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Newsletter

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**Weekday Readings for
28th week in Ordinary Time
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Next Sunday's Readings

- Exodus 17:8-13
- Psalm 120. R.cf.v2
- 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2
- Luke 18:1-8

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Sharing Faith

One of the things that always impresses me when I travel to Bali is the sense of spirituality that pervades the island and its people. Unusually it is a Hindu island in the largest Islamic country in the world. It is the only place I have been asked my religion before any other information. In the house I stayed in, Gusti looks after things, from the laundry to the meals and general housekeeping. Get up early enough and you will see Gusti, dressed in ceremonial clothes, walking around the garden to various points or household shrines at which he places small baskets of food and flowers and replenishes the



candles that have burnt during the night. At sunset he repeats his devotions. This act of devotion is repeated in most households on the island. Offerings to the Divine can be seen outside most of the shops and they litter the pavements. The year is littered with feasts marking different aspects of life and relationships and all are accompanied by processions, colourful dress, and always food. One of the first ceremonies making the place of

the child in the family entails having their head shaved while all the neighbours and friends gather for a meal. I was invited to attend this important ceremony at Gusti's own home and was surprised to see a temple within the family compound. I was reminded of the reality of faith sharing here, reflected to a certain extent in the readings today. We tend to keep our religious practice private. How open are we to sharing our faith with others? Do we genuinely celebrate being Christians? If a neighbour visited our home would they know it was the home of a Catholic? Would we go back to thank Jesus?

PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY

Lord Jesus, 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

Also Resident: Canon Elias Vojtech

Team Members: Fr Michael O'Halloran SJ, Sr Francis SSA, Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU, Cristina Connolly and Pat Ryan (Youth Minister)

SECOND COLLECTION

Today is Prisoners' Sunday. It is a day to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners, their families and their children. Prisoners' Sunday provides an important opportunity to make a difference and be there for those who most need our support. There is a Caritas affiliated charity which is solely dedicated to tackling the issues that arise from having a loved one in prison: *Pact*, the Prison Advice & Care Trust. Today's second collection will be in support of *Pact*. Gift aid envelopes are available at the back of the church.

STAMPS FOR JESUIT MISSIONS

Please keep your used stamps. We are able to sell them to raise funds for the work of Jesuit Missions across Africa, Asia and Latin America. You can post them to Jesuit Missions, 11 Edge Hill, Wimbledon, SW19 4LR or pop them through our letterbox after Mass. We are always looking for volunteers to join our stamp team which meets for a few hours on the first Thursday of every month to prepare the stamps for sale. To find out more, please contact Paddy on 020 8946 0466 or email info@jesuitmissions.org.uk

URSULINE PREP SCHOOL

The Ursuline Preparatory School are seeking to appoint experienced and enthusiastic KS1 and KS2 Teachers for January 2017. If you are interested in applying for this role please go to the school website www.ursuline-prep.merton.sch.uk/jobvacancies or call 020 8947 0859 to request an application form, or email recruitment@wups.co.uk

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 10th October from 7.30-9.30pm.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

HOLY ROSARY

In the month of October, praying the Rosary in churches and families, as groups or individually is especially recommended as well as devotion to Saint

Joseph. We are praying the Rosary everyday at 6pm in the Chapel of Our Lady. Everybody is invited and welcome!

Announcements

URGENT REQUEST FOR A CARPENTER

If you have carpentry skills and would be able to give some time to the Parish, the Parish would like your help to build scenery for the Christmas crib. Our beautiful new crib figures would benefit from suitable, re-usable scenery to go with the crib. Please contact the Parish Office or Fr John if you are able to help.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Do come and have a chat with other parishioners over a delicious continental breakfast next Sunday 16th October in the Lower Hall after the 8.15am Mass up to 12 noon.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

You are invited to join the Charismatic Prayer Group on Monday 10th October from 7.30-9.30pm in the Parish Youth Room for Praise and Worship, with live music. Contact Maria on 07889 854 803 or email cpgshw@gmail.com for more information.

CHRISTMAS CARDS SALE

We will be holding a sale of charity Christmas cards outside the church after all Masses on the weekend of 29/30th October. Please save the date and support a good cause when shopping for your Christmas cards this year.

DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE

to the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock, Ireland, from Monday 7th to Friday 11th November organised by the Divine Mercy Apostolate - Marian Fathers, cost £400 pp. The package includes return flight by Aer Lingus from Gatwick, 4 nights accommodation; for more info please contact Divine Mercy Apostolate on 020 8998 0925, info@divinemercury.org.uk or see divinemercuryapostolate.co.uk

QUEEN OF PEACE WIMBLEDON

The Queen of Peace Wimbledon Medjugorje Prayer Group has resumed prayer meetings. For 'new' enquiries please call 020 8947 0310.

Parish Organisations

MEMORY LANE CLUB

Every Wednesday morning from 10.30am onwards to 12.30pm in the Parish Lounge. Open to everyone who suffers from memory loss/dementia and their carers. Refreshments, chat, bingo, snooker, music as well as various games and activities available - all in an informal, friendly and fun atmosphere. Email: edgehillmemorylaneclub@gmail.com

MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

The prayer group meets every Tuesday at 10.30am for approx. 1 hour. A simple set of formal prayers is used. This is a great opportunity to pray in a committed way for children. Contact Polly Harrison for more info (07815 855 469).

TRADCRAFT

Traidcraft goods will be on sale this Sunday. Please continue to support producers in developing countries by buying from us. Helpers to sell in November and December are still needed, so please offer to Maggie at maggie.kane@timeandleisure.co.uk. Goods can also be ordered from 020 8946 6528 or celiacviic@btinternet.com

Social, Cultural & Notices

ORGAN RECITAL

On Friday 14th October at 7.45pm in the church - Recital by brilliant young local organist Matthew Blaiden, including music by Bach, Liszt, Franck and Alain; video screen, admission free, there will be a retiring collection.

DONHEAD

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Headteacher required for 2017: the Governors seek to appoint a practising Roman Catholic, fully committed to the Jesuit ethos of the school in succession to the current Head who is retiring after 20 years' distinguished service. Applicants will have significant and relevant experience at senior management level in education.

Catering Manager (FT) required from 31st October 2016.

For further information please visit www.donhead.org.uk or contact Mrs June Smith on 020 8946 7000 or headmasterpa@donhead.org.uk. Closing date for applications is Monday 10th October 2016.

AUDITIONS FOR PARISH PANTO

Informal auditions for the *Edge Hill Players* Parish Panto will take place in the Upper Hall on Tuesdays 11th & 18th October between 8-10pm. Come along and share your talents. We need performers, singers, dancers and musicians. All welcome. For more

information please call Wendy Tansey on 020 8542 9516 or Terry Marsh on 07798 801225.

WHAT TO DO IN YOUR GAP YEAR?

Care 4 for Calais are looking for dedicated volunteers of any age to deliver aid to the camp, to support their social program of English, art, sport workshops, to help them in their warehouse sorting through all the wonderful things people have donated. They also need people in the UK to manage their fantastic back office operation and support with logistics and all else that goes on. For details, please see <http://care4calais.org/volunteer>

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.

BRAZILIAN VISITORS TO EDGE HILL

Jesuit Missions is part of the *London Mining Network* (which is an alliance of human rights, development, environmental and solidarity groups) and has - as part of the Global Ignatian Advocacy Network group, *Justice in Mining* - been focusing on mining in recent years. On Tuesday 18th October at 11am, visitors from Brazil (Fr Rodrigo Peret OFM, a priest involved in the Churches and Mining Network, Maria do Carmo Silva D'Angelo and Letícia Oliveira Gomes de Faria) will visit JM, 11 Edge Hill, and speak about the impact of the catastrophic dam collapse last November at the Samarco iron ore mine which killed 19 people and polluted hundreds of miles of rivers. Parishioners are cordially invited to join the gathering to find out more about the situation in Samarco and JM's work on mining bearing in mind that Pope Francis makes particular mention of mining in *Laudato Si*.

ST. JOHN FISHER RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mid-day Supervisor (Mon-Fri 12noon-1pm, term time) needed to start ASAP at St John Fisher Primary. Please contact Diana Herrera (020 8540 2637 or email to bursar@st-john-fisher.merton.sch.uk). Closing date is 10th October.

Exploring our Faith

READING AND DISCUSSING THE GOSPEL

As the Gospels are so crucial to our ongoing journey of faith some parishioners have suggested that they would like the opportunity to get together with others to learn and share more about them. The proposal is to form some small discussion groups at a convenient time and place for about an hour weekly or fortnightly (according to the wishes of the group) to get to know the person of Jesus and how His life can inspire ours. If you are interested and would like more details please contact: Sr Dorothy (020 8946 0305, dorothyperrott@aol.com) or Sadie Smith (020 8946 5198 sadiesmith3@talktalk.net).

