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Newsletter

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**Sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

**Weekday Readings for
6th week in Ordinary Time
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Next Sunday's Readings

- Genesis 9:8-15
- Ps 24:4-9. R. cf. v10
- I Letter of St Peter 3:18-22
- Mark 1:12-15

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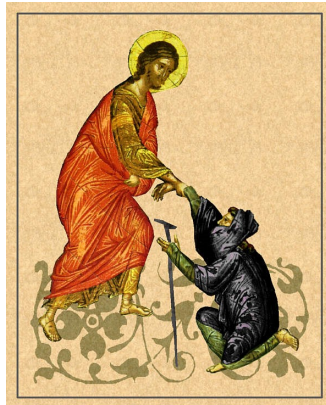
A Prayer for the Diocese

The bishops of England and Wales will hold a National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress, 'Adoremus', in Liverpool from the 7th to the 9th September this year. Eucharistic Congresses are gatherings of clergy, religious and laity which promote an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Church. To aid our preparation for the Congress the Archbishop has issued a prayer for the Southwark Diocese. We will use the prayer before each Mass during the period of Lent starting on Wednesday, Ash Wednesday. The prayer is:

Loving God, help us to be open to the freshness of your Spirit. Fill us with enthusiasm for the Good News. Invite us into a deeper relationship with your Son, Jesus Christ, truly present in the Eucharist. Make us more aware of where there is need for new life. Help us to reach out to those who feel lost or abandoned, those who are searching and questioning, those who have walked away from you and those who are eager to know your love. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Cards with this prayer on it are available at the back of the church. Do take a copy home with you.

It has been suggested that we have a 'Tip for Lent', in the newsletter each week to help us



use the Lent season positively. So for this week I suggest attending the Lenten devotion of the Stations of the Cross this Friday evening at 7.15pm (following the evening Mass.)

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

Catechetical Co-Ordinator: David Wills

SECOND COLLECTION

Today's second collection will be for Poor Parishes: formerly Needs of the Diocese collection, this collection enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the poorer parishes in the diocese. Thank you for your support!

PASTORAL LETTER

Copies of Archbishop Peter Smith's Pastoral Letter are available at the back of the church.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections for our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) are due to take place in March. We are looking for 5 new members of the PPC. Please read the leaflet attached to this newsletter and think about recommending someone - maybe even yourself.

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

Two Jesuit undergraduates at Heythrop, Anuranjan Ekka from the Darjeeling Province, currently living in the Loyola House community in Edge Hill, and George Stephen Thayriam from Madurai, a member of the Hurtado Jesuit community in Wapping, were ordained to the diaconate on Saturday by Bishop John Sherrington. Please remember these men in your prayers!

INTERIOR DESIGNER? CAN YOU HELP?

We propose to smarten up the Lower Hall to make it a warmer, friendlier place with better acoustics. Advice from someone with interior design skills would be much appreciated. If that's your thing, please contact Mike Cairns. 020 8947 7320 or cairns.mt@gmail.com

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 12 February from 6-8pm.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will not be collected until 24/25 February.

ASH WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday 14 February is Ash Wednesday, first day of Lent, a day of fasting and abstinence. Masses will be

celebrated at 7.30am, 10am 6.30pm and 8pm. Ashes are distributed at all Masses.

STATION OF THE CROSS

During the season of Lent the celebration of Stations of the Cross will start at 7.15pm every Wednesday & Friday (after the 6.30pm Mass) beginning 16 February.

LENT DAY BY DAY

The Lent 2018 booklets 'My

Day by Day' (adults, junior, infant) are now available at the back of the church and in the Presbytery Reception (£1 each).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Can you spare a few hours to help out in the Parish Reception? Please contact Thelma D'Costa in the Parish Office (020 8946 0305).

Announcements

MEMORIAL MASS

The 11.15am Mass today, Sunday 11 February, will be celebrated in loving memory of one of our readers for many years Prof Hugh Lawrence who still read for us on Christmas Day. His family would like you to join them at this Memorial Celebration.

