



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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## Newsletter

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### Fourth Sunday of Easter

### Weekday readings for 4th Week of Easter

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### Next Sunday's Readings

- Acts 9:26-31
- Ps 21:26-28. 30-32. R.v26
- I John 3:18-24
- John 15:1-8

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## World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Last Sunday we woke up at the news of the strike on Syria. We may have thought a war was imminent and we may have felt gloomy about the world future.

The gospel today tells us we need not fear. A good shepherd will lead us through difficult times: Jesus Christ. He leads us not for personal gain, but because he loves us and knows us. And this is mutual: the good shepherd loves the sheep and the sheep love him.

You may ask, how about those who do not recognise Jesus as their good shepherd and decide not to follow him? Well, the gospel tells us Jesus' mission is to love and lead the sheep who are not of his fold. No

'Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and through prayer can they persevere and bear fruit.' Pope Francis

### Prayer for Vocations

**LORD OF THE HARVEST,**  
BLESS young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call. Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things.

**INSPIRE** all of your disciples to mutual love and giving - for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people.

**INSTILL** those in religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you.

**UNITE** us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace.  
Amen.

one is out of the reach of Jesus' love. And, as the psalmist says, if the Lord is my shepherd, what shall I fear?

Traditionally the Church has seen Christ the Good Shepherd as the model for priests. Today, in particular we are invited to pray for priestly vocations: for those already ordained that they may imitate the Good Shepherd in their lives; for seminarians (embryo priests, as I have once been referred to) that they may persevere. Last, but not least, we are encouraged to pray that God may call many to priesthood and give them the courage to respond to his calling.

Giovanni Prandini

### 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

This Sunday, 22 April, the second collection will be in support of Ecclesiastical Education, a collection that helps to meet costs of training students for the permanent diaconate and students for the priesthood. Thank you for your support!

## PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD

There is a 1-day pilgrimage to the Priory in Aylesford, Kent, in honor of Edel Quinn, Legion of Mary, on Saturday 5 May by coach (from Polka Theatre, Wimbledon, at 8.30am, St John Fisher Church, Cannon Hill at 8.45am, return by 5-6pm at the pick up point), £13 pp/£12 per child. Please contact Irene Griffiths on 07733 420 837 for info & coach reservation.

## MARCH FOR LIFE

March for Life, Saturday 5 May. Family, friendly life-fest starts at 9.30am at De Vere Connaught Rooms, 61-65, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5DA. Children Zone, music, workshops, confessions, stalls, and much more. 1pm march to Parliament Square for speakers, including Clare McCullough of the *GoodCounselNetwork*. The day ends at 4.15pm. See [www.marchforlife.co.uk](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk) for more details.

## JESUIT MISSIONS

The latest issue of 'On the Edge', JM's regular bulletin, is available at the back of the church informing about their marathon runners from Malta. JM would like to ask you to keep all their 30 runners in your prayers as they take on the London Marathon this Sunday.

## Parish News

### AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 23 April from 6-8pm. Canon John is available to see anyone who calls in to the Presbytery. If you wish to talk about any matter, please do come along.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again next weekend 28/29 April.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We urgently need volunteers to help out in the Parish

Reception on Thursday mornings and/or afternoons. Please contact Thelma D'Costa in the Parish Office (020 8946 0305) if you can spare a few hours to help.

## Announcements

### CHURCH REPAIR FUND APPEAL

At the end of each Mass celebrated in the church this weekend, Julian Burling will briefly address the congregation, inviting parishioners to attend the exhibition/display in the Lower Hall next weekend 28/29 April, opening the church repair fund appeal.

### SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

A signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated this Sunday 22 April March at 4pm in

the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

### SPECIAL MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES

If you are celebrating your 1<sup>st</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup>+ wedding anniversary this year and would like to attend a special Mass in celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, on Saturday 16 June at 3pm (where you can renew your vows), please write your names & address on the form available at the back of the

church before the 7 May. You will then receive an invitation from the Archbishop. You can also bring your immediate family. More details from Office for Marriage on 020 8651 2477 or email [marriage2014@virginmedia.com](mailto:marriage2014@virginmedia.com)

### CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Do come and have a chat with other parishioners over a delicious breakfast next Sunday 29 April after 8.15am Mass until 12 noon in the Lower Hall.

## Parish Organisations

### TRADCRAFT

Traidcraft goods will be on sale this Sunday morning - lots of different coffees and teas to choose from, plus all the usual groceries and cards and gifts. Please support the efforts of those who need a fair price for their products.

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Dates for your diaries:  
Outing to Hever Castle on Friday 4 May, leaving at 10.30am and returning at around 4.30pm. Please contact Judy Ruston on 020 8947 1658 to book, or for further details of the visit and cost. All welcome.  
Friday 1 June at 12.30pm: Summer Lunch to celebrate

the Royal Wedding. Tickets £15. All details from Judy Ruston. Tickets will also be sold outside Masses on the 20 & 27 May as well as some weekday 10am Masses.

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

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Bereavement Support. On Saturday 28 April from 10.30-11.30am, in the Parish Lounge. The Bereavement Team invite everyone experiencing loss in their lives, no matter how long ago, to drop in for a coffee and a chat. We offer you a warm welcome. Grief is a particularly isolating experience especially as we begin to make plans for the summer. It can affect all aspects of your life, physically, emotionally and socially. For more information call 020 8946 5198 or see the website.

## Social, Cultural & Notices

### YOUNG ADULTS EVENING

There will be a Young Adults Evening on Friday 27 April. This will follow the usual Mass, supper and pub format! Please email [cat\\_porter@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cat_porter@hotmail.co.uk) if you can come, for more details and for catering purposes. We look forward to seeing you then.

### QUIZ NIGHT

On Sat 28 April there will be a quiz night in aid of Depaul UK, a charity which seeks to offer homeless and disadvantaged youngsters aged 16-25 the opportunity to fulfill their potential and move towards an independent and positive future. Christ the King Church Hall, 9 Crescent Gdns, SW19 8AJ; doors open at 6.45pm, tickets are £7.50 each; for more info & for tickets call Alicia/Julia on 020 8543 1063 or email [alicia.holliday@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:alicia.holliday@blueyonder.co.uk)

### 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](http://www.sacredheartmusic.co.uk)

If you are able to support the choir by advertising your firm in the concert programme, please contact Sheena for detailed information ([sheena.macd@btinternet.com](mailto:sheena.macd@btinternet.com)).

### HOLY CROSS PREP SCHOOL

Holy Cross Preparatory School, Kingston, are requiring a FT permanent Head of Pre-Prep & Early Years and Class Teacher, for September 2018. For further details please visit their website [www.holycrossprep.co.uk](http://www.holycrossprep.co.uk) or contact Sophie Castle on 020 8942 0729. Closing date 26 April.

### HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

The Holy Cross School is in the process of recruiting for a Deputy Headteacher for September 2018. Any interested candidates should visit the school website for further info about the role and how to apply: [www.holycross.kingston.sch.uk](http://www.holycross.kingston.sch.uk).

### CATHOLIC HISTORY WALK

You are invited to a Catholic History walk on Monday 23 April 6pm on 'Lift up your heads, O Gates!' (St George's Day Special). 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](http://www.catholichistorywalks.com) for more info.

### 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.

### ST JOHN'S SEMINARY - WONERSH

Can you help? The Seminary near Guildford (which has been involved in the formation of priests for over 125 yrs) is looking for some help with the cost of re-decoration & refurbishment of 30 of its bedrooms, which have received little or no upgrading for 40+ yrs. Many rooms have threadbare or no carpets, and curtains which are close to disintegration. Some of the beds and other furniture started their life in the Junior Seminary at Mark Cross, Sussex which closed in 1970. The Seminary operates on a very tight budget, and there are no funds available for this much needed work, which would cost in the region of £2,000 per room. If you can help in any way, please send a cheque made payable to St John's Seminary to Mgr Gerry Ewing (Vice-Rector), St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford, Surrey GU5 0QX.