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY DOOR

Parish Pilgrimage to The Holy Door of Mercy, at St George's Cathedral on Saturday 22nd October. A coach will leave the church at **9.30am**, return by 3.30pm. Cost will be £7.50/children £5. Please put your name on the list (back of the church). If you wish to make your own travel arrangements, please bear in mind that you should be at the Cathedral by 11am. Those who want to travel by public transport in a group should meet at Wimbledon Station at 10.15am for the 10.20am train to Waterloo. More details from Sadie Smith 020 8946 5198 or email sadiesmith3@talktalk.net.

A DAY WITH MARY

Do come for a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Saturday 15th October from 8.45am-5.30pm at St John Fisher Church, Cannon Hill Lane, SW20; celebrant and preacher Fr David Gummatt, for more details please visit www adaywithmary.org

'LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY'

The Kairos Spirituality Centre is offering led quiet days where you can explore different aspects of prayer and your relationship with God. Next Prayer Day will be on Saturday 29th October 10.30am-3.30pm with Sr Brenda Scholfield SMG. There is no cost for the day, donations gratefully received, booking is essential: 020 878841.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Canon V Elias	11.15am Canon V Elias
8.15am Fr M O'Halloran SJ	12.45pm Fr T Nwokeji
8.30am Canon J Clark	5.00pm Canon J Clark
9.45am Fr N King SJ	8.00pm Fr P Gallagher SJ

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	8	6.30pm	Ferrao Family Ints.
Mon	10	7.30am	John Shields RIP
		10.00am	Funeral Mass for Rosemary Zarri
		3.00pm	Funeral Mass for John Breen
		6.30pm	Denis Geoghegan RIP
Tue	11	7.30am	Lucia & Franco Adami RIP
		10.00am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		6.30pm	Severa Lucas Lekule RIP
Wed	12	7.30am	Regina & Baby Dominic Sterling RIP
		10.00am	Frank Duzicky RIP
		6.30pm	Kathleen McGrory RIP
Thu	13	7.30am	Baby Zane Bangbola RIP
		10.00am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		12.00pm	Funeral Mass for Noel Napaul
		6.30pm	Joanna Kennedy RIP
Fri	14	7.30am	Veramunda Makukula RIP
		10.00am	Peter Salmon RIP
		12.00pm	Funeral Mass for Arthur L Butterfield
		6.30pm	Rienzi Weereratne Memorial Mass
Sat	15	7.30am	Sebastian, Jacob, Gandentia Chale RIP
		10.00am	Black Family Thanksgiving

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Rosemary Zarri, Noel Napaul, John Breen, Baby Arthur Luca Butterfield, Frank Walsh

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Livio Ferrari, Jan Bartelski, Rosemary Mackett, Mark Dyson, Mauro Marcucci, Margaret Mary Paterson, Alice Malone Botrill, Karl-Heinz Kaegler

The sick: Ricardo Romulo, Sr Charmain, Camille Endaya, Chalie Bradley, Yvonna Patton, Tracy Byrne, Angela Balogum, Giena Worth, Peter Gent, Luisa Derx, Ronnie Bradnick, Alexander Skachkov, Baby Bleu Denley Saunders, Patricia Meehan, Joan Paul, Alan Paul, Frank Micetich, Lorraine Grozdanovic, Roberto Luigi Farina, Sophia Ridley, Avril Brown, Cindy Bayat, Bernadette McMurray, Anne Medicraft, Carol Escalona, David Fyfe, Mary Wallace, Con Harrington, Rita Westbrook, Angela de Leon, Alina Hancock, Teresa Scanlon, Sheila Chateau, 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 £2,068 in loose plate giving and £618 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,686. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Sunday 9th October St Denis, Bishop, & Companions, Martyrs; Blessed John Henry Newman, Priest

Monday 10th October St Paulinus of York, Bishop

Tuesday 11th October St John XXIII, Pope

Wednesday 12th October St Wilfrid, Bishop

Thursday 13th October St Edward the Confessor, King

Friday 14th October St Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Saturday 15th October St Teresa of Avila, 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 Eb (K,S,A), Antonio Lotti

Cantate Domino, Giovanni Croce

Vias tuas Domine, Giuseppe Pitoni

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