LENTEN TALKS 2018

The teaching of the Holy Father: the series of talks will focus on the theological teaching of Pope Francis, come and hear what the

Holy Father has to say about the Gospel, the Earth and the Joy of Love. Pick up a leaflet at the back of the church with full details. The first talk will be on Thursday 22 February on 'Theology of Pope Francis' held by Bishop Paul Hendricks. Talks will begin at 7.30pm and take place in the Upper Hall, light supper will be served from 7pm before each talk (further dates 1,8,15 & 22 March). Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year, the Sacred Heart Church is hosting the *Women's World Day of Prayer*. The service starts at 11am on Friday 2 March and lasts about 40 minutes. We hope that as many parishioners as possible will join in prayer at this Parish Prayer Event. Refreshment are served after the service in the Lower Hall. All are welcome!

Parish Organisations

ART GROUP

The Art Group will meet again from 2.15 - 4.15 pm on Tuesday 20 February. The theme: 'Observing colours in the local parks & gardens & winter landscape'. Some materials available or bring your own. All welcome.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 2 March 2.30-4pm: Objects of Interest, do join us for tea and cakes and bring any interesting objects that you may have tucked away at

home and would like to tell us about.

SH CHORUS

The Sacred Heart Chorus would like to invite singers to join them for a performance of Elgar's *Dream of Gerontius* on 9 June 2018. If you are interested, please register via <http://www.sacredheartmusic.co.uk/concerts/the-dream-of-gerontius-chorus-call/>

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

This term's popular *Generations Together IT Clinics* continue at the UHS on Fridays 23 February; 2, 9, 16 & 23 March. Knowledgeable girls provide excellent mobile phone and computer tuition, including how to connect with family abroad or catch up with TV on line. All grades welcome; no charge (booking: Sheila Gent 020 8390 0119).

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALK

You are invited to a Catholic History walk on Wednesday 21 February 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 info.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Do come and have a chat with other parishioners over a delicious continental breakfast on Sunday 25 February from 8am - 1pm in the Lower Hall.

THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS

Elgar's finest choral masterpiece will be performed on Saturday 9 June in the church. Please put the date in your diary for a memorable even-

ing, early bird tickets available on www.sacredheartmusic.co.uk

ST CATHERINE FAITH AND ART SERIES

On Tuesday 27 February at 7.30pm you are invited to a talk on *'What has Athens to do with Jerusalem?'* (a line, taken from the writings of Tertullian, on the relationship between Greek philosophy and Revelation) by Sebastian Morello who will look at Raphael's The School of Athens fresco in the Apostolic Palace in Rome. For more info contact Centre for Catholic Formation, www.ccf.tootingbec.org.uk, 020 8672 7684.

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.

CELEBRATE YOUR MARRIAGE

A Lifetime of Loving is the title of a day in which married couples with average/good marriages can explore their relationship more deeply and gain valuable insights into their communications skills and the call of the Church to the married. The date is Saturday 10 March from 9.45am – 4.30pm. The venue is Holy Cross School, New Malden in south west London. Booking is essential and there is a suggested donation payable of £25. More information from Deacon Philip & Mrs Mary Pond on 020 8651 2477 or email philandmary@blueyonder.co.uk

MARYMOUNT INTL. SCHOOL LONDON

Open Day at MMI (Independent Catholic School for girls in Kingston) on Saturday 10 March 10am – 12noon. Meet the students, see the campus, find out about their curriculum! (Contact: Mrs Cheryl Eysel, director of Admissions, admissions@marymountlondon.com George Road, KT2 7PE, 020 8949 0571).

Exploring our Faith

EVANGELISATION MEETING

Saturday 17 February in the Parish Lounge from 10.30 – 11.30am. Come, a lot has happened since we last met – we have much to share. As we prepare for the Lenten Talks, let's get on with understanding what the Holy Father has to say about The Joy of the Gospel. Come and bring a friend for a coffee and friendship. Everyone is welcome. For more details contact Sadie Smith 020 8946 5198 sadiesmith3@talktalk.net

A DAY WITH MARY

Do come for a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Saturday 17 February at St Bartholomew's, Ellison Road, SW16

5DE from 10am-5.30pm. Entry Pro-cession of Our Lady, Angelus, Crowning, Sung Litany, Mass in honour of Our Lady; celebrant and preacher Fr Innocent Ezeonyeasi, sermons on Our Lady by Fr Anthony Meredith IC. Please visit www.adaywithmary.org for more info.

