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Newsletter

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**Thirteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

**Weekday readings for
13th Week in Ordinary Time
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Next Sunday's Readings

- Ezekiel 2:2-5
- Psalm 122:2. R.v2
- 2 Corinthians 12:7-10
- Mark 6:1-6

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Confirmation 2018

At Sacred Heart parish this year we have assisted hundred young people preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, requiring two Masses.

75 candidates and their families celebrated their Confirmation on Saturday 30 June.

Another 25 candidates and their families will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 8 July as part of our usual 5pm Mass. (N.B. Mass will be more crowded than usual and will take approximately 20-30 minutes longer).

This year's preparation process involved young people sitting together with their parents and sharing their reflections



on the varied input on video, testimonies from teens and young adults in the parish and some teaching from Fr Ted. This method helped to respect and empower parents in their role as the first and best teachers in the way of faith. It also brings out more clearly the way in which the Sacrament of Confirmation completes Baptism, at which time parents committed to raise their children in the practice of the faith.

So far there has been positive feedback about the enhanced role of parents in the faith formation of young people. Parents have indicated this approach has created time and space to have meaningful conversations with their children about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ, that can easily be overlooked in the business of everyday life.

Please keep in prayer our young people that they may be open to the role of the Holy Spirit in their lives so that they may assume their identity as disciples and witnesses to Jesus Christ both in the Church and in the world.

David Wills

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark MA

Parish Clergy: Fr Thaddeus Nwokeji and Deacon Julian Burling

Also Resident: Canon Elias Vojtech

Team Members: Sr Francis SSA, Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU and Cristina Connolly

Catechetical Co-Ordinator: David Wills

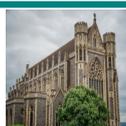
SECOND COLLECTION

Next Sunday 8 July, the second collection will be for AoS, *Apostleship of the Sea*, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It provides practical and pastoral care to all seafarers regardless of nationality, belief or race. It is dependent on voluntary donations.

For more information about the work of AoS please visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk. Special cards with a prayer to Our Lady, Star of the Sea are available at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity towards this good cause.

CHURCH APPEAL

The appeal to fund necessary repairs & conservation work on our church, to be carried out over the next 2 years at an estimated cost of £1.7m, has been launched. Please have a look at the display at the back of the church, explaining the need and take a leaflet. So far, generous contributions have raised over £45,000. 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. Nine year-old parishioner Max Brazier will be undertaking a sponsored ascent of Snowdon in support of the appeal - see https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/max-brazier?utm_id=63. We thank him for his support, wish him benign weather, good views and an enjoyable & inspiring first personal ascent of that beautiful mountain.



Parish News

AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 2 July from 7.30-9pm.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

VOLUNTEERS

We would need more people to join the list of those prepared to serve refreshments after Parish spiritual, social and fund-raising events. If you can help

on a regular or occasional basis, please give your contact details to wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk or call the Parish Office on 020 8946 0305.

Announcements

FIRST HOLY

COMMUNION 2018-19

Registration for next year's programme of preparation will commence from July. It will be done online, follow the link on the *Faith and Sacraments* section of the parish website. The parish is moving to a more family-based, parent-led process, therefore we are offering some information meetings for parents to learn more about why we are adopting this process and how it will work. You are invited to attend one of the following times: Thursday 12 July 7.45pm OR Sunday 15 July 11.15am (Upper Hall). If you are unable to attend one of those meetings, we will repeat the info-meeting in early September (provisionally 6th at 7.45pm and 9th 11.15am).

OUTDOOR MASS

All parishioners are welcome to come to the annual Mitcham Outdoor Mass, which will be held on the Cricket Green, Mitcham (CR4 3DA), today, 1 July at 3.30pm. The tradition of holding a public procession and Mass has been established for very many years and is a wonderful way for us to publicly proclaim our faith.

ICON PAINTING

There will be a presentation and workshop on icon-painting techniques accompanied by a sale of icons, hand-made souvenirs etc. by the Sisters from the St Elisabeth Convent, Belarus, on Tuesday 3 July in the Upper Hall from 12 noon-5.30pm.

