



THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Tel: 020 8946 0305
Email: wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk
Web: www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

Sacred Heart Presbytery
Edge Hill, Wimbledon
London, SW19 4LU

13th May 2018

Newsletter

Vol 4, Issue 18

**Seventh Sunday
of Easter**

**Weekday readings for
7th Week of Easter**

(B)

Vol I. psalter week 3

Next Sunday's Readings

- Acts 2:1-11
- Ps103:1.24. 29-31. 34. R.cf v30
- 1 John 4:11-16
- John 17:11-19

May Devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary

By tradition the month of May is dedicated to Mary the mother of Jesus. In years gone by we would have had a procession leading to the crowning of the statue of our Lady with a crown of flowers. There was usually great competitions to be the child who would do the crowning. Not only is it our Lady's month, it is the month of festivals as we celebrate the Ascension of



our Lord into Heaven, the feast of Pentecost and the gift of the Spirit,, Trinity, the feast of the very nature of the Godhead, and

Corpus Christi, the feast of the gift of the Holy Eucharist. With each of the feasts we are reminded of the place of Mary in the life of the early Church. Mary was there at His resurrection appearances. She was with the apostles as they waited the coming of the Holy Spirit. She is with us now as we celebrate the saving actions of Jesus .

Inside this issue:

May Devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary	1
Parish News	2
Announcements	2
Parish Organisations	2
Social, Cultural & Notices	3
Exploring our Faith	3
Mass times & Intentions	4

SACRED HEART CHURCH APPEAL

An appeal to fund necessary repairs and conservation work on our church, to be carried out over the next 2 years at an estimated total cost of £1.7m has now been launched. There is a display at the back of the church, next to the stairs to the choir gallery, explaining the need for the appeal. Please take time to look at it and take a leaflet. Please contribute as much as you are able. So far, generous contributions have raised over £11,000. If you have any ideas for fund-raising events or activities please contact Deacon Julian Burling, Chairman of the Appeal Fund Committee, at deaconjulianburling@gmail.com or by letter to the Presbytery.



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, 13 May, the Catholic Church celebrates *World Communication Day*, when we are asked to pray for those who work in the media (special prayer cards are available at the back of the church); the second collection will be in support of the work of the Catholic Communications Network (CCN), the media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The CCN seeks to be of service both to the Church and the world in offering professional channels of communication, and provides support in promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues. For more information please visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/wcd18> To read Pope Francis' message for WCD 2018 visit <http://ow.ly/HbZJ30iZqgu>

LOST PROPERTY

There are many items in our lost property box at the Presbytery: please do come & pick your lost property; things that are not collected until the end of the month will be donated to a local charity.

NEWMAN CIRCLE

Fr Geoff Wheaton SJ gave a superb talk with slides of selected contemporary religious art at this time last year and will be coming back to show us more examples from his amazing collection on Thursday 24 May at 7.30pm in the Lounge. All welcome!

JESUIT MISSIONS

The latest issue of 'On the Edge', JM's regular bulletin, is available at the back of the church, informing about how their team did at the London Marathon.

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 14 May from 6-8pm.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

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.

CARDS

Cards for Confirmation are available at the Presbytery Reception.

SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

A signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 27 May at 4pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

Announcements

CANON JOHN'S BIRTHDAY

Next Sunday 20 May, we will be celebrating Fr John's 70th birthday. We want the whole parish - every single one of us to join in and make it a day to remember. There will be a Celebratory Breakfast in the in the Lower Hall in the morning and a Grand Tea Party from 2-5pm in the Upper Hall. Please bring a plate of finger food to share in the afternoon. Father has asked for no presents, but he would love to have your company and to celebrate with you! We would need a few helping hands to organise the celebration and would be grateful to hear from you if you can spare

some time (sadiesmith3@talktalk.net).

R.C.I.A.

Next Sunday, Pentecost Sunday 20 May, Dawn Lynch will receive the Sacrament of Baptism and Warwick Ewer, Russell Davie, Jonathan Mutch, Stephen Rowntree and Safarah Singh will be received into full communion with the Church at 12.45pm Mass. Please keep all of them in your prayers at this special time.

PENTECOST NOVENA

We continue to pray the Pentecost Novena at each Mass starting on Friday 11 May up to Pentecost, Sunday 20 May, please take a Novena booklet at the back of the church and

join in preparing for this wonderful feast.

ACCOUNTS ASSISTANT - PART TIME

The Parish Finance Committee wishes to fill the post of an Accounts Assistant as soon as possible. As a part-time post, the holder will be able to work flexibly within office hours, in agreement with the Parish Priest. A copy of the job description and person specification can be obtained by email to wimparish@sacredheart.org.uk or downloaded from the parish website <https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/>

Parish Organisations

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 1 June at 12.30pm: The Wimbledon Cancer Summer Lunch to celebrate the Royal Wedding in the Upper Hall. £15. Booking essential. All welcome. For tickets and details call Judy Ruston on 020 8947 1658.

WCFG

The Wimbledon Cancer Friendship Group offers a listening ear to anyone affected by any cancer. This month's drop-in will be on Thursday 24 May 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

TRADCRAFT

Traidcraft this Sunday will have lots of choice of coffee and tea, plus all the usual groceries, cards and household items - please continue to support those who need a fair price for their work in the developing world.

