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Newsletter

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Third Sunday
of Lent

Weekday Readings for
3rd week of Lent
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Vol I. psalter week 3

Next Sunday's Readings

- 2 Chronicles 36:14-16. 19-23
- Ps 136. R. V6
- Ephesians 2:4-10
- John 3:14-21

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Destroy the temple, I will raise it again in 3 days

Through the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation we become temples of the Holy Spirit. We share the very life of Jesus himself who was a priest, prophet and king and we share those attributes through our Baptism and are anointed as such with the oil of chrism. Jesus uses this analogy today in the gospel when speaking of the temple; not the physical temple in Jerusalem which he sees as the home of



His father being abused by the money changers and merchants. Rather he sees the temple as his own body which after three days in the tomb following his crucifixion on Calvary, will be restored by his glorious resurrection. Those who heard him speak did not com-

prehend the true meaning of his words. They took him literally and by no stretch of the imagination could they believe that he could rebuild the temple in three days. As we progress through the days of Lent, we are introduced again to the profound reality of Jesus, Son of God and Son of man. Through our Baptism we share His life, through Lent we deepen our faith as we experience a form of resurrection of change of growth.

Prayer for the Church in Southwark

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.

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

ICY WEATHER VOLUNTEERS

We would need a team of able-bodied volunteers who are willing to be called out at weekends to clear and grit paths to the church in the event of snow or ice. Please forward contact details through the parish website, <https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/>, home page 'Contact Us', giving subject as 'Icy weather volunteer'. Thank you for your help!

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT

Love Heals Body Mind and Spirit ministry invite you to a 7-day retreat at Mem Soares, Castelo De Vide, Retreat House, Portugal. 10 – 16 May, cost £620 include return flights: T.A.P. Portugal (LHR - Lisbon), return coach transfers from airport to retreat, full board, excursions to Fatima, to historical local towns of Castelo De Vide & Portalegre, visit to Blessed Chapel of Our Lady of Penha, Castelo De Vide, visit to lakes situated in the National Park, last day visit to Lisbon: St Anthony's birthplace and Lisbon Cathedral; full retreat programme, daily Mass. Please secure your booking now, to make sure you get a place, email: lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com. For more information contact: David or Eileen 020 8542 2476.

LIFE GROUP

There will be a meeting of the Wimbledon & District LIFE Group at 8pm on Wednesday 14 March. For details of venue, please contact Christine Davis on 020 3602 9213.

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 5 March from 7.30-9.30pm.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips be collected again this weekend.

PARKING AT WIMBLEDON COLLEGE

Please note that parking at Wimbledon College is suspended this weekend due to the adverse weather.

STATIONS 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).

Announcements

CARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The SH Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting in the church on Monday 5 March for prayer, praise and worship, from 7.30-9pm. The second part of the talk on 'Seven deadly sins and Seven Virtues' is scheduled. All are welcome!

LENTEN TALKS 2018

We are very sorry that last Thursday's talk had to be cancelled due to adverse weather. You are invited to come to the next Lenten Talk on Thursday 8 March when Edward and John de Quay from the Environmental Conversion Group will speak about Pope Francis' 'Laudato Si' - *On Care for our Common Home*. 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. Talks begin at

7.30pm and take place in the Upper Hall, light supper will be served from 7pm before each talk (further dates 15 & 22 March). Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

R.C.I.A.

Members of our parish celebrated the Rite of Election at the Cathedral on 17 February. During the 5pm Mass for the next three Sundays, they will receive a special anointing and blessing as part of their final preparation. Gayle, Simon and Suzanna will be received into full communion of the Catholic Church at Easter. Dawn, Jonathan, Russell, Stephen and Warwick will be received into the Catholic Church at Pentecost, May 20th. Let us keep them all in our prayers!

A CALL TO MARRIED COUPLES

There are still some places left for a 'Lifetime of Loving' - a celebration of your marriage,

a day in which married couples can explore their relationship more deeply and gain valuable insights into their communication and the call of the Church to be married. Saturday 10 March 9.45am-4.30pm (£25/couple - suggested donation). Holy Cross School, New Malden, booking essential, philandmary@blueyonder.co.uk or 020 8651 2477.