EVANGELISATION GROUP

The Evangelisation Group will meet on Saturday 7 July from 10.30 to midday in the Parish Lounge. Everyone welcome. Come and discuss the Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress taking place the first weekend in September in Liverpool.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

SH Charismatic Prayer Group will meet in the Youth Room for an evening of prayer, praise and worship on Monday 2 July from 7.30-9.15pm. Tony Boyce from the Westminster charismatic prayer group will be giving a talk on 'Being Real'. All are welcome, refreshments will be served. Any enquiries contact Audra (07958 782 779).

Parish Organisations

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 6 July at 2.30 in the Lounge: Wimbledon Tennis, Pimms and Strawberry Tea. All welcome!

WCFG

The Wimbledon Cancer Friendship Group is looking for new volunteers to help run this small group. The group meets twice a month and the volunteers have a rota for these, so they can

see which sessions they can attend. The requirements needed by the volunteer is to have been affected by cancer, either personally or as a carer, family member or friend and to be an empathetic listener. Training is given in listening and responding by Macmillan. Please ring or email us and have an informal chat to find out more about the role.

The next evening meeting is on Thursday 12 July from 7.30-9pm: WCFG is holding their Summer Party for their visitors, please let them know if you plan to come. 07948 767 936, wcfg@live.co.uk; Wimbledon Guild, 30/32 Worple Road, SW19 4EF. This month's informal drop-in will be on Thursday 26 July between 3.15-4.30pm

Social, Cultural & Notices

SH PARISH WEEKEND

Our Parish weekend organised by Wimbledon Catenians & the Social Club continues today, 1 July, from 9am: we will be serving breakfast, lunch and afternoon tea after all Masses. All proceeds/donations will go to the SH Church Appeal.

PIANO RECITAL

There will be a Piano Recital in aid of the appeal for repairs to the Sacred Heart Church on Thursday 5 July at 7.45pm featuring colourful music of Claude Debussy (Images I, Images II and Prélude I), soloist HyeKyung Lee (professor of piano at Chung-Ang University, Seoul). Admission free, retiring collection.

SUPPER FOR WIDOWERS

All men who have lost their wives are invited to a BBQ in the Parish Lounge on Friday 6 July at 7.30pm. For more details please contact Sadie Smith 020 8946 5198 sadie.smith3@talktalk.net Come and meet other men like yourself who has lost a loved one – however long ago.

WIMBLEDON COLLEGE

An Admin Assistant, term time only, is required from September at Wimbledon College, please see website www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk (about us/job opportunities) for details.

PRINCESS IDA

Malden Community Choir & soloists will perform Gilbert and Sullivan's 'Princess Ida' in a semi-staged production on Wednesday 11 July at 7.30pm. Tickets, including refreshments are £10 from the Malden Centre or from Celia Cviic 020 8946 6528 celiacviic@btinternet.com.

EDGE HILL PLAYERS

The Edge Hill Players' next pantomime will be *Cinderella* with performances on Saturdays 26 January and 2 February 2019. We are holding auditions in the Upper Hall for children in Year 6 and below, before the summer holidays, so that we can be sure there are enough parts for everyone: Friday 13 July at 4.30pm & 5.30pm and again

on Wednesday 18 July at 4.30pm & 5.30pm. The children will be asked whether they would like to act/sing/dance, with any combination being possible. We will be doing warm up exercises and working on the stage as well. Parents are welcome to stay if they wish. Other auditions will be held towards the end of September.

LIFE

There will be an important meeting of the LIFE group on Wednesday 11 July at 8pm in Morden to decide on the future status of the group. For venue and other info please contact Christine on 020 3602 9213 or teeceeedee@live.co.uk

NATURE TRAIL

Parish nature trail on Wimbledon Common on Tuesday 24 July. Meet at 6.30pm outside the Windmill café. Contact Alison Lobo radar1972@hotmail.com, 07711 583 414 or Sarah Tobin sarah.tobin@btconnect.com All welcome!

