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Newsletter

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Second Sunday of Lent (C)

Weekday Readings for
2nd week of Lent

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Next Sunday's Readings

Third Sunday of Lent

- Exodus 3:1-8. 13-15
- Psalm 102:1-4.6-8.11.R.v8
- Corinthians 10:1-6. 10-12
- Luke 13:1-9

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Transfiguration of the Lord

As you stand on the top of Mount Tabor you get a magnificent view over the Jezreel Valley towards the site of the ancient city of Megiddo, more familiar to us by its Greek name, Armageddon. Traditionally Armageddon is the site of the final great battle between good and evil. Tabor has, over the years, become associated with the site of the Transfiguration of Jesus that we read about in the gospel at our Mass today. It is not insignificant that Jesus chose a mountain site to reveal the Transfiguration where he would show the glory that is his as the second person of the blessed Trinity. Throughout the story of the Old Testament God has been encountered on mountains, from Abraham when called to sacrifice his son as proof



of his fidelity to God, through to Moses' encounters with God on Mount Saini when he was gifted with the 10 commandments. It would be on the place of the skull on the mount outside of Jerusalem that he would offer to his Father for the salvation of all men

and women. Just as the Transfiguration was to confirm the chosen apostles in their faith in Jesus and to give a context to the suffering and death of Jesus which they were to witness and would deeply challenge their faith in him, so too for us. The Transfiguration confirms us in the person of Jesus and his saving acts for us. This Lent we continue our chosen actions to deepen our faith in Jesus and strengthen our love of our Merciful God.

PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing,
so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord,
and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm,
may bring good news to the poor,
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,
and restore sight to the blind. Amen

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark

Parish Clergy: Fr Thaddeus Nwokeji and Deacon Julian Burling

Team Members: Fr Michael O'Halloran SJ, Sr Francis SSA, Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU, Cristina Connolly

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

This weekend, 20th/21st February CAFOD Lent Fast Day envelopes will be collected. Thank you for supporting this good cause!

SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend 27th/28th February the second collection will be for St Raphael's Hospice. Gift aid envelopes will be available at the back of the church.

PROGRAMME

ADVERTISING

If you have a business and would like to advertise in our forthcoming Verdi Requiem concert programme contact Sheena on 07879653580 or email verdi@sacredheartmusic.co.uk. Everyone attending the concert will receive a free programme.

VACANCIES AT JESUIT MISSIONS

Jesuit Missions is the mission and development organisation of the Jesuits in Britain. JM is advertising two jobs based in their office in Edge Hill: an Office Administrator and a Supporter Services Assistant. For further information, please visit the JM website <http://jesuitmissions.org.uk/>

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Safeguarding of Vulnerable Adults - training open to everyone but of particular relevance to those involved in working with vulnerable adults. The training is being offered free by the Diocesan Safeguarding Office at St Teresa Church, Morden SM4 6BZ on Sat 12th Mar, 10.30am-4pm. For details: office@sgo-rcd.southwark.org or 020 7261 1606.

Parish News

AT HOME

The next 'At Home' will be on Monday 22nd February from 6:00-8:00pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent the celebration of the Stations of the Cross will start at 7.15pm every Friday after the 6.30pm Mass.

SCHOOL SLIPS

There are no school slips this weekend. School slips will be collected again on the weekend of 27th/28th February.

EASTER CARDS

A selection of Easter cards are now available at the Reception in the Presby-

tery and more can be ordered if requested.

SERVICE

A mass will be celebrated on Saturday, 27th February at 4pm organised by the French Chaplaincy.

Announcements

THE LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

The seminar is a series of talks and discussions which take place on Wednesdays during Lent. The fourth seminar is on Wed 24th Feb, 7.30-9pm in the Upper Hall (further dates 2nd, 9th & 16th March).

PPC - NOMINATIONS

We are grateful to the 5 nominees who have put their names forward: Cat Porter, Chris Townsend, Frederick Sylver-Francis, David Toms-Sheridan and Maggie Rarieya. As part of a process of reviewing its role, membership and working, the PPC has decided not to proceed

with elections at this stage for the three current vacancies. Instead all nominees have been invited to attend the next two PPC meetings as observers, albeit with an invitation to participate actively, in order to contribute to this discussion and other PPC business and also help them to decide whether membership meets their expectations and is practicable for them along-side their other commitments.

SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

On Sunday 28th February a signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated at 4pm in the

Chapel of Wimbledon College. All with hearing difficulties are welcome!

