

MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS
19th and 20th September 2015

Sat 19th (Vigil Mass)	6 p.m.	Marian Ward RIP
Sun 20th	9 a.m. 11 a.m.	People of the Parish Harry Day RIP

Week Commencing 21st September 2015

Mon 21st	9 a.m.	Jesse Jaworski RIP
Tues 22nd	9 a.m.	David Keating RIP
Wed 23rd	9 a.m.	Mary Furlong RIP
Thurs 24th	9 a.m.	Teresa Ryan RIP
Fri 25th	9 a.m.	Holy Souls
Sat 26th (Vigil Mass)	6 p.m.	Maureen Prendergast RIP
Sun 27th	9 a.m. 11 a.m.	Brian O'Sullivan RIP People of the Parish

Morning Prayer will be held in the week 15 minutes before 9 am Mass

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

Please pray for the sick:

Yvonne Morrall, Doris Scott, Paula Hall, Tullia Borrelli, Catherine Steel,
 Tony Mullan, David Kenworthy, James Bullen and Hannah Robinson.

OFFERINGS (£):	Offertory Envelopes	181.00
	Offertory Loose Plate	306.32
	CAFOD	22.60

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Newsletter
**The Church of the Immaculate
 Conception
 Epping**

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR **20th September 2015**

Dear friends,

Celebrity, wealth and status are causes for endless fascination in society. The media thrive on stories about the rich and famous while the rest of us are made to feel envious or inadequate. All this is at variance with the values of the gospel which promote poverty of spirit, gentleness and a thirst for decency and fairness. In today's gospel our Lord patiently reproves his disciples for a petty squabble amongst themselves over seniority. Even in our own day the effectiveness of a parish to communicate the message of the gospel can be impaired by puerile power struggles amongst people about who should be doing what. The Kingdom of God can only be advanced by a real desire on the part of all of Christ's followers to follow his example of service and sacrifice. As a schoolboy I was taught by the Jesuit Fathers to write the letters **A.M.D.G.** at the top of all my homework. They stand for a Latin motto which means ***For the Greater Glory of God*** and that should be the purpose of all our endeavours.

Please pray for the thirteen children being enrolled for the First Holy Communion preparation this morning. Children are welcomed by Jesus in today's gospel and in his name we welcome these little ones as they make their journey of faith.

God bless you always

Fr James

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CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY will be on Friday October 8th this year. There will be a collection made after each Mass on October 9th and 10th. Many thanks for your support for Cafod's work.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME: The classes for the children will begin this coming Tuesday 22nd September at 5.45pm in the Hall.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS' ROTAS: please collect your new rotas from the post box in the church porch.

ECUMENICAL STUDY DAY ON THE FOUR GOSPELS:
On Saturday 10th October in Brentwood Cathedral Hall from 10.30 a.m. until 3 p.m. Professor Richard Burrige, Dean of King's College, London, will lead a study day entitled 'What are the gospels?' Please book your place by email to cef@dioceseofbrentwood.org There is no charge for the day and a light buffet lunch will be provided.

ECCA QUIZ NIGHT: ECCA is holding a quiz night on Saturday 26th September in our Hall. Entrance is only £7.50p per person but please bring your own food, drinks and nibbles. Tables of 8 - (10 max), 7pm for 7.30pm start. Should be a fun evening. Enquiries, or to book a table, phone Janet Clements on 01992 578262.

DIARY NOTE FOR THE SERVICE FOR PEACE ON 25th OCTOBER:
Churches Together in Epping and District (CTED) is holding its annual Peace Service **in our church on Sunday 25th October at 4pm**. Please keep the date free, so that you can come and join all Christians in Epping and District in this most important service. More details to follow.

St Mark's West Essex Catholic School Open Day Thursday 1 October 2015: The Governors, staff and students warmly invite children who are transferring to secondary school September 2016, and their parents, to their Open Day. The school will be open from 9.30am – 12.45pm and 7-9pm. The Headteacher's talk will take place at 8.15pm. Tours can also be arranged at additional times on request. OFSTED judged St Mark's to be "a good school with outstanding features. School address - Tripton Road, Harlow, CM18 6AA . Telephone - 01279 421267.

CATHOLIC SINGLES is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website www.catholicingles.org.uk or email info@catholicingles.org.uk

JUMBLE SALE: Saturday 10th October at 2pm in our church hall. Please leave any good quality jumble in the church porch for collection.

BREAST CANCER CHARITY FUN RUN/WALK 5K OR 10K: In aid of the Breast Cancer Clinical Trials Charity at St Margaret's Hospital & Princess Alexandra Hospital. The event starts and finishes behind The Queen Elizabeth Hunting Lodge, Rangers Road, North Chingford on **27th September 9am registration for 9.30am start**. To register please call the charity office on 01279 827857.

CHURCH HALL BOOKINGS: Please note that the Hall Bookings Secretary will be away from 7th September to 15th October 2015 (inclusive). During this time no Hall bookings will be taken.

SCHOOL OPEN EVENING: Trinity Catholic High School will be holding an Open Evening for prospective entrants on Wednesday 23rd September 2015 at the Lower Site, Sydney Road, Woodford Green. Parents are invited to look around the school between 6pm and 7.30pm. A presentation will be made at 7.30pm by the Head, Dr Doherty.

QUIZ NIGHT: Radio Forest Hospital Radio is holding a quiz night to raise funds for their services at St Margaret's, Brentwood and Saffron Walden Hospitals as well as the Derwent Centre in Harlow. The date is **Saturday 24th October 7.30pm** in our Hall. Tickets are £12 and include a fish and chip supper. Please bring your own drinks. Teams of up to eight. For further information please call 01992 577646.

BCCS CHARITY RACE NIGHT: The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society will be hosting a Charity Night at Romford Greyhound Stadium on Friday 9th October 2015. Tickets are priced at £25 per person and include a 3 Course Meal with Coffee in the Pavilion Restaurant and free race card. There are also sponsorship opportunities for companies or individuals to have a race in their name at the event. For further details and to book tickets call Julie on 01268 784544 or email jabbott@bccs.org.uk

PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING at SION Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, will take place this month on **Sunday 27th September 2015, 7.30pm to 9.00pm**. Everyone welcome.

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.