



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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## Newsletter

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**Thirty-First Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

**Weekday Readings for  
31st week in Ordinary Time  
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**Vol III. psalter week 3**

### Next Sunday's Readings

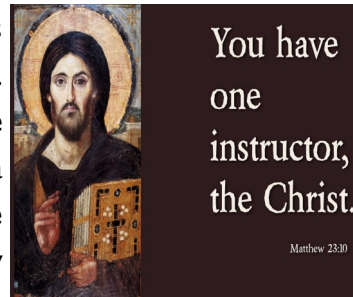
- Book of Wisdom 6:12-16
- Ps 62:2-8. R.v2
- I Thessalonians 4:13-18
- Matthew 25:1-13

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## Next Sunday: Remembrance Day

Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. It will be marked here in the parish as a wreath is laid at the Pieta, given in memory of those who died in the first and second world wars. In the village we will have the annual Remembrance Sunday memorial service at the War Memorial, at 11am. It is heartening to see that year by year the numbers of those attending this village event grows. Although few if any of those who served during the last war are still alive, their bravery is. It is their commitment to the freedom of our



country that we continue to remember and to honour. It is not just those who gave their lives in the two world wars, it is those who since then in many other conflicts have given their lives in the cause of peace. Others have had their lives changed by the injuries they have received in the line of duty. It is right that we both remember and honour these men and women of our armed

forces. Their sacrifice which we recall at our Remembrance Day services reminds us of the human cost of war and the imperative which is ours to seek and strive for peace. We have been fortunate over the past 70 years in Europe. We have learnt the lessons of the terrible conflicts that marked the first half of the 20th century. We need to focus our efforts on a continued need to seek always for a peaceful solution to the conflicts of our time and for our leaders to exercise wisdom and restraint.

### 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

The second collection next Sunday 12 November will be in support of the *Archbishop Administration Fund*, a collection that helps to meet the cost of the central administration of the diocese.

## 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](mailto:wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk) or telephone 020 8946 0305. Closing date: 17 November.

## THANK YOU

The Stromborg Family would like to thank all family and friends for the Masses, prayers and donations in memory of Maureen. Thank you!

## 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 6 November from 6-8pm.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again this weekend, 4/5 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](mailto:julian.burling@yahoo.com)

to arrange an appointment.

### THANK YOU

Arthur White would like to express his gratitude to all parishioners who so generously contributed to his farewell gift!

## Announcements

### HOLY SOULS ENVELOPES

If you would like to have your deceased family members remembered in the Masses during November write their names on a piece of paper and put it into the Holy Souls envelopes provided. They will be placed in a box on the altar during the Masses this month. Any donations in the envelopes will go to Masses for the Holy Souls throughout the year.

### 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](mailto: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).

### MORNING PRAYER

We continue the celebration of Morning Prayer from the Divine Office each Wednesday

day morning in the Sacred Heart Chapel at 9.40am before the 10am Mass.

### 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.

### 11.15am CHOIR

The 11.15am Choir are looking to recruit new members, so if you've ever thought of singing in the choir, please introduce yourself after Mass or email [robert.rathbone@mac.com](mailto:robert.rathbone@mac.com) for more details.

## 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.

This month's drop-in will be on Thursday 23 November

from 3.15-4.30pm. 30/32 Worple Road (side door on right-hand side of the building), SW19 4EF; 07948 767 936, [wcfg@live.co.uk](http://wcfg@live.co.uk)

### ART GROUP

The Art Group returns to the usual times for November, first and third Tuesdays, 7 & 21. In the Lower Hall 2.15 - 4.15pm. Theme: Wildlife, bring item or photo to draw or paint (some materials available). All welcome.

### TRADCRAFT

Traidcraft items will be on sale this Sunday, groceries, chocolate, gifts & 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 your help to us on the stall or to [celiacviic@btinternet.com](mailto:celiacviic@btinternet.com), [maggie.kane@timeandleisure.co.uk](mailto:maggie.kane@timeandleisure.co.uk) or 020 8946 6528.

## Social, Cultural & Notices

### GENERATIONS TOGETHER IT CLINICS

The next sessions of the *Generations Together IT Clinics* will be on Fridays 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.

### 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, Borough SE1 1TA; Cost £5, concessions availa-

ble; walks may take up to 2 hrs. Visit [www.catholichistorywalks.com](http://www.catholichistorywalks.com) for more information.

