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PARISH NEWSLETTER

23rd April 2017 - Second Sunday of Easter (A)

Sausages! - Coffee Morning – Today (23rd April)

The Social Committee invite you to join us in Sacred Heart Hall after 11.00am Mass today (23rd April) for a sausage in a bread roll, or cheese ploughman's. All funds raised will go towards church funds, especially hall re-decoration.

Stewards of The Gospel Meeting – Today!

The first of these two meetings will be held today (23rd April) at 2.30pm in Sacred Heart Hall.

Join us for coffee and cake, two short presentations covering the process so far and the planned Parish Mission and then the floor will be opened for debate. This is an extremely important time for our parish and diocese requiring your attention and involvement. We look forward to meeting you and discussing the future. Thank you.

If you cannot attend this meeting you are welcome to attend the one planned at St John Fisher Hall on Sunday 14th May at 2.00pm.

First Holy Communion Children's Mass

We welcome our First Holy Communion Children to take a special part in the 11.00am Mass at Sacred Heart today.

Next Sunday - CAFOD Coffee Morning

Immediately following 11.00am Mass at Sacred Heart Church on Sunday 30th April join us for a raffle, coffee and cake to help CAFOD in their battle to support refugees in Syria and surrounding countries. We very much look forward to your continued support. Sandy & Liam Rand.

Tea and Coffee after Mass

This coming Wednesday straight after the 12 noon Mass at Sacred Heart.

Baptism Preparation

The next Course for parents and expectant parents who wish to have a child baptised at Sacred Heart or St John Fisher will be on Monday 15th May at 7.00pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Please pick up a form from the church porch to register for the course and request the Baptism.

Wanted - Ground Floor Flat to Rent

In the Southchurch/Southend area and where pets would be welcome. Please ring 01702 311677 if you can help.

Gift Aid

Gift Aid is linked to basic rate tax (payable on income over £11,000.00 in 2016-17 and over £11,500.00 in 2017-18). If your circumstances have changed and you are no longer a tax payer please notify Sue in the Parish Office as soon as possible. Additionally, if you pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in any tax year that the amount of Gift Aid claimed on your donations, it is your responsibility to pay any difference.

Thank you from Sue and John Gunn

Both Sue and I would like to thank everybody for their kindness and generosity given to us on the celebration of our Golden Wedding anniversary and also the support and blessings I was given for my Confirmation and Reception into the Church.

John Gunn

Collections of Food and Toiletries		
	Dates	Priority Items
HARP	1 st – 2 nd April 6 th -7 th May	Coffee, teabags, sugar and toiletries.
Foodbank	22 nd -23 rd April 29 th -30 th April	Tinned potatoes, packet mashed potato, meat meals (meatballs, curry, chilli etc) and tinned or long life puddings.

Pilgrimage to World War I Cemeteries and Battlefields

Tuesday 30th May. To Passchendaele's battlefield, New British Cemetery and many of the famous landmarks including the Memorial Museum then travel to Ypres where you are free to visit the Menin Gate, the World War I museum, enjoy a meal in one of the many restaurants, before gathering at the Menin Gate for the last post and departure. Pick up points 6:45am Sacred Heart Church - 6:55am Nazareth House and 7:05am Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Due back in Southend shortly after midnight. Passports are required. Adults £49 – Children Free (8 places only on a first come first served basis thereafter children will need to pay £49). Tickets from Liam Rand 07952 954833 or Damian Dillon 07887 678741.

Lost Property at St John Fisher

There is quite an accumulation of gloves, umbrellas, glasses, a pair of toddler shoes, etc at the back of the church. If you have lost anything please check the box under the table at the back of the church. All items will be donated to charity if not claimed after a month. Thank you.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes – July 2017 – Reminder!

Payment of the balance is due by 19th May - please get payment to the Parish Office at Sacred Heart Presbytery. If paying by cheque, please make it out to Sacred Heart Church.

Diocese of Brentwood Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Saturday 22nd July - join Bishop Alan and parishes throughout the Diocese as we come together to celebrate our Diocesan Centenary. You will need to bring a packed lunch and something to sit on for Mass in the Abbey grounds (something you can comfortably carry with you during the one-mile procession). The Programme: 11am – Arrive to the RC Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham. 12 (Noon) - Dedication of the Diocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, in the grounds of the Basilica. 12.30pm – Lunch. 1.30pm – Procession to Little Walsingham Village. 3pm – Mass. 4:30pm – Conclusion and departure. We will be departing Sacred Heart Church at 7.00am and St John Fisher at 7.10am and expect to back in Southend by 8.00pm. Adults: £20 – Children Free (10 places only thereafter children will be charged at the adult rate)

Coach Excursion to Cambridge

Saturday 27th May, leaving Sacred Heart Church at 8.30am and St John Fisher ten minutes later. In the city that inspired great minds from Charles Darwin to Stephen Hawking, you'll find one of the world's oldest universities, the 1871 Gothic revival, All Saints Church, and the gardens favoured by 17th century poet John Milton. Cambridge is also home to ADC Theatre, the oldest university playhouse in England. Perfect for taking in the mix of traditional pubs and contemporary restaurants. Climb the tower of the University's Great St Mary's Church for sweeping views of the city or even take a punt on the River Cam. There's so much to do. Adults £15, OAP's £14, Children Free (10 places on a first come first served basis thereafter children's places will be charged at £14).

To book for either trip, please speak to Sandy or Liam, phone 07952 954833 or email: liam.rand@btopenworld.com

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In the Southchurch/Southend area and where pets would be welcome. Please ring 01702 311677 if you can help.

FOSH Charity Meal

Thursday 4th May at 7.30pm at the Ashianna (Indian) restaurant in Southchurch Road. All welcome. £12 per person with a buffet style meal. Please see Michelle Truter Banks 07982 429691.

