holy Souls
Wed 10th	9 a.m.	Fr David Walme RIP
Thurs 11th	9 a.m.	Sr Bernadette RIP
Fri 12th <u>Feast of the Sacred Heart</u>	9 a.m.	Tara Tobin RIP
Sat 13th (Vigil Mass)	6 p.m.	Mr & Mrs Childs' Intentions
Sun 14th	9 a.m. 11 a.m.	Diane Harrington RIP People of the Parish

Morning Prayer will be said in the week 15 minutes before 9 am Liturgy

Confessions: Saturday 11.30am -12 noon and after 6pm Mass.

Please pray for the sick:

Yvonne Morrall, Doris Scott, Gina Pelosi, Paula Hall, Tullia Borrelli,
Jennie Downs, Sean Clohessy, Bernard George, Maureen McClean, Michael
Palmer, Catherine Steel, Tony Mullen, David Kenworthy and James Bullen.

OFFERINGS (£): Offertory Envelopes 258.00
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Newsletter

The Immaculate Conception

CORPUS CHRISTI

7th June 2015

Dear friends,

today we celebrate Corpus Christi, the feast of the Lord's Body and Blood. Last week's feast of the Blessed Trinity distinguishes Christianity from Judaism and Islam. Today's feast of the Holy Eucharist distinguishes Catholics from Protestantism. Catholics believe literally in Jesus' words: ***this is my Body, this is my Blood.*** We believe Jesus to be really present in the most holy sacrament reserved in the tabernacle. Every year the celebration of First Holy Communion highlights our determination to hand on this belief to our children. Since the Eucharist is not only the Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body but also his Blood, I strongly recommend reception from the chalice. Speaking personally it causes me sadness to see so many people pass the chalice by, thus failing the invitation "***take and drink***" given to us by Jesus himself.

Another lovely feast of the Lord occurs later during the week. Friday is the feast of the Sacred Heart when the Lord's humanity is emphasised. I still use often the prayer taught to me as a child: ***Sacred Heart of Jesus I place my trust in you.*** Jesus asks us to learn from him the example of humility and gentleness of heart. In a pushy and aggressive world it is a much needed lesson.

God bless you always

Fr James

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NAME BADGE WEEKEND: Coming Soon! Coffee, Wine and New Friends. Next weekend, 13 and 14 June, you will be invited to wear your name (labels and pens provided) so that we can all learn more names of our fellow parishioners.

In the hall, after both the 9am and 11am Sunday masses, coffee and tea will be served, and if you would like to meet more people after the 6pm Saturday mass, coffee, tea, or a glass of wine.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Year 8 Worship Experience Friday 19th June:

Every year the Churches together welcome 150 Year 8 students (aged 12/13) from Epping St John's School for a morning of worship activities in St John's Church, organised by the school Chaplaincy Team. We will be needing many volunteers for this event, as follows:

Volunteers for Thursday 18th June from 1pm onwards to help move chairs and set up the church.

Volunteers for Friday 19th June between 8:45am and 11am to help supervise 3 minute activities for groups of 7 students. All materials and instructions are provided. If you can help, please contact Alison Dolan 07855 958 653.

ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING: A four week course will begin on Friday 12th June at 5pm in church. Please contact Fr James. Children who have made First Holy Communion are particularly encouraged to join but anyone interested will be most welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS ROTAS:

Please will the above collect their new rotas from the post box in the church porch – thank you.

CHRISTIAN AID: The Christian Aid result has exceeded last year by over £100 giving a total of £1230.38 (including Gift Aid). Congratulations to all the parishioners who helped with the collection. Your individual thank you cards are in the parish letter rack. Thanks, too, to Brenda Sebire who helped sort the packages and to JoAnn O'Neill who counted the money and banked it.

ROOM FOR RENT REQUIRED: Non smoking/alcohol drinking, Portuguese, female Catholic seeks accommodation in Epping area in exchange for work or paying rent. She has a degree in psychology and experience in animal care. If you can help then please call Rubina on 074776 66670.

PARISH WEBSITE: work is currently taking place on the website therefore it is not possible, at present, to download the weekly Newsletter. Please bear with us while the site is being upgraded.

HEALING MASS: at Abbotswick, House of Prayer, Brentwood to be celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power at 2.30pm Wednesday 17th June 2015. All are welcome! Please call 01277 373959 for more information.

BAPTISM: Congratulations to Frederick Woolward and Kieran Glover.

PARISH COUNCIL: The next meeting of the Parish Council will be in the presbytery at 8pm on Wednesday 17 June. Our meetings are open to all parishioners and you will be made very welcome if you wish to attend. If you have an item that you would like us to discuss, please send it to the chairman at melanie@hollinsheadandco.com, or phone Melanie Hollinshead on 01992 812504.

COULD YOU JOIN THE CHURCH READERS?

We are arranging a ½ day introductory session for new Church Readers and invite anyone who would like to read at Mass to come and 'test the water'. This is an opportunity to help to spread God's word in a simple but very effective way. Could you help us, please? The essential need is that you are prepared to read from the lectern in a clear and understandable way and be prepared to be on the Readers' Rota. Full introductory training will be given at either of two Introductory Training mornings on Saturday 25th July or Saturday 1st August (or we might make other arrangements if you are on holiday). **If you are over 14 years of age and would like to help in this important way, please give your name to Deacon Duncan or Fr James** and specify on which date you can attend the training.

BRENTWOOD CHILDREN'S SOCIETY CHARITY SHINDIG on Friday 10th July at The Champion School, Hornchurch. Tickets cost £22

per person which will include a light supper. Guests will be treated to a display of Irish Dancing followed by dancing to a traditional ceili band and caller and a traditional sing-a-long. Tickets for this adult-only event are limited and will be sold on a strictly 'first come first served' basis. For tickets and information, contact Julie Abbott – 01268 784544 / 07912277413 - jabbott@bccs.org.uk

OFFICE MANAGER VACANCY: St Joseph's Infant School, Leyton. The role is varied and involves leading a small administration team. For more details please email rboon.320@lgflmail.org or telephone 0208 5393000.

GRANDPARENTS' PILGRIMAGE: Calling all Grandparents, Grandchildren and of course Mums and Dads. Join us on Saturday 11th July at Aylesford Priory for a day of faith and fun. For more details please contact Caroline on 01328 560333.

ST FRANCIS RC PRIMARY SCHOOL, MALDON:

Vacancy for Head of School at St Francis R/C Primary, Maldon Closing Date 1st July with interviews 13th July. Application packs available on line at Essex Job Scene. School visits very welcome, please contact school on 01621 856698

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please make yourselves known to Fr James or Deacon Duncan, so that we may welcome you to the parish and inform you about our parish activities.