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Newsletter

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**Thirty-Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

**Weekday Readings for
32nd week in Ordinary Time
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Next Sunday's Readings

- Book of Proverbs 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31
- Ps 127:1-5. R.v1
- I Thessalonians 5:1-6
- Matthew 25:14-30

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Christmas Lunch 2017

Believe it or not, it is that time again when we start the planning of the Christmas Lunch. Each year, on Christmas Day, we have lunch for upwards of 100 people from the parish. It is a great event both for those who organise and help with the day and those who come along to share in the lunch. Such a big event needs a lot of organisation and I am very grateful to Eric, ably advised by Angela, and other team members, for agreeing to arrange the lunch. This is where you all come in: we need volunteers to help on the day, we need donations of food and



Remembrance Day 2017

drink as well as gifts for presents. We need help with the preparation and decoration of the hall, as well as having teams that will work in the kitchen preparing the food and others for clearing up after the lunch. If you want to help with the cost of the lunch you can leave donations in the Parish Office. There is a hand-out available at the back of the church which we would ask

you to complete if you would like to join us for the lunch on Christmas Day. Also if you would like to volunteer to help, there is space at the bottom of the form to let us know how you would be willing to help. Those heading up each of the areas of volunteer help will be in touch with you to let you know how they would like you to help. Please return the completed forms to the Presbytery. It will be a great day, thanks in advance for your help.

Note: I will be leaving on Monday for my annual holiday. I will be back on the 5th December.

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 today will be in support of the *Archbishop Administration Fund*, a collection that helps to meet the cost of the central administration of the diocese.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

There will be a sale of Christmas cards, advent calendars, diaries etc, from *Aid to the Church in Need* after all Masses this weekend, 11/12 November. Please do support this good cause!

STAND UP FOR FAITH AND FREEDOM!

On 22 November please support *Red Wednesday* - a ground-breaking campaign which calls on UK Christians and those of other faiths to stand up for faith and freedom, which highlights the discrimination and violence faced by millions of Christians around the world today - by committing to one minute of prayerful reflection at midday, wearing a distinctive item of red clothing, or sharing *#RedWednesday* posts and tweets. *#RedWednesday* starter kits are available free of charge from www.acnuk.org/redwednesday

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

A delicious continental breakfast with croissants and bacon rolls will be served in the Lower Hall after the 8.15am Mass up to 12 noon on Sunday 26 November, all are welcome!

WIMBLEDON MUSIC FESTIVAL

As there are concerts of the festival taking place in our church this and next Saturday evening, there might be slight changes to the position of the pews. Thank you for your understanding.

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be **no** 'At Home' until mid December.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

EXPOSITION

Please note that there will be **no** morning exposition this Wednesday 15 November.

CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS

There is a need for volunteer catechists to help with the

preparation classes for next year's confirmation programme which begins in January. Should you be willing to assist, please kindly send an email to edgesw19@gmail.com (Fr Ted and the Confirmation Team).

VACANCIES

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.

Announcements

PARISH WEBSITE

After a lengthy gestation period the new version of the parish website has now been launched:

It can be viewed at <https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/> The site already has pages for many of the parish ministries and organisations. All groups are encouraged to have their own page as this helps to broadcast the vitality of our parish, and in the recruitment of members and volunteers. It has many very useful facilities such as

rota organising and automatic email reminders to those on the rota! If you would like your ministry or group to have its own page, please email sacredheartwebanddatabase@gmail.com and a member of the Communications Team will get in touch. We can now keep the parish calendar up to date much more easily. If you have a parish event organised, please send the details to wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk If you have your own page, you can make your entries.

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 for more details.

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

The next Art Group meeting will be on Tuesday 21 November. In the Lower Hall 2.15 - 4.15pm. Theme: Wildlife, bring item or photo to draw or paint (some materials available). All welcome.

WCFG

The Wimbledon Cancer Friendship Group offers friendship, information and a listening ear to anyone affected by any cancer. This month's drop-in will be on Thursday 23 November from

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

MANNA SOCIETY

The Manna Centre at Melior Street supports the many homeless in that area with the opportunity to get food, clothing and medical care. Any donations of dried or canned food, toiletries, men's clothing etc. can be left in the green bins inside the Lower Hall.

Social, Cultural & Notices

GENERATIONS TOGETHER IT CLINICS

There are two more sessions of the *Generations Together IT Clinics* on Fridays 17 & 24 November at 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.

