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Newsletter

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**Twenty-Ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
World Mission Day**

**Weekday Readings for
29th week in Ordinary Time
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Next Sunday's Readings

- Exodus 22:20-26
- Ps 17:2-4.47.51. R.v2
- Thessalonians 1:5-10
- Matthew 22:34-40

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World Mission Day

One of the benefits of having travelled is that you get the opportunity to see the reality of the lives of other people in different countries and cultures. I remember being shown the shanti towns in the suburbs of Nairobi. The houses were made from all sorts of discarded materials. There was no sanitation and few places to access water. It was never-the-less a hive of activity. It closely resembled life in the poor areas of Jakarta. There you could buy anything from the comfort of your car seat whether it was toiletries, or



newspapers, even sculptured figures and household items. On a visit to India I was taken to see the devastation caused by the Tsunami and the efforts being taken to rebuild shattered communities. In all these communities the Church plays a significant role in helping the men and women to seek to improve their conditions

by working to give them the skills and resources that enables them to acknowledge their dignity and build respect for their community. Today is World Mission Sunday, when we support the work of our own Bishop's Conference to promote such efforts in countries around the world. The Church is universal. The charity of the Church reflects the will of Christ that the resources of the world should be targeted on the relief of the poor, and the encouragement to build their communities.

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark MA
Parish Clergy: Fr Thaddeus Nwokeji and Deacon Julian Burling
Also Resident: Canon Elias Vojtech, Giovanni Prandini (Student)
Team Members: Sr Francis SSA, Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU and Cristina Connolly

SECOND COLLECTION

Today, 22 October, is World Mission Day. The second collection will go in its entirety to *Missio*, the Church's official organ for the support of foreign missions, of churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where Church is new, young or poor. Thank you for your support.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Do come and have a chat with other parishioners over a delicious continental breakfast with croissants and bacon rolls today, 22 October, in the Lower Hall after the 8.15am Mass up to 12 noon.

TRADCRAFT

Traidcraft items will be on sale this Sunday, groceries, chocolate, gifts and Christmas cards for early birds! We really need more helpers to sell on the fortnightly stall - just twice or three times a year would be great! Please offer to help us on the stall or to celiacviic@btinternet.com, 020 8946 6528 or maggie.kane@timeandleisure.co.uk

PLANNED GIVING

Many thanks to the parishioners who collected Planned Giving forms after the presentations on 7/8 October. Could you please complete them and return them to the Presbytery. If you were not at the Masses when the talk was given, please note that copies are available at the back of the church explaining why we need to increase our income together with gift aid and bankers order forms.

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' this Monday 23 October from 6-8pm.

SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

A signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated today 22 October at 4pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church.

All with hearing difficulties welcome.

YOUTH MASS

Please note that there will be no Youth Mass this October.

HOLY ROSARY

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. You are very

welcome to join us for daily rosary at 6pm (except Sunday) in the Lady Chapel (behind the altar to the left) even if only for a decade.

SCHOOL SLIPS

No school slips collection this weekend. School slips will be collected again on 4/5 November.

Announcements

SERVERS

We are looking for volunteers ready to help with the serving at Mass especially at the 11.15am & 12.45pm Sunday Masses where there is a particular shortage of servers. Servers play a significant part in the liturgies assisting the priest in the celebration of the Mass. There is no restriction on age or gender and both young and the not so young would be more than welcome to train as our Sunday servers. If you are interested do give your name to one of the clergy or

leave it in the Parish Office and you will be contacted. It is a very significant ministry within the parish so don't be reluctant. We are grateful to all our servers who add so much to our Sunday celebrations.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

On Saturday 28 October from 10.30 - 11.30am, in the Parish Lounge. Grief is a particularly isolating experience that can affect all aspects of your 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 call 020 8946 5198.

LIFE

On Friday 27 October, the eve of the 50th anniversary of the Abortion Act, there will be a LIFE vigil in St. John Fisher's Church, SW20 9DB. Mass will be at 8pm, followed by a Prayer Vigil and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 11pm. Please come and pray.

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. Contact: edgehillmemorylaneclub@gmail.com or Jenny (07906 856 183), Charlotte (07714 702 735).

ART GROUP

Meeting on Tuesday 24 October at 2.15-4.15pm in the Lower Hall, drawing/painting from life using a model (some materials available or bring your own). All welcome.