Social, Cultural & Notices

THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS

The SH Concert Chorus will perform Elgar's finest choral masterpiece *The Dream of Gerontius*, conducted by Bob Rathbone, on Saturday 9 June in the church with John Upperton as Gerontius, Alison Wells as the Angel and Michael Bundy, Angel of Agony, Wimbledon Youth Chorus (director Max Barley). Tickets (£15, concessions

£10, FT students £5) via website 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 info: sheenamacd@btinternet.com

WIMBLEDON COLLEGE

Applications warmly welcomed for Deputy Site Supervisor/handyman at Wimbledon College, please contact the Facilities Manager on 020

8879 9318 or see www.wimbledoncollege.org about us/ job opportunities for more details, closing date 21 May.

CHARITY MATINEE

Wimbledon High School for Girls & the Jigsaw Player's Concert Series will perform at a Charity Matinee in support of *Alzheimer's Research UK* organised by Kew House Care Homes on Wed 23 May from 2.45-4.15pm in the Upper Hall; for tickets, contact Georgina on 020 8971 0190.

Exploring our Faith

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The SH Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting in the Youth Room on Monday 14 May from 7.30-9.15pm for prayer, praise and worship; Kate Moir who leads the Westminster charismatic prayer group, will be giving a talk on 'The Great Commission of Jesus Christ for a New World Order'. All are welcome! Any queries please contact Audra: 07958 782 779 or audra.wamsteker@gmail.com

A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to a Day with Mary on Sunday 20 May starting at 11.40am until 6pm at the Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham, the National Shrine of England, NR22 6AL. For more details please visit www adaywithmary.org

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE

The Marian Fathers are holding their 17th Divine Mercy Conference on Sat 16 June at Our Lady Mother of the Church, Ealing W5 5PD from 10.30am - 6pm. The

Guest Speaker is Sr Briege McKenna, OSC, who has an Intl. Ministry for Healing. 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@divinemercury.org.uk.

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

Invites you to a 1-day workshop on 'Preparing to respond to the Holy Spirit' facilitated by Michael Smith SJ on Saturday 19 May from 11am-4pm. For booking please visit www.pathwaystogod.org or call 020 7495 1673 (suggested donation £30), 114 Mount Street, W1K 3AH.

ADOREMUS

There will be a National Youth Congress 'I am the Bread of Life', held in Liverpool on Saturday 8 September. The Congress aims to give young people a positive experience of being a young Catholic today, to help them experience how God speaks to them through

the celebration of the Eucharist, to help them to live the Eucharist through witness, proclamation, care for the broken in society and love for the planet. The Congress is aimed at those 13-20 years of age; for more information and booking please visit www.adoremusyouth.co.uk.

SHRINE OF ST JUDE

The Carmelites at the National Shrine of St Jude in Faversham (Kent ME13 7JW) would like to invite you to their Summer Celebration on Saturday 26 May, starting at 11am with devotions and anointing, followed by a picnic on the grounds (bring your own food), open air Mass and St Jude Procession. For more info please visit www.tinyurl/SCJude2018.

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

'A Day with Mary' organise a pilgrimage to Fatima from 8-14 June, for full details and booking please visit www adaywithmary.org or call 020 8641 6418.

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.

FAITH IN ACTION

Faith in Action Merton Homelessness Project would like to thank everyone who contributes funding and items needed by their service users, including old mobiles and chargers, oyster cards with £5 credit, and cans of meat or fish with a ring-pull opening. There is a continuing need for men's boxer shorts (M).

Trustees needed: do you have experience in finance, communications, fundraising, human resources, or the law? Would you like to be part of a team providing life-changing support, information and assistance for local people who are homeless or vulnerably housed? *FIA* are looking for trustees from local communities with time and energy to devote to their work. For further info about any issues, including the time commitment needed, please contact Mel Angel chair@mertonfaithinaction.org or visit www.mertonfaithinaction.org

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 12 6.30pm Breda Croke Ints.
Mon 14 7.30am David & Lorenza Boyce RIP
10.00am Anton Benedict RIP
6.30pm Rapose Family Ints.
Tue 15 7.30am Special Intention
10.00am Janko Zarkovic RIP
6.30pm Gabriel Godfrey & Family Ints.
Wed 16 7.30am Des Brown RIP
10.00am P.J. Power RIP
6.30pm Eileen Healy RIP
Thu 17 7.30am Joe O'Connor RIP
10.00am Funeral Mass for David Foxley
6.30pm Patsy Lelliott RIP
Fri 18 7.30am Sean O'Sullivan RIP
10.00am Rose Paton RIP
6.30pm Anne Dubois RIP
Sat 19 7.30am Patrick Howlin RIP
10.00am Karimu & Sheila Smith RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Peter Tolley, Roy Walker, David Foxley, Alexander Skachkov
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joan Morton, Sheila Smith
The sick: Michael Powell, Susan O'Grady, Eileen Dooley, Charlotte Bennett, Trinity Kerin, Mark Wardell, Marie-Jeanne Bheemul, Ann Oliver, Simon Hull, William North, Ernest Bonner, Bertha D'Costa, Oriell Kerr, Carol Donnelly, Richard Hurst, Horace D'Cruz, 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, 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 £1,887 in loose plate giving and £431 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,318. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

If you change your address or if your tax status changes could you please notify the Parish Office.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Monday 14 May St Matthias, Apostle
Wednesday 16 May St Simon Stock, Priest, Memorial
Friday 18 May St John I, Pope and Martyr
Saturday 19 May St Dunstan, 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

Mass of St Joseph, Flor Peters

Ascendit Deus, Peter Philips

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.