## Exploring our Faith

### LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT

The Love Heals Body Mind and Spirit Ministry Welcome you to come on a 1-day retreat of quiet reflection on Saturday 28 April 11am - 5pm, the Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR. Rosary, traditional Latin Mass (Celebrant: Fr Mark Elliot-Smith), lunch break (please bring your own), talk, Catholic Christian Meditation, Blessed Adoration, individual healing prayers; enquiries: Eileen & David Brum 020 8542 2476 [www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com](http://www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com)

### A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to a Day with Mary on Saturday 5 May starting at 9.45am until 5.30pm at Westminster Cathedral, SW1P 1QW. For more details please visit [www adaywithmary.org](http://www adaywithmary.org)

### PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Lisieux, Paris, Nevers, Rocamadour and Montligeon by luxury coach from 26 May to 3 June for £769 organised by Richarde Mozzi, for further info and booking please call 020 8472 0843 or 07859 027 301.

### DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE

The Marian Fathers are holding their 17th Divine Mercy Conference on Saturday 16 June at Our Lady Mother of the Church, 2 Windsor Rd, Ealing W5 5PD from 10.30am - 6pm. The Guest Speaker is Sr Briege McKenna, OSC, who has an Intl. Ministry for Healing. The conference will include Holy Mass presided by Rt Rev Bishop Paul Hendricks. For tickets (£10 donation) & info contact: Divine Mercy Apostolate - Marian Fathers: 020 8998 0925 or [info@divinemercy.org.uk](mailto:info@divinemercy.org.uk)

### CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

\* SH School Mass Centre

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 21 6.30pm Mr & Mrs Philip Maguire RIP  
Mon 23 7.30am Tessie Cleere RIP  
10.00am Funeral Mass for Sheila Gallagher  
6.30pm Jerzy Owoc RIP  
Tue 24 7.30am The Bartley Family Ints.  
10.00am Mona Powdereley RIP  
6.30pm Michael Maidment RIP  
Wed 25 7.30am May McGloin RIP  
10.00am Luisa Derx RIP  
11.00am Funeral Mass for Carolyn Closs RIP  
6.30pm Our Lady Queen of Peace  
Thu 26 7.30am Diana & Livio Ferrari RIP  
10.00am Funeral Mass for Carmel Simmons  
6.30pm Anthony McColl RIP  
Fri 27 7.30am Anthony & Maggie Kane 50th Anniv.  
10.00am Anselm & Althea Benedict Ints.  
6.30pm Jane Lynch RIP  
Sat 28 7.30am Dorothy Nichols RIP  
10.00am Dr Joe Fernando RIP

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** Carolyn Closs, Carmel Simmons, Sheila Gallagher, Sr Patricia Vaulk DHM, David Foxley, Patricia Mitchell

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Maura Dennis, Olinda D'Souza, Robert Coll, Marianne Zeck, Vincent Conception, Margaret Hutchinson, Peter Ipekjian

**The sick:** Charlotte Bennett, Trinity Kerin, Mark Wardell, Marie-Jeanne Bheemul, Ann Oliver, Simon Hull, William North, Ernest Bonner, Bertha D'Costa, Oriel Kerr, 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 £1,430 in loose plate giving and £504 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £1,934. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

### FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

**Monday 23 April** St George, Martyr, Patron of England  
**Tuesday 24 April** Ss Justus and Mellitus, Bishops; St Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr; St Fidelis von Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr  
**Wednesday 25 April** St Mark, Evangelist  
**Saturday 28 April** St Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr

### 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 super 'Douce Mémoire' (K,S,A)*

Lassus

*Surrexit pastor bonus*, Lassus

### 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: [sacredheartwimbeldonppc@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartwimbeldonppc@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.