VOLUNTEER FUNDRAISING CO-ORDINATOR

We are looking for someone who would be willing to co-ordinate a series of fundraising events to be held over the next two years to raise funds for repairs to the church. The task is to ensure that events don't clash and those aimed at a particular audience, e.g. young families, are spread evenly through the period. If you think you can help, please contact Julian Burling at julian.burling@yahoo.com.

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 Thursday 8 March from 7.30-

9pm when Mariko Lavender-Jones, a Yoga teacher for people with cancer, will talk about yoga and how it can help you to manage stress. She will give a demonstration on posture and a few exercises while sitting that can

help with breathing and circulation. 30/32 Worple Road, SW19 4EF; 07948 767 936, wcfg@live.co.uk

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Please note that there will be **no** meditation meetings until further notice.

Social, Cultural & Notices

EDGE HILL PLAYERS
The Edge Hill Players are planning their next production which will be the musical 'Anything Goes', to be directed by Marie-Claire Lindsay. Provisional performance dates are for the middle of September 2018. In the meantime, there will be 2 opportunities to find out more about the show - a workshop on Tuesday 13 March from 7.30-10pm and a singing and dancing audition on Sunday 18 March from 2.30-5.00pm. Both events will take place in the Parish Upper Hall. All are very welcome. For more info please contact Marie-Claire: marie-claire.lindsay@gmail.com / 07961 445 001.

THAMES PHILH. CHOIR
Saturday 10 March 7.30pm, Cadogan Hall, Sloane Terrace, SW1X 9DO: Bernstein Chichester Psalms, Mozart Requiem, Barber Adagio for Strings. Tickets from £12-28 via www.cadoganhall.com or 020 7730 4500 (booking fees apply).

IT CLINICS
The *Generations Together IT Clinics* sessions continue at

the UHS on Fridays 9, 16 & 23 March. Knowledgeable girls provide excellent mobile phone and computer tuition. All grades welcome; no charge (booking: Sheila Gent 020 8390 0119).

CEAD MILE FAILTE
St Patrick's Irish Night on Saturday 17 March  from 7.30-10.30pm; wear something green & bring your dancing shoes! Tickets £15 (includes Irish Supper, licensed bar, raffle & superb live entertainment) from the Presbytery (020 8964 0305) or email williamrhind@hotmail.com, louise@ginghamhearts.plus.com.

MUSICAL MEDITATION
A musical meditation for Lent and Passiontide: Tuesday 20 March at 7.30pm in the church. David Gammie plays 'Job' by Petr Eben, with bible readings by Dr William Griffiths. Admission free.

LES MISERABLES
Wimbledon College's production of 'Les Misérables', featuring a cast from the College and the Ursuline High School, will take place on March 21,

22 & 23 at 7.30pm in the College Hall. Prices £8 (adults) and £5 (under-18s). Tickets available from the school website (www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk) or box office (020 8879 9323).

THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS
Elgar's finest choral masterpiece will be performed on Saturday 9 June in the church. Early bird tickets are available on www.sacredheartmusic.co.uk

You can still register to join the chorus via the SH Music website. Rehearsals will be on Mondays from 7.30-10pm in the church, starting on 5 March.

VACANCIES
Wimbledon College is looking for a temporary Finance Assistant, to work 4hrs/day in summer term 2018, an application form & info can be downloaded from www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk

Ursuline Preparatory School is requiring a FT Year 3 Teacher for September 2018. For full information & application form please visit www.ursulineprep.org

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.

MOZART & HAYDN
Wimbledon's Academy Choir & the London Mozart Players in concert: Mozart's Symphony No. 41 ('Jupiter'), Mass in C Minor and Haydn's Te Deum in C; Conductor: Matthew Best. Saturday 24 March 7.30pm, St John's Church, Spencer Hill, SW19 4NZ (tickets £15-£25, students £10/£5 www.academychoirwimbledon.co.uk or 0333 666 3366, £1.50 booking fee).

