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PARISH NEWSLETTER

**6th August 2017 – Transfiguration of the Lord
and**

13th August 2017 – Nineteenth Sunday of the Year (A)

This is a "double-issue" newsletter which covers two weekends.

Milly's Book by her friends in the Stella Dawson Child Friendly Prayer Group

Copies of this book are still available at £5.00 each. All proceeds raised go directly to the Lourdes fund for Sacred Heart and St John Fisher. Many thanks and enjoy!

Collections of Food and Toiletries

	Dates	Priority Items
HARP	5 th -6 th August	Coffee, teabags, sugar and toiletries.
Foodbank	12 th -13 th August 19 th -20 th August	Tinned vegetables, long life milk, tinned meat meals (pies, meat balls, curry etc), cartons of apple or orange juice, squash, packet mash and tea bags.

Coffee and Cake - St John Fisher

Please join us in the hall after Mass today (Sunday 6th August) to enjoy some homemade cakes, sausage rolls and delicious filter coffee.

As you know, we are raising money to buy a commemorative chalice to mark the 50th anniversary of St John Fisher. The money raised will go towards the cost.

In September we will start our new CAFOD project and we will be inviting you to tell us your ideas. More details soon.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday 15th August is the Feast Day of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be at Sacred Heart at 9.30am and at St John Fisher at 7.30pm.

Meeting for St John Fisher Eucharistic Ministers

Please can all St John Fisher Eucharistic Ministers attend a meeting after the 9.00am Mass on Sunday 13th August. Thank you.

Appeal for new Eucharistic Ministers

We are in need of some new Eucharistic Ministers (for both Churches) who can take Communion to housebound parishioners. If you would like to become a Minister, **and can commit to taking communion to someone in their home at least fortnightly**, please get your name and contact details to Fr Graham. Please do this either on paper or via e-mail to parish@catholicsouthend.org.uk. Full training will be provided and all Ministers will be subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly Criminal Records Bureau) check.

Knights of St Columba - Rosary for Peace 6th – 15th August

Please join the Knights of St Columba by saying the rosary in their nine day Rosary Crusade for Peace throughout the World. The Crusade will conclude on 15th August – The Holy Day of Obligation for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass on that day will be at 9.30am at Sacred Heart and at 7.30pm at St John Fisher.

Changes to the Parish Newsletter

Some changes to the Parish newsletter were recently agreed by the Parish Council. They are:

- For those who wish to receive it electronically, the newsletter will be sent via e-mail. If you would like to receive it in this format, please send an e-mail to parish@catholicsouthend.org.uk quoting "Request to receive newsletter via e-mail" in the subject box.
- From September 2017 the pre-printed covers will no longer be used. A small number will be available in the porches for those who still wish to take one away to read.
- The antiphons and responses will be reproduced in the new format newsletter.
- The newsletter will no longer be in a booklet format but will consist of A4 pages stapled in the top left hand corner.

We hope that, as well as saving money, these changes will improve the way you receive information about our Parish.

Stella Dawson Child Friendly Prayer Group

The Prayer Group will not be meeting again until after the school holidays and will reconvene on Wednesday 13th September at 10.00am in Sacred Heart Hall. If, during the holidays, you have an urgent prayer need please call Marianna on 07813 207497.

Coach Excursion – Saint James Church & Hyde Park

Join us on Sunday 13th August for a wonderful sung Mass at Saint James Church, Spanish Place, London then join the congregation for their coffee morning. You are then free to explore – Hyde Park and The Wallace Collection are nearby. Free admission, the Wallace Collection boasts a world class collection of art and artefacts. Adults £15 – OAP's £14 – Children Free (10 places on a first come first served basis). Departing Sacred Heart 8.00am and St John Fisher 8.10am. Speak to Sandy or Liam or phone Liam 07952 954833 or email: liam.rand@btopenworld.com

Stewards of the Gospel – Draft Vision and Strategy

The next important stage of the Stewards of the Gospel discernment process is upon us! On Monday 7th August a document setting out in draft a vision and strategy to take our Diocese forward will be published at <http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/news/>. We will also be getting hard copies of the document to share and read so that we can pray about the contents and discuss them before responding to it.

