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Newsletter

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**Thirtieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

**Weekday Readings for
30th week in Ordinary Time
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Next Sunday's Readings

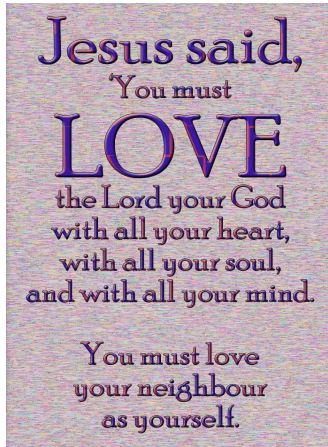
- Malachi 1:14-2:2,8-10
- Ps 130
- Thessalonians 2:7-9,13
- Matthew 23:1-12

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Family Feasts

This week we celebrate two of the great feasts of the family of the Church. Wednesday is the feast of All Saints. The saints are those who in life have fulfilled their baptism, they are now at home, at one with God, sharing the joys of God's heavenly home. Some of these are named by the Church but the vast majority of the saints go unrecognized by the Church. They are the ordinary men and women who have been faithful to God and who have received purification in purgatory and now share the joys of God's



kingdom. They are your family members who have died and who justly anticipate a place in heaven. They are part of the family of God and their prayers and intercession can aid us on our journey of faith to the Father. The second feast is that of All Souls. Again, we are thinking of our family members on the

way to sainthood, who are in that process of purification that will lead them to heaven. Our prayers for them support them on their way and their prayers for us help us on our journey to God.

The Holy Souls envelopes are there for you to name family and friends who you would like prayed for during this month of November. They will be placed in a box on the altar during the Masses this month and remembered in the Mass. Any donations in the envelopes will go to Masses for the Holy Souls.

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

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: 17 November.

CALLING ALL FUNDRAISERS

Deacon Julian Burling is heading a group to raise money for our parish. If you work in charity fundraising and can spare an hour of your time to advise him, please contact julian.burling@yahoo.com to arrange an appointment.

STAMP CUTTING AT JESUIT MISSIONS

The next stamp cutting and sorting session will be on Thursday 2 November at 9.30am at 11 Edge Hill, SW19 4RL. Please donate any used or old stamps, collections to this address at any time.

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 30 October from 7.30-9.30pm.

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

The celebration of this feast will begin with Solemn

Vespers and Benediction in the church at 8pm on the Vigil, Tuesday 31 October.

ALL SAINTS

On Wednesday 1 & Thursday 2 November Masses will be celebrated at 7.30 & 10am, 6.30 and 8pm.

SCHOOL SLIPS

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

Announcements

FIRST FRIDAY VIGIL OF PRAYER

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and for World Peace will be on Friday 3 November following the 6.30pm Mass continuing to midnight. Silent prayer to 8.30pm followed by meditations and prayers. Please come if only for a short visit.

FORMATION FOR MINISTRY

The Merton Deanery invites you to a talk on 'The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool 2018' by Fr John Mulligan from 7.30-9pm on Tuesday 7 November at St Teresa's, Morden, SM4 6RL. For more info

contact sadiesmith3@talktalk.net

CHRISTMAS CARDS

There will be a sale of Christmas cards, advent calendars, diaries etc, from *Aid to the Church in Need* after all Masses on the weekend of 11/12 November. Please do support this good cause when shopping for your Christmas cards this year (please remember to bring cash).

SERVERS

We are still 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.

MASS FOR THE BEREAVED

On Saturday 25 November a Mass for the bereaved of our parish will be celebrated at 10am, followed by tea and coffee in the Lounge. All who have lost a loved one are warmly invited.

Parish Organisations

WCFG

The Wimbledon Cancer Friendship Group offers friendship, information and a listening ear to anyone affected by any cancer. There will be an evening meeting on Thu 9 Nov from 7.30-9pm when Nerina Ramlakhan, a sleep therapist who has written books on the subject, will be talking about the many ways we can help ourselves sleep better from diet to the sleeping environment. 30/32

Worple Road, SW19 4EF; 07948 767 936, wcfg@live.co.uk

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

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Meeting: Fri 3 Nov, 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. All welcome.

Social, Cultural & Notices

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.

EM SOCIAL

This year's social for Eucharistic Ministers and all who help at Mass, including readers and drivers, will be held in the Parish Lounge on Thursday 9 November from 7.30-9pm. Please try to save the date!