### 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.

### WEST BARNES SINGERS

The West Barnes Singers will be joined by the choristers of St Mary's for their Christmas concert (Händel's Coronation Anthems, Festive Carols) on Saturday 2 December at 7.30pm at St Saviour's Church, Grand Drive, SW20 9DG. Tickets (available from choir members or at the door) are £10, children free.

### SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

The PSA at Sacred Heart Primary School recently submitted a project to the *Aviva Community Fund* to try to win a grant of £25,000. If they win, the money would be used to buy a school mini bus. They ask for your help: they need your votes to make sure they are in the top number of votes (1,748 projects in competition with them). So please go online, visit <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-4968> voting for the project is simple and takes just a few minutes (and you could win an iPad, £250 M&S vouchers etc.), do ask all your family, friends and colleagues to do the same.

### 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.

### CATHOLIC LEGACY WEEK

Catholic Legacy week 5-11 November. Gifts in your Will are a wonderful way you can continue to support the Church's ministry and mission and help meet the needs of future generations. Do please consider gifts to the Church and Catholic charities next time you update your Will. For more information pick up a leaflet at the back of the church; contact your Catholic Legacy on 020 7095 5370, visit [www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk](http://www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk) or contact Adrian Radford, the Diocesan Financial Controller by email: [adrian.radford@finance-rdcsouthwark.org](mailto:adrian.radford@finance-rdcsouthwark.org)

## Exploring our Faith

### 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@divinemercury.org.uk](mailto:info@divinemercury.org.uk) or call 020 8998 0925.

### 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 Tue 7 Nov 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](http://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](mailto:padrepiogroupuk@gmail.com)

### PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Fatima for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, from 7-10 December, £375/450 includes return flights from LGW to Lisbon, 3 nights, 4\* half board, all transfers, excursions; please visit

[www.northernstartravel.com](http://www.northernstartravel.com) or call 01617732115 for more info.

### MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

*Psalms New and Old*: The psalms are the bedrock of Christian worship, perhaps most notably in religious/monastic circles but also as a prayerful resource in all sorts of situations. The workshop aims to uncover some of the riches of this vast heritage. There will be times of group prayer & individual prayer, silence and for writing our own psalms. Sat 18 Nov 11am-4pm led by Audrey Hamilton and Rachel Spence; Mount Street Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street, W1K 3AH [pathwaystogod.org](http://pathwaystogod.org) 020 7495 1673.

### KINGSTON CHILD CONTACT CENTRE

Kingston Child Contact Centre is a warm, safe and inclusive environment where non-resident parents (separated from their children) can be with them in a neutral space. We are currently recruiting volunteers for both, volunteer and co-ordinator roles. If you think you would be suited to this and have three hours to spare approximately every 4-8 weeks, then please contact us at <http://kingstonchildcontactcentre.org.uk>. Volunteers must be subjected to an enhanced DBS check.

### 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 T Nwokeji          5.00pm Fr A Nunes SJ  
9.45am Canon J Clark          8.00pm Canon J Clark

\* SH School Mass Centre

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 4 6.30pm Keane & Moriarty Family members RIP  
Mon 6 7.30am Thanksgiving Ints.  
10.00am St Jude Thanksgiving Ints.  
6.30pm Marek Ints.  
Tue 7 7.30am Charlie Sullivan RIP  
10.00am Funeral Service for Angela Hall  
6.30pm Marek Ints.  
Wed 8 7.30am Remo & Marina Dipre Ints.  
10.00am Anthony Maher RIP  
6.30pm Marek Ints.  
Thu 9 7.30am Leon Rychlinski Ints.  
10.00am Margaret Donegan Ints.  
6.30pm Marek Ints.  
Fri 10 7.30am Tina Connolly RIP  
10.00am Brian Carbury RIP  
6.30pm Marek Ints.  
Sat 11 7.30am Breda & Rita Maher Ints.  
10.00am Marek Ints.

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** Judith Young, Angela Hall  
**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Rosa Lacide, Robert Threlfall, Barry Turner, Patrick Dantas, Cynthia Jackson, Andrew Clark, John Wheeler, Frances Mary Hockley, Joaquim Pires, Ana Rosa Carneiro

**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 £2,016 in loose plate giving and £607 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,623. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

### FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

**Tuesday 7 November** Dedication of the Cathedral Church of St George  
**Wednesday 8 November** St Willibrord, Bishop  
**Thursday 9 November** Dedication of the Lateran Basilica  
**Friday 10 November** St Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church  
**Saturday 11 November** St Martin de Tours, Bishop

### 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 C major, K 258, Spaur-Messe, W.A. Mozart*

*Laudate Dominum, W.A. Mozart*

### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.