OPEN 24 HOURS

This lent in response to the invitation of Pope Francis to celebrate and experience God's Mercy you are invited to St George's Cathedral to attentively listen to the Word of God at the '24hrs For the Lord' taking place on 4th (at 12.30pm) - 5th March (ends with Mass at 12.30pm) you can join for as much or as little as you'd like! For more information visit www.stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/hollyear.html

Parish Organisations

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

On Saturday 27th February from 10.30-11.30am in the Parish Lounge. Grief is a particularly isolating experience that can affect all aspects of life, physically, emotionally and socially. The Bereavement Team invite everyone experiencing loss in their lives, no matter how long ago, to drop-in for a

coffee and a chat. We offer you a warm welcome. For more information please call 020 8946 5198 or visit our website.

WIMBLEDON CANCER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Anyone affected by any cancer is welcome to drop in for tea and a chat in the lounge of the Wimbledon Guild, 30 Worple Rd, SW19 4EF on Thursday 25th

February at 3.15-4.30pm. Please ring 07948 767936 or email wcfg@live.co.uk for more information.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP SHOW & TELL

Friday, 4th March at 2:30pm at the Parish Lounge. This is an opportunity to share your cherished family mementos. Bring along photos, books & objects d'arts, etc. Sherry, nibbles & tea cakes served. All welcome.

Social, Cultural

LENTEN ORGAN RECITALS

The next Lenten Organ Recital given by David Gammie will be on 10th March at 7.30pm: 'Le Chemin de la Croix' (The Stations of the Cross) by Marcel Dupré. Admission free.

SACRED HEART CHORUS

Verdi Requiem rehearsals (for the actual concert on Sat 21st May) start this Monday 22nd Feb, 7.30 - 9.30pm. For details contact Sheena Macdonald on 07879

653580, or verdi@sacredheartmusic.co.uk or visit sacredheartmusic.co.uk.

GREAT GATSBY BALL

The Ursuline Preparatory School Parents Association are hosting a Great Gatsby Ball on Sat 27th Feb in the Upper Hall, 7-11pm. For details & tickets please call the Ursuline Preparatory School 0208 947 0859.

MUSIC AT ST JOHN'S

Friday, 26th February with Julia Dewhurst (soprano) and David Elwin (piano) at 1pm.

MENDELSSOHN'S ELIJAH

Following the spectacular performance of Verdi's Requiem in 2014 the Lewisham Choral Society will return to Fairfield Halls (Croydon CR9 1DG) on Saturday 19th March, 7.30pm with The Derbyshire Singers and The Forest Philharmonic Orchestra to perform Mendelssohn's Elijah. For full details and to reserve tickets (from £15-30) visit lewishamchoralsociety.org.uk

New to the Parish?

Please introduce yourself to a member of the Parish Team after Mass and complete a parish registration form available at the back of the church.

NANNY/HOUSEKEEPER AVAILABLE

Please contact Alyn Loyola at 07778728248 or 07550442464.

ETHICS FOR CHRISTIANS- MAKING MORAL CHOICES

Workshop on Saturday, 27th February from 11am to 4pm at Mount Street Jesuit Centre.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS)

CCRS would like to encourage uptake and study of the Catholic Certificate of Religious Studies. Details about the course including start date, fees and to enrol on the course please contact CCRS@catholiceducation.org.uk

ENGAGING WITH DEMENTIA

For those interested, there is a Dementia Forum on Wednesday, 16th March from 2pm to 4.15pm at Queens Court Care Home, 32/34 Queens Road, Wimbledon SW19 8LR. For more information contact 020 8971 5019. Rikki Lorenti, Admiral Nurse will be presenting the programme. Attendance and refreshments are completely free of charge. Please RSVP by Friday, 5th March.

Exploring our Faith

SACRED HEART PARISH PILGRIMAGE

As part of the parish programme for the Year of Mercy, a pilgrimage led by Canon John to the Holy Land is planned. Tue 1st - Tue 8th November 2016. 4 nights Jerusalem, 1 night Bethlehem, 2 nights Galilee. BA flights from London Heathrow. £1,144 per person based on 2 people sharing & group size of 30. Price includes services of English speaking guide, half board, entrance fees & tips. Limited single room availability, £300 supplement. For further information and booking form please email pilgrimage@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk or call Gill Didino at Tangney Tours on 01732 88 66 66.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

On Friday 4th March, the Women's World day of Prayer, ecumenical services will be celebrated at Merton

Park Baptist Church, Bushey Road (10.30am), Holy Trinity Wimbledon Broadway (8am). All Welcome. For further info contact alisonwilliams36@btinternet.com or 02089440574

LENT REFLECTION

Over the weeks of Lent the Archdiocese of Southwark's Stewardship Team, in collaboration with the diocesan Spirituality Commission, will send daily reflections featuring thoughts, Scripture and prayer. If you would like to receive these please enter your details a form on the following link: <http://eepurl.com/bF0b6P>

PARENTING WITH FAITH

You are invited to a series of talks for parents and sponsors on *Parenting With Faith* starting on Wednesday 2nd March, 7-9pm, Upper Hall, with Jenny Baker speaking about '*Parenting Through The Sacraments*'.