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 minibus. They ask for your help: they need your votes to make sure they are in the top number of votes (1,748 pro-

jects 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.

CHRIST THE KING CHURCH

The annual Christmas Fair will take place next Saturday 18 November from 11am-3pm in the Church Hall of Christ the King Church in Crescent Gardens, Wimbledon Park, SW19 8AJ. All are very welcome.

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.

JESUIT MISSIONS

JM would like to thank parishioners for a donation of £163.20, the donation will go towards their many life changing projects across the world.

JM are looking again for marathon runners to take part in the London Marathon 2018. If you are interested please contact info@jesuitmissions.org.uk or call 020 8946 0466.

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.

SACRED HEART CAR PARK

The parish car park is for parishioners coming to church, users and hirers of the halls, staff, volunteers and visitors to the Presbytery. If there are events at the local schools, unfortunately the car park is not available for those vehicles as parishioners attending Mass or mourners for funerals must be able to park in the spaces provided. There is a system which will generate parking tickets for non authorised users, which we would prefer not to have to enforce. IF YOU ARE A GENUINE USER THIS WILL NOT AFFECT YOU. Please remember to use the correct entrance and exit to the car park. This is for your safety and the safety of others. Please do not park in the disabled parking bays unless you have the appropriate disabled badge. The parking spaces beside the Presbytery are only available for parish clergy, religious and staff. Thank you!

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.

Exploring our Faith

THE SACRED HEART Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting in the Youth Room on Monday 13 November for Prayer, Praise and Worship, from 7.30 – 9pm. There will be a talk on “*Trials and Temptations*” by Audra Wamsteker, a qualified Solicitor and Barrister in corporate finance who works in the City and leads the SH Charismatic group. All are welcome! Any enquiries contact: 07958 782779

LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY

You are invited to a talk of a series of Evenings of Faith led by Fr Dylan James on ‘*Meeting God in the Liturgy of the Church*’ on Tuesday 21

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

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. Saturday 18 November 11am-4pm led by

Audrey Hamilton and Rachel Spence; Mount Street Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street, W1K 3AH pathwaystogod.org 020 7495 1673.

GUILD OF OUR LADY AND ST JOSEPH

You are invited to a lecture on ‘*The New Evangelisation and the Old Mass*’ by Fr Uwe Michael Lang C.O. on Wednesday 29 November at St Wilfrid's Hall, Brompton Rd, SW7 2RP. Doors open at 6.30pm, lecture at 7pm, Low Mass in the EF at 8pm, refreshments to follow, cost £5 at the door. Registration guildofourladyandstjoseph@gmail.com

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr T Nwokeji 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 Fr T Nwokeji 8.00pm Fr A Nunes SJ

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 11 6.30pm Members of the Thompson Family RIP
Mon 13 7.30am Sheila Chateau RIP
10.00am Roy Haslehurst RIP
6.30pm Marek Ints.
Tue 14 7.30am Marek Ints
10.00am Barden Family RIP
6.30pm Members of the Westbrook Family RIP
Wed 15 7.30am Marek Ints.
10.00am Mark Bye RIP
6.30pm Tricia Dipre Ints.
Thu 16 7.30am Tina Connolly RIP
10.00am Ines Roel Miranda RIP
6.30pm Thomas Gabriel RIP
Fri 17 7.30am Clive Welland RIP
10.00am Ines Roel Miranda RIP
6.30pm Mark Gorham RIP
Sat 18 7.30am Charles O'Connor RIP
10.00am Leslie Fernandes RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Judith Young
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Sheila Bubb, Victor Cox, Wanda Morris, Phyllis Harris, Luka Stroh
The sick: Carol Donnelly, Richard Hurst, Horace D'Cruz, Paul Helm, Brian Sewell, Cath O'Neill, Lalita Nagar, Sheila Johnstone, Judex Celine, John Burke-Gafney, John Douglas, Fr Michael O'Halloran SJ, Linda Day, Fr Phelim McGowan SJ, 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 Medicraft, 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 £1,842 in loose plate giving and £439 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,281. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Monday 13 November St Francis Xavier Cabrini; St Stanislaus Kostka SJ
Wednesday 15 November St Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thursday 16 November St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop
Friday 17 November St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
Saturday 18 November Dedication of the Basilica of Ss Peter and Paul

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

Solemn Requiem Mass for those who have died in war and conflict

Introit, K, S, In paradisum from the Requiem Op 45, Gabriel Fauré

Offertory motet: God so loved the world (The Crucifixion), John Stainer

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.