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! (Mrs Cheryl Eysel, director of Admissions, admissions@marymountlondon.com 020 8949 0571 George Rd, KT2 7PE).

STONYHURST
John Browne, Headmaster at Stonyhurst College - the oldest Jesuit school in the world, is hosting a reception in London and would like to invite prospective parents to come and find out more about the work they are doing. Tuesday 20 March at 7pm, East India Club, 16 St James's Square, London SW1Y 4LH, please RSVP by email rsvp@stonyhurst.ac.uk

Exploring our Faith

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT
Two retreats run by Marian Fathers: Saturday 10 March 11am-4.30pm Church of Our Lady and St Joseph, 100a Balls Pond Road, Kingsland, London N1 4AG and Sunday 11 March 2.30-6pm at St Mary Magdalen Church, Howson Road, Brockley, London, SE4 2BB; for more info please contact Divine

Mercy Apostolate, 020 8998 0925; or info@divinemercy.org.uk.

SPIRITUALITY & ECOLOGY
You are invited to a lecture by Ursula King, Professor Emerita of Theology and Religious Studies, on 'Spirituality and Ecology in an Evolutionary World - living the New Story with Teilhard de Chardin and Thomas Berry' on

Thu 15 March from 7-9pm at The Barn, 24 Greencoat Place, SW1P 1RD, please visit www.silenceinthecity.org.uk for booking.

A DAY WITH MARY
A day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Saturday 17 March from 9.45am-5pm at St John Fisher Church, SW20 9DB; www.adaywithmary.org

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Canon T Nwokeji 11.15am Fr T Nwokeji
 8.15am Fr M Barnes SJ 12.45pm Canon J Clark
 8.30am* Fr Kinga SJ 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 3 6.30pm Stephan Slattery RIP
 Mon 5 7.30am David & Lorenza Boyce RIP
 10.00am Mr & Mrs Joseph RIP
 1.00pm Funeral Mass for Carine French
 6.30pm Michael Wiggins RIP
 Tue 6 7.30am John Molloy RIP
 10.00am Mark Fudakowski RIP
 6.30pm Peter Curzon Ints.
 Wed 7 7.30am John O'Neill & Family Ints.
 10.00am Christy Joseph RIP
 6.30pm Jack Hannigan RIP
 Thu 8 7.30am Elizabeth & Patrick Howlin RIP
 10.00am Ophilda de Souza RIP
 11.30am Funeral Mass for Bridget Maher
 6.30pm Alex & Annabella Fernandez Ints.
 Fri 9 7.30am Teresa McLaughlin RIP
 10.00am Sr Elizabeth Ints.
 6.30pm Maggie Davis RIP
 Sat 10 7.30am Sisters of Marie Reparatrice Ints.
 10.00am Kitty Francis RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Mary Louise Nolan, Kitty Finnegan, Jeremy Broadhurst, Kate Ogonovsky, Annette Wise, Bridget Maher, Carine French, Marlene Hughes

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joy Thimont, Maureen Denney, Michael Wiggins, Robert Deith, George McPartlin, Roland Randall, Cecilia Vaz, Eugene Byrne

The sick: Ann Oliver, Simon Hull, William North, Len Hay, John Rothwell, 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, Mary Reynolds, Richard Conceicao, Eddie Power, Fr Michael O'Halloran SJ, Linda Day, Fr Phelim McGowan SJ, Tom Searle, Sandra Broadbent, Daphne Minas, Gabriel Godfrey, Sr Charmaine, Yvonna Patton, Giena Worth, Ronnie Bradnick, Alexander Skachkov, Frank Micetich, Roberto Luigi Farina, 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 £895 in loose plate giving and £637 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £1,532. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

The second collection in support of CAFOD raised £2,846, thank you for your donations.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 7 March Ss Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs
Thursday 8 March St John of God, Religious
Friday 9 March St Francis of Rome, Religious

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 in 3 parts (K,S,A), William Byrd

Nolo mortem peccatoris, Thomas Morley

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.