Discounted Adventure Island Tickets Available

From the Friends of Sacred Heart School (FOSH). Big bands £16 Small £13, Adventure golf £5, Sealife centre £5. From Robin Gibson 07588 384040 or Michelle Truter-Banks 07982 429691.

Ladies' Afternoon Tea in aid of BCCS

BCCS will be holding a Ladies' Afternoon Tea at The Rayleigh Club, Hulbridge on Thursday 21st September. Afternoon Tea will be served at 2.00pm beginning with a glass of Bucks Fizz followed by finger sandwiches, scones and cream, cakes, sweet treats and tea or coffee. Tickets are £20 each from Libby on 01268 784544/lphillips@bccs.org.uk

RSCM-EEL Annual Choral Festival 2017

This Festival will celebrate the Centenary of the Diocese of Brentwood at Brentwood Cathedral on Saturday, 21st October from 10.00am to 5.00pm with the Thanksgiving Service at 4.00pm. We invite all singers to join us for a day of singing. Individual singers are warmly welcomed, as are members of all choirs. The music is included in a booklet which has been printed by the Royal School of Church Music. Copies of the booklet £5 and further information from shirleytimmins@btinternet.com.

Lourdes, Summer 2017 - virtual pilgrimage

Video clips of 2-10 minutes capture the flavour of the recent Diocesan pilgrimage, including all the homilies, and interviews with Bishop Alan and Fr Bob Hamill. You can find these via www.bcys.net or search "Virtual Pilgrimage – Lourdes 2017" on YouTube.

World Youth Day, Panama, January 2019

If you will be in year 12, or aged 17-27, in January 2019, then join the BCYS group travelling to Costa Rica and Panama for an encounter with 2 million young people from all over the world, and the Pope. This is truly a "once in a lifetime" experience and an amazing opportunity to discover and celebrate faith in Latin America. For details visit www.bcys.net or email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org by 15th September 2017.

Rest in Peace *(This list covers two weeks.)*

Please remember and pray for those who have died, especially those whose anniversaries fall about this time; Martin Kavanagh, Patrick McMahon, Pope Paul VI, Mary Alston, Ronald Bundy, Francis Parsad, Elizabeth Leach, Gwendolyn Coe, Stanley Upson, Lillian O'Callaghan, Joan Miles, Fr Henry Tilley, Fr David Coughlan, Fr Hugh Verity, John Murray, Tina Avery, Julie Cain, Lorna Mary Richards, Thomas Sullivan, Michael Hynes, Edith Marie Brooker, James Score, Peter Taglioni, Josephine Shailer, Leda Greenfield, Len Summers, Godfrey Aquilina, Ivy Cavalli, Violet Hackett, Catherine (Kathleen) Gregory, Henry Lee, Mrs B Basil, Fr Stephen Keane, Inga Wilbraham, John Armitage, Antonietta Ierubino, Michael Holmwood, Sandra White, Cynthia Assiter, Anne Martin, Richard Ryan, Mariano Sanchez-Jimenez, Rosa Frances Maughan, May Smith and Nancy Parker.