LOVE HEALS BODY, MIND AND SPIRIT TEAM

Welcomes you to come to a one day Retreat of quiet Reflection on Saturday, 27th February from 11am to 5pm at the Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, Warwick Street, Piccadilly W1F 9JR.

HOUSE OF PRAYER

Teresa and her Message Today. Led by prof. Peter Tyler on Saturday, 27th February from 10am to 4pm at the House of Prayer, 35 Seymour Road, East Molesey, Surrey KT8 0PB. Cost is £20. Please bring a packed lunch. Contact 02 8941 2313 or email: houseofprayer@hotmail.co.uk to reserve a place.

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

The Gospel of Luke in Scripture and Art on Thursdays, 25th February to 10th March from 7 - 8.30pm by Geoffrey Wheaton SJ.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Canon J Clark 11.15am Fr T Nwokeji
8.15am Fr M O'Halloran 12.45pm Fr M O'Halloran
8.30am Fr T Nwokeji 5.00pm Fr T Nwokeji
9.45am Canon J Clark 8.00pm Canon J Clark

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 20 6.30pm Rose-Marie Gorham RIP
Sun 21 5.00pm Agnes Almeida RIP
Mon 22 7.30am David & Lorenza Boyce RIP
10.00am Mr & Mrs Thiru Ints.
6.30pm Peter Cheuk RIP
Tue 23 7.30am Rita Quinn RIP
10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP
6.30pm Jose Ramon Cagigas Miranda RIP
Wed 24 7.30am Mr King RIP
10.00am Mary Byrne
6.30pm Richard & Shirley Michalak Golden Wedding
Thu 25 7.30am Francis Ching Ints.
10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP
6.30pm Our Lady Queen of Peace
Fri 26 7.30am Concepcion Real Duran RIP
10.00am Peter Connellan RIP
6.30pm Tessa Waters RIP
Sat 27 7.30am Mary Muttershead Anniv.
10.00am Alice Kehoe RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Nora Wood, Angela Roots
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Marshall, June Stroud, Caitlyn Blount, Agnes Almeida, Eilish Healy, Betty Heard, William Maher, Bernard Kelly
The sick: Breda Whelan, Lorraine Grozdanovic, Alexander Skachkov, Roberto Luigi Farina, Alina Hancock, Sophia Ridley, Avril Brown, Jane Leahy, Cindy Bayat, Bernadette McMurray, Anne Medcraft, Pat Pike, Carol Escalona, David Fyfe, Mary Wallace, Dan O'Brien, Joy Thimont, Con Harrington, Rita Westbrook, Angela de Leon, Teresa Scanlon, Olinda D'Souza, Sheila Chateau, Alan Paul, Michael Hoskins, Electa Almeida, Sr Tien Nguyen, Caleb Edser, Eduard Kirchner, Julian Eddy, Troy Najair, Margaret Lumley and Andrew Tan *[Please advise the Reception when names can be removed.]*



COLLECTIONS

Collections at Mass last Sunday came to £1,807.74 in loose plate giving and £678 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,485.74. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.
The special collection for 'Poor Parishes' raised £846.07.
Thank you for your generous support!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 22nd February The Chair of St Peter the Apostle; this feast has been kept at Rome since the fourth century, as a symbol of the unity of the Church
Thursday 25th February St Ethelbert, King, memorial

EXPOSITION

Sundays: 3.30 - 4.30pm
(Prayers for the Pope and the Catholic Church in Britain)
Wednesdays: after the 7.30am and 10.00am Masses and 5.25 - 6.25pm
Fridays: 5.25 - 6.25pm
On First Fridays there is exposition from after the 6.30pm Mass to Midnight.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays:
10.30 - 11.30am
3.00 - 4.00pm
6.00 - 6.20pm
Monday - Friday:
6.00 - 6.20pm

MUSIC AT THE 11.15am MASS

Missa brevis in simplicitate, Lotti
Veritas mea, Malcolm
O nata lux de lumine, Tallis

PARISH SERVICES

Parish Office/Reception Hours: 9am - 5pm (Mon-Fri) 9.30am - 1pm (Sat) 9am - 1pm (Sun)
Executive Assistant & Hall bookings: Thelma D'Costa (Mon - Fri 9.30am - 5pm) Site Manager: Arthur White (Mon - Fri 12noon - 6pm; Sat 9am-1pm)
Parish Pastoral Council: sacredheartwimbledonppc@gmail.com
Baptism, Marriage, First Sacraments, Funerals contact the parish 020 8946 0305
Bereavement Support: For more information please contact the co-ordinator by email bereavementsacredheart@gmail.com or call 020 8946 5198, Referral forms available in the Presbytery Reception