

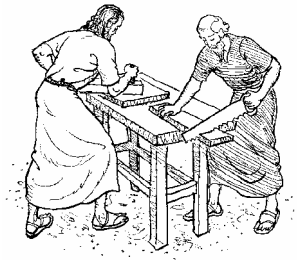
Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception and St Joseph

The Fourteenth Sunday of the Year
5th July 2009



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When were you last surprised to learn something from an unexpected source? From someone you thought unlikely to be able to help? Like the people in Jesus' home town we often close our eyes and ears to what our neighbours are saying; yet we might just learn something if we open ourselves to the possibility that people we're familiar with might have something to offer us.



PARISH SUMMER BBQ AND LINE DANCING WITH CINDY AND FRIENDS

Saturday 11th July following 6.30pm Mass, Eleanor Hall

An Evening of fun for everyone with a bar and BBQ food available for purchase. Come and try Line Dancing and you might perhaps like to join the regular classes which we hope to start soon. (Let Stewart know if you are interested in Line Dancing Classes – 01992 634445).



SPONSORED WALK – Sunday 13th 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.

ST PETER'S ITALIAN CHURCH, 136 CLERKENWELL ROAD, LONDON EC1R 5DL

Sunday 12th July is the festival of the annual procession of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, which has been celebrated at St Peter's for over 100 years. 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, novelties, interesting items and plenty of music, all of which takes place in Warner Street and the surrounding area.

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 See also www.passage.org.uk it will not be possible to purchase tickets at the Abbey. All proceeds in aid of The Passage.

SEA SUNDAY

Seafarers are commonly recruited from poorer countries where wages are lower. Seafarers work in difficult and often dangerous conditions suffering from loneliness, spiritual deprivation and even exploitation as they transport the goods we use and consume every day.

The 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 the 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 your chance to help AoS make a real difference to the lives of seafarers. Everything AoS does is on behalf of Britain's Catholic community, but it receives no statutory funding from either the Church or government. The parish will take up a second collection on Sea Sunday for the work of AoS – so please give generously next Sunday, their ministry cannot continue without you.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

There will be a Meeting of the Fundraising Committee in the Presbytery on Monday evening at 8.00pm

FINANCE COMMITTEE

There will be a Meeting of the Parish Finance Committee in the Presbytery on Tuesday evening at 8.00pm.

This Parish is part of the Westminster Roman Catholic Diocese Trustee Charity No. 233699

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

To you have I lifted up my eyes,
 You who dwell in the heavens:
 My eyes, like the eyes of slaves
 On the hand of their Lords.

Like the eyes of a servant
 on the hand of her mistress,
 so our eyes are on the Lord our God
 till he show us mercy.

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
 We are filled with contempt.
 Indeed all too full is our soul
 with the scorn of the rich,
 with the proud man's disdain.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
 The Lord has sent me to bring the good news to the
 poor,
 Alleluia!

TODAY'S READINGS:

Ezekiel 2:2-5
 Psalm 122
 2 Corinthians 2:12:7-10
 Mark 6:1-6

NEXT WEEKS' READINGS:

Amos 7:12-15
 Psalm 84
 Ephesians 1:3-14
 Mark 6:7-13

Mass Times

SUNDAY	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	8.30am 10.45am 12.15pm & 6.30pm
Monday		10.00am
Tuesday		10.00am
Wednesday		10.00am
Thursday		10.00am
Friday		10.00am
Saturday	St Benedict	6.30pm
SUNDAY	FIFTEENTH 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: £1,436.58

plus the regular Standing Orders. 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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

The Second Session of the Baptism Preparation Course will take place today Sunday 5th July at 2.30pm at the Convent in Longlands Close.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEK

Sunday 5th July at 1.30pm – Mark Tyner
 Sunday 12th July at 12.15pm – Mia Drewett

FUNERAL THIS WEEK

The Funeral Mass for the late James Monaghan will be celebrated on Friday 10th July at 12pm.

ST JOSEPH'S RC SCHOOL, SUMMER CRAFT FAIR

Saturday 11th July from 12 noon to 3pm come along and see what's there for your selves. Raffle tickets are available at the back of the Church. Plenty of fun for everyone to enjoy an afternoon out. Thank you to the Parish for continued support to the school.

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.

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 14th September. For further details please speak to Fr. John or Sr. Cecily.

THE NIGERIAN CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION

The Nigerian Catholic Association of Our Lady and St Joseph's Parish meets every 1st Sunday of the month immediately after the 10.45 Mass, in St Joseph's Hall. Next meeting is today, Sunday 5th July 2009.

BRIGHTLIGHTS FESTIVAL

for young adults (16-30) at St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, Hendon, from 10th-12th July 2009. Inspirational speakers, live bands, Mass, Reconciliation, workshops all in a great, relaxed, outdoor, festival atmosphere. Campers welcome (under 18's with a group leader). Visit www.brightlights.org.uk for more information.

ITALIAN EXPERIENCE

Thank you to all those that helped at this evening. It was a fantastic night, enjoyed by all. We raised £668 through ticket sales and a raffle. HSBC Bank will also be donating £500 to the Parish making a grand total of £1,168. Once again thank you to all those who supported the event and made it so successful.

PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD

The Nigerian Catholic Chaplaincy's Annual Pilgrimage to Aylesford Priory is on Saturday 11th July 2009. Please contact Eucharistia on 07984 153877 if you are interested. Tickets: £10 per adult, £5 per child

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.