

# Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception and St Joseph

The Fifteenth Sunday of the Year  
12<sup>th</sup> July 2009



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**SPONSORED WALK – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2pm Lea Valley Park**  
Following the same route as last year, your sponsor form will be available soon.

## APF COLLECTION

It is time for the next collection from APF red box holders in the Parish. Please take home an APF envelope with your name and address on from the box at the back of the church. Please take it home, fill it with the contents of your APF box, and return it to the Church next Sunday. The APF is the charity that helps Catholic missionaries to continue to work in countries across the world. We thank you for all the money you give to this important work. If you have any questions, please contact Terry O'Sullivan on 01992 444642.

## THE PASSAGE ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY

Please support the excellent work which The Passage does for homeless people in Central London, by attending The Passage Annual Garden Party in the beautiful and historic College Garden, Westminster Abbey on Wednesday 22 July, from 5.30pm to 8.30pm. Tickets at £25 each, include wine, soft drinks, buffet supper and live music. Tickets are available from The Passage, St Vincent's Centre, Carlisle Place, London, SW1P 1NL. Tel 020 7592 1856. email [tickets@passage.org.uk](mailto:tickets@passage.org.uk) See also [www.passage.org.uk](http://www.passage.org.uk)

## SEA SUNDAY

Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church remembers all those who live and work at sea. Many people have never stopped to consider how important seafarers are to our standard of living. Without them we would not have most of the items we use in our everyday lives. Many of these seafarers do not have the quality of life on board that every human has the right to.

Apostleship of the Sea (AoS) is the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. The Apostleship of the Sea reaches out to seafarers that visit our ports each year, offering pastoral and practical support and care. AoS is wholly dependent on voluntary donations to continue its work; it takes the love of Christ to seafarers in the name of the Church, recognising them as our brothers and sisters in need.

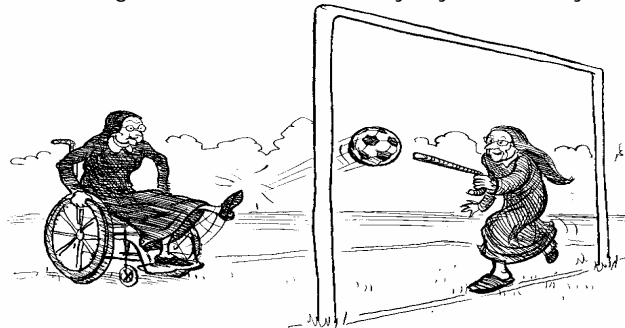
Sea Sunday is the principal fundraising and awareness-raising event of the year for AoS. Today's second collection will be taken at Masses throughout the country, this annual event is absolutely vital for AoS to continue their work. Please give generously, and remember seafarers in your prayers. Thank you.

## GAP YEAR OPPORUNITY AT SPEC

SPEC is part of the Diocese of Westminster's Agency for Evangelisation and provides a ministry to children and young people. We are currently recruiting for our volunteer team for 2010-11 and still have 3 male and 3 female placements available on our 2009-10 teams at SPEC (SPEC Centre and The Loft) and at SPECeast in Wapping. Our website has an informative section on volunteering – go to [www.wpec.org.uk/volunteer](http://www.wpec.org.uk/volunteer) to find out more about us, our mission, life as a volunteer and how to apply. Alternatively, call 01727 829 212 to speak to Sandra Satchell (SPEC director) or 01727 829 218 to speak to Jon Rogers (The Loft director) or 0207 680 7609 to speak to Sabina Koscielcecki (SPECeast director).

## FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

There will be a Meeting of the Fundraising Committee in the Presbytery on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 8.00pm



**Growing old is compulsory; growing up is optional!**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace,  
peace for his people.

His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land.

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven.

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Your words are spirit, Lord,  
and they are life:  
you have the message of eternal life.  
Alleluia!

**TODAY'S READINGS: NEXT WEEKS' READINGS:**

Amos 7:12-15	Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalms 84:9-14	Psalms 22
Ephesians 1:3-14	Ephesians 2:13-18
Mark 6:7-13	Mark 6:30-34

**Mass Times**

SUNDAY	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	8.30am 10.45am 12.15pm & 6.30pm
Monday	Henry	10.00am
Tuesday	Camillus of Lellis	10.00am
Wednesday	Bonaventure	10.00am
Thursday	Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am
Friday		10.00am
Saturday	Blessed Virgin Mary	6.30pm
SUNDAY	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	8.30am 10.45am 12.15pm & 6.30pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation –**

Saturday 10.30 – 11.00am & 5.45 – 6.15pm

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

There is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church each Friday morning from 9.15 to 9.45.

**Offertory Last Week: £1,591.45**

**plus the June Standing Orders - £1,761. Thank You!**

**100+ CLUB WINNERS FOR JUNE**

£35-No 54-Tony Sharples,  
£25-No 22-Carol Kilgallon,  
£15-No 77-Una Griffin

**SVP**

The SVP Group meets on Monday evenings at 8.00pm in the Sacristy.

**LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary meets in the Sacristy at 10.45 on Tuesday mornings.

**BANKING ROTA**

The new 'Banking Rota' is now available for collection from the office.

**PERFORMING ARTS SUMMER SCHOOL**

St Mary's Catholic School in Bishops Stortford are holding a Performing Arts Summer School. If you wish for your child to develop skills in drama, music and dance and take part in a high quality production, please telephone Paul Lynch on 01279 654 901 or email: [p.lynch@stmarys.net](mailto:p.lynch@stmarys.net).

There will be two weeks available, week one commencing Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July for ages 9 to 11 and week 2 commencing Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July for age 11 upwards. Each week ends with a performance on stage to family and friends. The cost of one week at the School is £85. This is a popular event and places are limited so please make your enquiries sooner rather than later.

**BAPTISMS THIS WEEK**

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 12.15pm – Mia Drewett

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm -

El-Shardae Okeyere-Darko, Saskia Stumpo, Emma Pyne & Akpovona Okenabirhie

**FUNERALS THIS WEEK**

The Funeral Mass for the late Vincenzo Rubino will be celebrated on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm.

The Funeral Mass for the late Eileen Bussey will be celebrated on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 12 Noon.

**FAITH SHARING GROUP**

The Faith Sharing Group will be meeting on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm in the Presbytery.

**FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION FOR 2010**

Children who are in Year Two or above in School and have not yet celebrated their First Communion need to give the matter some thought with their parents. If you attend Mass at St. Joseph's Church regularly, please see Fr John to talk about registering for the next preparation.

There will be a meeting on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 11am in Eleanor Hall for all of those parents who have completed their form with Father John.

**BECOMING A CATHOLIC**

If you are not already a Catholic, have been away from the Church for some time or want to discover more about the Catholic Church, then there are a series of meetings beginning on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September. For further details please speak to Fr. John or Sr. Cecily.

**STANDING ORDER DONATION CARDS**

If you run out of standing order cards for use during Offertory Collection, please ask for more at the office after Mass.

**ST PETER'S ITALIAN CHURCH,**

Today is the festival of the annual procession of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, The Procession begins at 3.30pm following Mass at St Peter's. Between 1.30 and 5pm there will be a festival with stalls of food, drinks.