WIMBLEDON CANCER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

This month's drop-in will be on Thursday 26 October from 3.15-4.30pm. Anyone affected by any cancer is most welcome and will have the opportunity to talk to our volunteers and other people also affected by can-

cer, either personally or as a carer, friend or relative. Wimbledon Guild, 30/32 Worple Road (side door on the right-hand side of the building), SW19 4EF; (contact 07948 767 936, wcfg@live.co.uk)

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Meeting: Friday 3 November, Lounge at 2.30pm. A welcome return of the well-known, knowledgeable numismatist Tim Everson, who will talk on the coinage of the Holy Land; followed by tea and cakes. Do bring your friends, all welcome.

Social, Cultural & Notices

BABES IN THE WOODS Marsh. These auditions are suitable for children who are too young to come to the adult rehearsals on Tuesdays. Edge Hill Players are running panto workshops and auditions for children, today, 22 October at 11.30am and 2.30pm in the Lower Hall of the Parish Hall. This will give everyone a chance to find out about the story of *Babes in the Wood* and to try some singing, dancing and acting with the producer/directors Wendy Tansey and Terry

SH PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

Sunday 29 October, Photography Group walk in Morden Hall Park for autumn colours. Meet in front of Café at 3pm. All welcome including non-photographers. Alison Lobo 07711 583 414

GENERATIONS TOGETHER IT CLINICS

Generations Together IT Clinics will continue on Fridays 3/11, 10/11, 17/11 & 24/11 - 12.35pm at the UHS. Knowledgeable girls provide excellent computer and mobile phone tuition. All grades welcome. No charge. Contact Sheila Gent 020 8390 0119 to book a place.

Exploring our Faith

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT

Welcome you to come on a one-day Retreat of quiet Reflection on Saturday 28 October 11am – 5pm at the Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, Warwick Street, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR. For more info contact Eileen & David Brum 020 8542 2476, lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com

FORMATION FOR MINISTRY

The Merton Deanery invites you to a talk by Malcom Jones on 'Readers: Reading or Proclaiming?' on Saturday 28 October, 10am-noon at Christ the King, SW19 8AJ. For info please contact sadiesmith3@talktalk.net

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT & PILGRIMAGE

You are welcome to a one-day retreat led by Marian Fathers on Saturday 4 November from 11am-4.30pm at our church. All welcome!

The Divine Mercy Apostolate of Marian Fathers organise a Pilgrimage to the Shrine of

Our Lady of Knock, Ireland, from 16-20 November: costs £410 pp (includes return flight from LGW, half board, 4 nights).

For more information please contact info@divinemercy.org.uk or call 020 8998 0925.

NEW PEOPLE - NEW HEARTS

Come and join in a day of celebrating 50 years of Charismatic Renewal at St. George's Cathedral on Saturday 4 November from 9.45am-4.45pm. Praise and Worship, Reconciliation, Testimony, Healing Service, Mass and talk by David Wells on 'New People - New Hearts, The action of the Holy Spirit in the life of a disciple today'. Further info from Southwark Diocesan Service Team (07976 245 685).

POPE FRANCIS ON LOVE AND JOY

A meeting for the laity to explore and discuss the Pope's views on love in the family will be held on Saturday 4 November in New Malden. For more info please contact philandmary@blueyonder.co.uk or call 020 8651 2477.

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

'Prayer in Tough Times' - a One Day Workshop facilitated by Brendan McManus SJ on Saturday 4 November from 11am-4pm. Methods will include experiential talks/input from Brendan; small group discussion and sharing; slide presentations with evocative images and a simple paraliturgy. Please book in advance via www.pathwaystogod.org or call 020 7495 1673.

TALK ON SAINT PIO

'Prayer is the best armour we have, it is the key which opens the heart of God'. You are welcome to a talk on Padre Pio from Pietrelcina by Fr Domenico Vitulli on Wednesday 8 November at the Holy Cross Church, Ashington Rd SW6 3QJ. Mass 7.15 –8pm, Catechesis 8-9pm. For more info email padrepiogroupuk@gmail.com

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.

YOUTH MINISTER & PARISH CATECHETICAL CO-ORDINATOR

Our parish is one of the largest parishes in the country with over 2,000 people attending the church every week. We wish to appoint a new Youth Minister.