200 Club

It is time to renew your numbers for the next year. The cost is still only £1 per number per month – Sandy and Liam will be approaching you over coming weeks to arrange payment. If you would like to join, please let us know. We are available at most Masses, phone 07952 954833 or email: liam.rand@btopenworld.com

CAFOD Lenten Pyramid Boxes – Sacred Heart

Could you please return the boxes you collected at the beginning of Lent, hopefully full of coins – Thank you.

For the Attention of all Parents with Young Children

Sacred Heart School are holding tours next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to show parents around the Nursery Class and the rest of the school. This opportunity to visit Nursery is open to any parents of Nursery age children (a child turning three in the next academic year). The visits will begin at 9.30am on all three mornings, however please make sure you contact the School Office on 01702 534546 to book.

Charity Meal in aid of “Rubbish Tip Kids”

At Zen City Chinese Restaurant, Hamlet Court Road, Westcliff on Wednesday 10th May at 7.00pm for 7.30pm. The cost is £18.00 per person. If you can support this worthwhile cause, please call Carmen on 01702 305172 (evenings) or 07816 085190.

Regina Caeli

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.

R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia.

Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.

Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.

Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

Brentwood Diocesan Centenary Choirs Celebration

Saturday 29th April 5.30pm at St Antony of Padua, Forest Gate, London E7 9QB (followed by Vigil Mass for Sunday at 6.30pm). Parish choirs from the London parishes of the diocese will be taking part. All welcome.

CAFOD talk – “Migrants and Refugees”

Monday 8th May at 8.00pm at Brentwood Cathedral Parish Hall. To include an update on CAFOD's response to the Refugee Crisis' followed by discussion and reflection on how we can help in our parishes and communities. Last year CAFOD's World News Officer, Laura Ouseley, travelled to the village of Idomeni on the border of Greece and Macedonia. She will be talk about her visit and update us on the work that CAFOD's partners are doing in Lebanon, Jordan and Greece.

RCIA Congratulations

Congratulations to Linda, John, Kevin and Peter who came into full communion with the Catholic Church over Easter.

Rest in Peace

Please remember and pray for those who have died, especially those whose anniversaries fall about this time; Winifred Cox, Fr Michael Enright, Marie Potter, Remona Armstrong, Canon Thomas Smith, Olga Maybank, Veronica Parker, Maisie Hopkinson, Veronica May Parker, John Moore, Catherine Russell, Jake Tierney, Fr Simon Sullivan, Joan Parry, Fr Miles O'Reilly, Derek Goozee, Maria Compson, Ellen Catherine Richards, Rosa Smith, Robert Smith, Harold Carter, Sydney Cooper, John Norris, William Grout, Marie Therese Pinto, Florence Holland, Alfred Linvell, James Daly and Irina Misauskiene.

Sick Parishioners

Please pray for our sick parishioners and friends, especially; for Jack Allen, Val Armitage, Charmaine Arnold, Marie Biner, Andrew Bines, Julie Borg, Barbara Briggs, David Bunce, Richard Campbell-Carr, Eric Carpenter, Sena Carson, Jenny Chappell, Paul Clark, Chris Coath, Ann Cummings, Joy Curtis, Mary Curtis, Emily Davis, Bernadette Dawson, June Deighton, John Dermody, Pam Dobson, Helen Escott, Roy Fitchew, Laura Fulu, Katie Fitzpatrick, Binella French, Dorothy George, Margaret Gibbons, Clare Giffen, Lesley Gooze, Joseph Honeyands, Katie Honeyands, Ann Husk, Bartley Igoe Jnr, Teresa Igoe, John Izod, Alex Jackson, Kiesha, Alex Lawson, Margaret Lee, Tony Lee, Elaine Liddon, "Dana" Danuta Luniewski, Barbara McHugo, Barbara Ann McLoughlin, Carol Middleton, James Moloney, Dr Johnson Odufuwa, Margaret Parsad, Mary Rand, Sister Marika Rebicsek, Irene Reynolds, Jane Richardson, Anita Rogers, Françoise Simpson, Jane Smart, Daniel Snelling, Bill Spencer and Patricia Walford.

Masses and Services	Sacred Heart	St John Fisher
Saturday 22nd April Saturday within the Octave of Easter	5.30pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	
Sunday 23rd April Second Sunday of Easter	9.00am <i>Polish Mass</i> 11.00am <i>Gerald Carroll RIP (SVP)</i> 1.00pm Baptism <i>Tobias Stanley</i>	9.00am <i>Antonio Di Mambro RIP</i>
Monday 24 th April Saint George	9.00am <i>Eileen McHugo RIP</i>	
Tuesday 25 th April Saint Mark		9.30am <i>Holy Souls</i>
Wednesday 26 ^h April Feria	10.00am Stella Dawson Child Friendly Prayer Group <i>in the hall</i> 12 noon <i>Lilian MacAuley RIP</i>	
Thursday 27 th April Feria	7.00pm <i>(Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction)</i> <i>Milly Wake RIP</i>	
Friday 28 th April Feria	9.00am <i>Intentions of Barbara Briggs</i>	
Saturday 29 th April St Catherine of Sienna	10.00am to 10.45am Confessions 1.00pm Wedding <i>Marie Lang and Andrew Jackson</i>	9.00am <i>Holy Souls</i>
Saturday 29th April First Mass of Sunday	5.30pm <i>Cath Lawrie RIP</i>	
Sunday 30th April Third Sunday of Easter	9.00am <i>Polish Mass</i> 11.00am <i>Don and Florence Fell RIP</i>	9.00am <i>People of the Parish</i>

The Regina Caeli will be recited 5 minutes before the weekend Masses.

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