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALK

You are invited to a Catholic History walk on Thursday 9

November at 2pm on 'Lift up your heads, O Gates!'. Explore the Historic City of London and splendid pre-Reformation Churches. Meet outside the Church of the Precious Blood, The Borough; Cost £5, concessions available; walks may take up to 2 hrs. Visit www.catholichistorywalks.com for more information.

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.

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. Should you wish to be considered for appointment, please send a brief CV to the Clerk to the Governors at Donhead School from whom further details can be obtained. Applications should be submitted by November 1st.

CATHOLICS IN HEALTHCARE

Catholics in Healthcare: Extraordinary lives, extraordinary Saints. On Saturday 4 November there will be a one-day conference on 'A celebration of inspirational Catholics in healthcare' for juniors and students of the Healthcare Professions at St Aloysius Catholic Church, Euston, London. For more info please contact events@catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk

Exploring our Faith

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The next SH Charismatic Prayer Group meeting is on Mon 30 Oct from 7.30 - 9pm in the church. Charles Whitehead (who was appointed Papal Knight by St John Paul II is Chairman of the International Catholic Charismatic Renewal Service, and advisor to the Bishops' Conference) will be giving a talk "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, says the Lord Almighty (Zechariah 4:6)" on what it means to be "walking in the Spirit" in our normal daily lives and how to avoid slipping back into the old ways. All are welcome! Any enquiries contact: 07958 782 779 Audra.

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT

You are welcome to a one-day retreat led by Marian Fathers on Saturday 11 November from 11am-4pm at the RC Church of St Agnes, 35 Cricklewood Lane, London NW2 1HR. All welcome! 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 Sat 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 paralyturgy. Please book in advance via www.pathwaystogod.org or call 020 7495 1673.

LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY

You are invited to the first talk of a series of Evenings of Faith led by Fr Christopher Findlay-Wilson on 'Jesus, my way to the Father' on Tuesday 7 November at 7pm at the Challoner Room, 24 Golden Square, W1F 9JR; pizza & wine/juice served. For more info visit www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith

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 Wed 8 Nov at the Holy Cross Church, Ashington Rd SW6 3QJ. Mass 7.15-8pm, Catechesis 8-9pm. For more info email padrepiogroupuk@gmail.com

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 28 6.30pm Mary Eileen Coney RIP
 Mon 30 7.30am Maureen Wrangle RIP
 10.00am Roy Haslehurst RIP
 6.30pm Constance Davey RIP
 Tue 31 7.30am Penny Holloway RIP
 10.00am Mary Nee Ints.
 6.30pm Ginetta Gazzi RIP
 Wed 1 7.30am Ilma Tong RIP
 10.00am Kasia Bustin Ints.
 6.30pm Helen O'Keeffe RIP
 8.00pm Zachary Staussi-Gomes Ints.
 Thu 2 7.30am Mary Denning Ints.
 10.00am Breda Reta Maher Ints.
 11.30am Funeral Service for Patricia Meehan
 6.30pm Mary Morton RIP
 8.00pm Joe D'Costa & Noel D'Costa RIP
 Fri 3 7.30am Donnacha O'Donovan RIP
 10.00am Donald Raistrick RIP
 6.30pm Dr Breen Mullen RIP
 Sat 4 7.30am Our Lady Queen of Peace prayer group
 10.00am Souls in Need

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Patricia Meehan, Donal Hogan and Angela Hall

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Winifred Keane, Ginetta Gazzi, Roger Heatry, Michael John Kelleher, Rita Cavin, Philippe Chateau

The sick: Horace D'Cruz, Paul Helm, Brian Sewell, Cath O'Neill, Lalita Nagar, Fr Phelim McGowan SJ, 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, 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 £1,411 in loose plate giving and £368 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £1,779. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

The second collection in support of *Missio* raised £1,616. Thank you for your generosity.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 1 November All Saints, holy day of obligation

Thursday 2 November The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

Friday 3 November St Martin de Porres, Religious

Saturday 4 November St Charles Borromeo, Bishop, Mem.

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 brevis in Eb, Antonio Lotti

Vias tuas, Domine, Giuseppe Pitoni

O sacrum convivium, Giuseppe A.

Bernabei

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.