Sick Parishioners

Please pray for our sick parishioners and friends, especially; for Jack Allen, Val Armitage, Charmaine Arnold, Marie Biner, Andrew Bines, Julie Borg, David Bunce, Richard Campbell-Carr, Eric Carpenter, Sena Carson, Paul Clark, Chris Coath, Shirley Corboy, Ann Cummings, Mary Curtis, Emily Davis, Bernadette Dawson, June Deighton, John Dermody, Richard Dixon, Pam Dobson, Helen Escott, (baby) Harleigh Farrow, Roy Fitchew, Katie Fitzpatrick, Dorothy George, Margaret Gibbons, Clare Giffen, Lesley Gooze, Joseph Honeyands, Katie Honeyands, Ann Husk, Bartley Igoe Jnr, Teresa Igoe, Alex Jackson, Mollie Keeble, Margaret Lee, Tony Lee, Elaine Liddon, Miki Lovas, John Lovett, "Dana" Danuta Luniewski, Barbara McHugo, Barbara Ann McLoughlin, Joy May, Carol Middleton, James Moloney, Patrick Moroney, Dr Johnson Odufuwa, Margaret Parsad, Mary Rand, Sister Marika Rebicsek, Irene Reynolds, Jane Richardson, Anita Rogers, Geraldine Scraggs, Kaisha Secre, Francoise Simpson, Jane Smart, Daniel Snelling, Bill Spencer, Bob Stephens, Geraldine Stephens, Pete Wake and Patricia Walford.

Money

Offertory – Sunday 30th July 2017

£997.44

Masses and Services	Sacred Heart	St John Fisher
Saturday 5th August First Mass of Sunday	5.30pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	
Sunday 6th August Transfiguration of the Lord	9.00am <i>Polish Mass</i> 11.00am <i>Elvis Presley RIP</i> 1.00pm Baptism <i>Benjamin Matthew Hunter</i>	9.00am <i>St Donato</i>
Monday 7 th August Feria	9.00am <i>Elizabeth Wise RIP</i>	
Tuesday 8 th August St Dominic		9.30am <i>Ann Madden RIP</i>
Wednesday 9 th August St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	(<i>No Stella Dawson Child Friendly Prayer Group this week.</i>) 12 noon <i>Intentions of Lisa Hopkinson's family</i>	
Thursday 10 th August St Lawrence	7.00pm (<i>followed by Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>) <i>In thanksgiving – Richard and Barbara Briggs</i>	
Friday 11 th August St Clare	9.00am <i>Gloria Smith RIP</i>	
Saturday 12 th August Our Lady on Saturday	10.00am to 10.45am – Confessions	
Saturday 12th August First Mass of Sunday	5.30pm <i>Intentions of Catherine Hickey and family</i>	9.00am <i>Denis Hanlon RIP</i>
Sunday 13th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)	9.00am <i>Polish Mass</i> 11.00am <i>People of the Parish</i>	9.00am <i>Antonio De Mambro RIP</i>

The Angelus will be recited 5 minutes before Sunday (and Saturday 5.30pm) Masses from next weekend.

Rosary - The Holy Rosary is said in both Churches before the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses. It is also said at Sacred Heart after 9.00am weekday masses and 6.30pm when there is evening Mass.

Morning Prayer begins 15 minutes before weekday Masses

Masses and Services Continued	Sacred Heart	St John Fisher
Monday 14th August St Maximilian Kolbe	9.00am <i>Ingeborg Wilbraham RIP</i>	
Tuesday 15th August The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Holy Day of Obligation	
	9.30am <i>Gerald Sullivan RIP</i>	7.30pm <i>Intentions of Veronica Mahon</i>
Wednesday 16 th August Feria	<i>(No Stella Dawson Child Friendly Prayer Group this week.)</i> 12 noon <i>Stephanie Wyckmans RIP</i>	
Thursday 17th August Feria	7.00pm (followed by Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament) <i>Intentions of June O'Driscoll</i>	
Friday 18th August St Helen	9.00am <i>Intentions of, and thanksgiving for, Fr Graham and friends</i>	
Saturday 19th August Our Lady on Saturday	10.00am to 10.45am – Confessions 11.00am Convalidation Carolina and John Marshall	9.00am <i>Canon Peter Coyle RIP</i>
Saturday 19th August First Mass of Sunday	5.30pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	
Sunday 20th August Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)	9.00am <i>Polish Mass</i> 11.00am <i>Intentions of Sue and John Gunn</i>	9.00am <i>Ralph Gretton RIP</i>

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