



### **NOVEMBER LIST (PIOUS LIST)**

All of our parishes have had the tradition of celebrating the memory of our dear departed ones during November, each in our own way. Let's all try a new way this year. You are invited to bring a favourite photograph and to arrange them around a side altar. Please remember to label them on the back with name and telephone numbers so that they can be returned in December.

### **SCHOOL OF DISCO**

On Friday afternoon at Sacred Heart school our resident D.J. (Father John) will be entertaining classes 1-6 (not all at once).

### **CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS**

The Animate team will be meeting with pastoral area confirmation catechists in the Chapel of Joy and Hope at Sacred Heart church on Thursday this week from 7.30pm until 9.00pm.

### **PASTORAL AREA BEREAVEMENT MASS**

Traditionally, Sacred Heart parish celebrates a Bereavement Mass in November. This year the Mass is not just for the parish but open to our Pastoral Area. The 7.30pm Mass on Thu Nov 16 will present a special opportunity to remember not only our own loved ones, but also all those who have died and whose memory we recall during the month of November. The Mass will include the lighting of memorial candles and time for silent prayer. Refreshments will be available afterwards. There will be a **planning meeting** for anyone from our four communities at 7pm on **this Monday** 6 Nov at Sacred Heart, in the Chapel of Joy and Hope. If you are interested in helping please contact the coordinator, Christine Welch, Tel 515219.

### **LEAVING SAFE HARBOURS**

Thank you to the Deanery Forum representatives for organizing and the people who attended the three parish meetings and expressed their views.

### **ECUMENICAL STUDY COURSE**

There will be sign-up lists at the back of all our churches for all those interested in attending this course for Lent next year.

## **IN THE PASTORAL AREA OF ST EDMUND ARROWSMITH NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF Sacred Heart, Our Lady of the Rosary and Twelve Apostles**

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**31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)**  
**5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2006**  
**LAMP SUNDAY**

One of the fears people have about the transitions being discussed with Leaving Safe Harbours is that larger parishes will no longer meet their needs; that they will lose that personal touch that smaller communities can offer. Fair point! On the other hand, maybe LSH is also God's way to challenge our individualism. Individualism is a way of life that puts thinking of myself before thinking of others. Individualism in the church breeds consumerism—you know, the "feed me" approach to church. "Consumer Catholics" come and say "gimme, gimme, gimme" while never asking what it is that they are supposed to give themselves. Realistically, we can't cater for this demanding mentality. Such people drain our resources, lend little help, and leave at the first sign of discomfort.

Everything about Jesus our Saviour suggests that true love and light is found in becoming a servant to all. Healthy, others-oriented, mission-minded communities of grace and hope will provide an alternative to a world that has for too long been crying out loud "Me! Me! Me! What about my needs? What about me?"

So what can we do? Well, support our Deanery Forum and clergy. Make time to attend parish meetings; get involved in a group, or talk to me about starting a group, and ask God to show you how you can love and serve others in that small group community. Wouldn't it be great to see a multitude of TLC Groups in Leigh where people walk in and say, "See how they love one another?" Wouldn't it be great to be that place where a group of people really have the best interests of others at heart? Let's show the Safe Harbour sceptics that Leigh Catholics are growing into a true community. Genuine community. With Christ and his love and his word at the very centre. May God bless you and yours.

Fr John

### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 4 November to Sun 12 November

*Weekday Masses are subject to change in the event of Funeral Masses.*

#### At Sacred Heart Church, Walmesley Road

Sat	4 Nov	6.30pm	Kas Jabkiewicz
Sun	5 Nov	9.30am	William Landers
Tue	7 Nov	12.00noon	Fr Michael Gill
Wed	8 Nov	10.30am	Funeral Mass Mary Mullery
Thu	9 Nov	<b>9.00am</b>	Sister Anunciata (sick)
Sat	11 Nov	12.00noon	John Flynn
Sat	11 Nov	6.30pm	People of the Parishes
Sun	12 Nov	9.30am	Kerry O'Rourke

#### At Twelve Apostles Church, Nel Pan Lane

Sat	4 Nov	6.30pm	Kathleen McArt
Sat	11 Nov	6.30pm	John Bachegallup

#### At Our Lady Of The Rosary Church, Plank Lane

Sun	5 Nov	11.00am	People of the Parishes
Thu	9 Nov	<b>9.30am</b>	Gail Hampson
Fri	10 Nov	10.00am	Martha Peet
Sun	12 Nov	11.00am	Doris Herlihy

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (S.H.):** Sat: 11.00-11.45am & 6.00-6.15pm

also at St Joseph's (usually)

Sat: 11.00-11.50am

**Exposition:** (at Sacred Heart)

Sat: 11.00-11.45 am

### Collections:

Last week's collections:- £460.05(SH), £179.30 (OL), £182.71 (12A).

Church repair fund £101.00 (12A), CAFOD £4.80 (12A).

This week's retiring collection will be for L.A.M.P.

Next week Church repair fund (12A), SVP (SH)

**Sacred Heart Lottery:** (to be drawn after printing of the newsletter)

Winning Numbers: #### = Look on noticeboard. Jackpot: £####.

Winners: #### Next Week's Estimated Jackpot: £####.

**Our Lady's Bonus Ball** No. 30. J. Riley.

**Our Lady's 1000 Club Draw** £10 - 028, OLTR. £5 - 963, Mrs B. Ryan. £3 - 237, Mr R. Eliss. £2 - 276, Mrs A. Freeman.

Donations of groceries are still needed for Christmas Hamper raffle

**Twelve Apostles Jackpot Bingo** every Wednesday & Sunday. Play your cards £95. All welcome in club lounge. **Cabaret Night** Sun 5 Nov featuring 'Karen Mac'. **Parkside Colliery Male Voice Choir** 11 Nov 7.30pm in church. Tickets £4 or pay at the door. All donations of tea, coffee or biscuits, gratefully accepted. Contact John Thompson (Tel. 253507). The Pool team are organising a **24 hour Pool Marathon** in aid of Children in Need on Fri 17 Nov. There are sponsorship forms at the back of the church or just call in the club.

### PSALM RESPONSE

I love you, Lord, my strength.



*Listen, Israel: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart. Deut 6:4*

### Christmas Fairs

**Nov 25 (SH), 26 1pm(12 A)**  
Please keep your donated items coming in!

**BINGO** in the Parish Centre at Sacred Heart on Wednesdays at 7.00pm to raise funds. **Admission 50p** also **HAMPER TICKETS** on sale after Masses **£1** a strip.

**DRAW TICKETS** at back of 12 Apostles church **£1**, also lists for donations. See Therese Thompson

### NOVEMBER LIST

Please submit names of deceased family and friends for inclusion in our Book of Remembrance. Mark offering envelopes "November List".

### BACK TO SCHOOL

XII Apostles children are back at school on Monday and on Tuesday afternoon they will be visiting Fr John in the church. At 1.00pm Class 4 will learn about Confirmation. At 1.40pm, Class 1 will role play about Baptism and at 2.30pm it will be Class 2's turn.

### BAPTISM MEETING

Parents wishing to arrange baptism for their children at any of our parishes' churches must attend the monthly meeting at Sacred Heart church at 7.30pm on **Tuesday this week** 7 November.

### CAROL SINGERS WANTED

Please gather on the Town Hall steps at 7.00pm on Fri 24 Nov for the switch-on of Town Centre Christmas Lights.

**On Wednesdays 7.30-9.00pm** at Sacred Heart church, the **RCIA** group meets. "**Natural Law and the Ten Commandments**" is the title of our **Evangelium** presentation this week. All will be made welcome.