We are also seeking applicants for the new post of Parish Catechetical Co-Ordinator, a function previously carried out by volunteers. For full details of both posts contact Thelma D'Costa at wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk or telephone 020 8946 0305. Closing date for applications: 17 November 2017.

DONHEAD SCHOOL

The trustees will be making appointments to the governing body at the end of this year with the intention of new governors taking up their roles in January 2018. The school would welcome hearing from anyone who is interested in serving as a governor. Those appointed will be practising Catholics, supportive of the Jesuit identity and mission of the school and able to make a significant contribution to the skills range of the governing body. To be considered for appointment, please send a brief CV to the Clerk to the Governors at Donhead School before November 1st.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr T Nwokeji 11.15am Fr T Nwokeji
8.15am Canon V Elias 12.45pm Canon J Clark
8.30am* Fr M Barnes SJ 5.00pm Fr M Barnes SJ
9.45am Canon J Clark 8.00pm Fr A Nunes SJ

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 21 6.30pm Loretto McNamara RIP
Mon 23 7.30am David & Lorenza Boyce RIP
10.00am David Malin RIP
6.30pm Muriel Eleanor Reid RIP and All Souls
Tue 24 7.30am Gemma Davies Ints.
10.00am Ruth Corless Ints.
6.30pm Elfrieda Dubois RIP
Wed 25 7.30am Our Lady Queen of Peace
10.00am Maureen Stromborg RIP
6.30pm Joe Harrington RIP
Thu 26 7.30am Jenny Ray Ints.
10.00am Maureen Stromborg RIP
6.30pm Kathleen O'Neill RIP
Fri 27 7.30am John Redding RIP
10.00am Maureen Stromborg RIP
6.30pm John Travers RIP
Sat 28 7.30am Sr Pauline McGrotty RIP
10.00am Cecil Lobo RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Nicole W Browne, Patricia Meehan

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Olek Koscia, Innocent Ferreira, Vincent Danil, Peter Kennedy, Sr Ethel Hudson SSA, Lucia Claydon, Alan Paul

The sick: Brian Sewell, Cath O'Neill, Lalita Nagar, Fr Phelim McGowan SJ, Donal Hogan, Sheila Johnstone, Judex Celine, John Burke-Gafney, John Douglas, Fr Michael O'Halloran SJ, Barbara Johnston, Linda Day, Eddie Power, Tom Searle, Iris Desmier, Sandra Broadbent, Daphne Minas, Gabriel Godfrey, Sr Charmaine, Yvonna Patton, Tracy Byrne, Giena Worth, Ronnie Bradnick, Alexander Skachkov, Baby Bleu Denley Saunders, Patricia Meehan, Joan Paul, Frank Micetich, Roberto Luigi Farina, Sophia Ridley, Avril Brown, Cindy Bayat, Bernadette McMurray, Anne Medcraft, Carol Escalona, David Fyfe, Mary Wallace, Rita Westbrook, Angela de Leon, Alina Hancock, Teresa Scanlon, Michael Hoskins, Electa Almeida, Caleb Edser, Julian Eddy, Troy Najair, Margaret Lumley and Andrew Tan [*Please advise the Reception when names can be removed.*]



COLLECTIONS

Collection at Mass last Sunday came to £1,778 in loose plate giving and £516 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,294. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Sunday 22 October St John Paul II, Pope
Monday 23 October St John Capistrano, Priest
Tuesday 24 October St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
Thursday 26 October Ss Chad and Cedd, Bishops
Saturday 28 October Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles

EXPOSITION

Sundays: 3.00 - 4.00pm

(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 of the month 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 in simplicitate, Jean Langlais

Ave Maria, Zoltán Kodály

PARISH SERVICES

Parish Office/Reception Hours: 9am - 5pm (Mon-Fri) 9.30am - 1pm (Sat) 9am - 1pm (Sun) [A range of religious and greeting cards are on sale at very competitive prices - please feel free to call to view.]

Executive Assistant & Hall bookings: Thelma D'Costa (Mon - Fri 9.30am - 5pm)

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

Admission to Hospital: RC hospital chaplains will only be aware of your admission if you specifically ask for the hospital chaplaincy team to be informed. Please tell a member of the ward staff, it is also helpful to let your parish priest know.