New to the Parish?

Please introduce yourself to a member of the Parish Team after Mass and register online at <https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/> or by filling in a registration form, available at the back of the church.

BOOKS FROM THE ESTATE OF THE LATE JOHN MILWARD

One of our parishioners has acquired the book collection of the late John Milward and his family and wishes to distribute it sympathetically. It is an eclectic and impressive collection of some 3000 plus books. Key categories are the classics, history and religious. After all Masses on Sunday 15 July (including after the 6.30pm on Sat 14 July) and in the Lower Hall the religious books, numbering 400 plus, will be laid out for parishioners to peruse. Books will be available in return for a sensible contribution to the Sacred Heart Capital Fund for the maintenance of the Church. In respect of the other books they remain in the Milward house for the moment. Interest has been expressed by two universities and a number of individuals. If any parishioner has a particular interest, please contact Mr John Simmonds on 07950 678 937.

Exploring our Faith



RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

'Why become a Catholic?' Have you ever asked yourself this question? Perhaps you'll find the answers in the Rite of Christian Initiation. Weekly meetings are held on Mondays from 8-9pm. The sessions will resume on September 10th. If you are

interested or have queries, do get in touch with Canon John or Sr. Dorothy on wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk, dorothy.perrott@aol.com or call 020 8946 0305.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 17-21 September 2018. £649.00 p/p sharing. Price includes flights from/to LGW,

transfers, 4 nights in Knock House Hotel (1/2 board), all entertainment, excursions & guided tours. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175 557 (email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.)

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 30 6.30pm Patricia Ryan RIP
Mon 2 7.30am David & Lorenza Boyce RIP
10.00am Mr & Mrs Philip Maguire Ints.
6.30pm Kazimiera Owoc RIP
Tue 3 7.30am Tosca Kneen RIP
10.00am Annette Wise RIP
6.30pm Christopher Cooper RIP
Wed 4 7.30am Mr Rawal RIP
10.00am Jim Brown RIP
11.30am Funeral Mass for Ernest Bonner
6.30pm Dessie & Peggy Hegarty RIP
Thu 5 7.30am Josephine Conan Ints.
10.00am James Mulcahy RIP
6.30pm Derek White RIP
Fri 6 7.30am Philomena McGrath RIP
10.00am Funeral Mass Elisabeth Carbery
6.30pm Crescencja Mga Che Ints.
Sat 7 7.30am Achud Che Mathias RIP
10.00am Alex & Annabella Fernandes Ints.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Maurice Mealim, Sheila Johnstone, Frances Clarke, Ernest Bonner, Elisabeth Carbery

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: George Minas, Joan Matthews, Roland Hill, Irene de Villiers, Mary Portanier, Paul Bromfield, Alberto Mendizabal

The sick: Trinity Kerin, Roberto Farina, Oriel Kerr, Damji Vadhia, Simon Hull, Doug Cusack, Noel Smith, Lalita Nagar, Cath O'Neill, Andrew Tan, Horace D'Cruz, Paul Helm, Bertha D'Costa, Tom Searle, John Burke-Gaffney, Donald Derx, Margaret Lumley, Electa Almeida, Charlotte Bennett, Giena Worth, Brian Sewell

Please note that for data protection reasons, since the 25th of May people have to explicitly agree for their names to be mentioned in our newsletter. Please let the Parish Office know **in writing** if either your name or the names of your relatives and friends should appear in our NL sick list.



COLLECTIONS

Collection at Mass last Sunday came to £1,444 in loose plate giving and £514 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £1,954. 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

Tuesday 3 July St Thomas, Apostle

Wednesday 4 July St Elizabeth of Portugal

Thursday 5 July St Anthony Zaccaria, Priest

Friday 6 July St Maria Goretti, Virgin 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 in simplicitate, Jean Langlais

Ave Maria, Joseph Bonnet

Ave verum corpus, Marcel Dupré

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.