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT

You are invited to a 1-day retreat on Saturday 17 February from 11am-4pm at RC Church Francis de Sales, 729 High Rd, Tottenham N17 8AG, led by Marian Fathers. For more information please contact Divine Mercy Apostolate at info@divinemercy.org.uk or 020 8998 0925.

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

You are invited to a 1-day workshop on *'Another Look at Why Jesus Died: At-One-Ment'* led by David Cherry on Saturday 24 February from 11am-4pm. 'People wonder why Jesus had to die. It seems implausible that there is a God who demands a price for sin who you could actually love. As Holy Week draws near here is an opportunity to reimagine salvation, to think and begin to feel your faith in a freer way'. For more info please visit www.pathwaystogod.org. 114 Mount Street. London W1K 3AH.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 10 6.30pm Mary Fitzgerald RIP
Mon 12 7.30am Meadhbh Coleman Ints.
10.00am Tracy Byrne RIP
6.30pm Mary Thefaut RIP
Tue 13 7.30am Francois Cousins Ints.
10.00am Thanksgiving Ints.
11.30am Funeral Mass for Iris Desmier
6.30pm Oliver McCormack RIP
Wed 14 7.30am Richard Westcott Ints.
10.00am Katherine Sullivan RIP
6.30pm Marie & Sonny Hearty Ints.
8.00pm Carl Jackson RIP
Thu 15 7.30am Mr Crawley RIP
10.00am Mary Thefaut RIP
11.00am Funeral Mass for Saderio Calise
6.30pm Pamela Grostate RIP
Fri 16 7.30am Patricia George Thanksgiving Ints.
10.00am Funeral Mass for Dermot Mulvihill
6.30pm Juni Tilbury RIP
Sat 17 7.30am Edward Patrick Tolan RIP
10.00am Maria D'Souza RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Carine French, Iris Desmier, Saderio Calise, Dermot Louis Mulvihill, Angelina Blythe, Frances Ryan, Giuseppe Baldacchino, Marlene Hughes, Annette Wise, Jacqueline Coles-Austin

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: James Aquilina, Margaret Ahearne, Donald Stables, Victor McManus

The sick: Simon Hull, William North, Len Hay, John Rothwell, Jeremy Broadhurst, Ernest Bonner, Bertha D'Costa, Pauline Spooner, Oriel Kerr, Simon McPartlin, Carol Donnelly, Richard Hurst, Horace D'Cruz, Anne Olivier, Mike Revell, Paul Helm, Brian Sewell, Alina Hancock, Cath O'Neill, Lalita Nagar, Sheila Johnstone, Judex Celine, John Burke-Gafney, Richard Conceicao, Fr Michael O'Halloran SJ, Linda Day, Fr Phelim McGowan SJ, Eddie Power, Tom Searle, Sandra Broadbent, Daphne Minas, Gabriel Godfrey, Sr Charmaine, Yvonna Patton, Giena Worth, Ronnie Bradnick, Alexander Skachkov, 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, Michael Hoskins, Electa Almeida, Caleb Edser, Julian Eddy, Troy Najair, Margaret Lumley and Andrew Tan



COLLECTIONS

Collection at Mass last Sunday came to £1,805 in loose plate giving and £483 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,288. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 14 February Ash Wednesday, a day of fasting and abstinence;

Ss Cyril, Monk, and Method, Bishop, Patrons of Europe; St Valentine, Priest & Martyr

Saturday 17 February The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

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

Mass of St Ignatius, Fernand Laloux

O quam gloriosum, T.L. de Victoria

Tantum ergo, Fernand Laloux

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) Caretaker: George McLennan

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.