



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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## Newsletter

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**Twenty-fourth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

**Weekday readings for  
24th Week in Ordinary Time  
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**Vol III. psalter week 4**

### Next Sunday's Readings

- Book of Wisdom 2:12.17-20
- Psalm 53:3-6,8. Rv6
- Letter of St James 3:16-4:3
- Mark 9:30-37

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## Sacred Heart Church Appeal - Update

### SACRED HEART CHURCH APPEAL - SAVE OUR HERITAGE - UPDATE



Thanks to the generosity of parishioners the appeal fund now stands at over £60,000.

We had intended to carry out the initial phase of urgent works in the second half of this year, paid from our reserves. However, despite giving approval in June 2017 to progress the design works and seek tenders, the Diocesan Finance Committee in June 2018 would not agree for the works to proceed. This is because they have not yet resolved the transfer of the ownership of the church and presbytery from the Jesuits to the Diocese. For the same

reason the Diocese declined to authorise a bid for funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF). This is particularly disappointing because HLF rules for grants are changing and the amount of funding available next year will be less than hitherto.

Canon John has written to Bishop Hendricks to seek clarification of how and when the transfer of ownership is to be completed.

Despite these drawbacks we need to pursue the appeal target of £1.7

million with even greater vigour. Several people and groups are planning fund-raising events and we would encourage more to do so. Alison Lobo has kindly agreed to co-ordinate the programme so that events are spread out over a period of time and to avoid clashes. On the website, <https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/>, you can click 'Our Parish', 'Parish Appeal' for advice on how to proceed. Alison can be contacted at [fundraisingevents@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:fundraisingevents@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk).

For other queries concerning the appeal, please contact Deacon Julian Burling at [deaconjulianburling@gmail.com](mailto:deaconjulianburling@gmail.com)

### 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

Youth Minister: Eleanor Bowman Adult Faith Development Officer: Kelly Hockey

## SECOND COLLECTION

Today is Home Mission Sunday, the second collection will go towards 'Home Mission', a collection that provides the Bishops of England & Wales with resources to support the spread of the Gospel in our own country. The money collected enables a breadth of work to be done in support of parish evangelisation.

## BOOKS BEYOND WORDS

The parish is taking part in a pilot programme to set up a book club for adults with intellectual disabilities, so they can share their stories and experiences of life and faith, through books that use images, and which enable them to communicate and share. This will help the parish, in turn, to grow in awareness and friendship. We are looking for volunteers to run the Book Club and would particularly welcome:

- people from the parish young adults group, the youth groups or confirmation groups
  - anyone who might have skills in differentiated communication skills
  - anyone who was trained on the 'Counting EveryOne in' course run by the Southwark Diocese last year
  - people who are interested in building communities and in creative communication.
- Free training will be provided in Central London on 22 Sept. and *Books Beyond Words* will provide books and supervisory support. If you would like to volunteer or if you would like to join the club, or know someone who would like to join please write to [wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk) or call the Parish Office on 020 8946 0305. (<https://booksbeyondwords.co.uk/#/book-clubs/>)

## Parish News

### AT HOME

Please note that there will be no 'At Home' until further notice.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

### SIGNED & SPOKEN MASS

A signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated next Sunday 23 September in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

### CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Do come and have a chat with other parishioners over a delicious breakfast today 16 September after 8.15am Mass until 12 noon (Lower Hall).

## Announcements

### NEWMAN CIRCLE

'Spoken and unspoken words - my mother and I', 'I was 54 years old when I first learned that my mother was Jewish...' With these words, parishioner Dominique Dubois opens his talk concerning his mother, a former Jewish refugee from Vienna, and her family, on Thursday 20 September at 7.30pm in the Parish Lounge. All are welcome to this fascinating talk!

### SUMMER IN THE FOREST

Dignity, Mental Well-being and Disability: screening of 'Summer in the Forest' in collaboration with *Las Casas Institute*, Oxford and *L'Arche in the UK* on Thursday 20 September at 6.30pm: Public Reception including pre-show discussion & drinks from 5.30pm in The Exchange Conservatory (next to Twickenham mainline railway station). Speakers include: Jean Vanier (speaking

by video link), inspiring founder of *L'Arche* community in France, Kathleen Boyle, Francis Campbell, Richard Keagan-Bull, Amy Merone and Randall Wright. For more details and to book (£10, £5 film only) please visit [www.exchangetwickenham.co.uk](http://www.exchangetwickenham.co.uk), [inspire@stmarys.ac.uk](mailto:inspire@stmarys.ac.uk), call 020 8240 2399 or contact Kelly at the Parish Office.

## Parish Organisations

### WCFG

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 27 September from 3.15-4.30pm. (30/32 Worple Road, SW19 4EF, [wcfg@life.co.uk](mailto:wcfg@life.co.uk))

Please save the date for the *World's Biggest Coffee Morning* on Friday 28 September from 10am-12noon in the Parish Lounge. Donations of raffle prizes and cakes to sell would be very welcome!

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Movie time: Friday 5 October at 2.30pm in the Lounge: *High Society* (1956) with Bing

Crosby, Frank Sinatra and the lovely Grace Kelly. Ice cream in the interval and tea and cakes afterwards. All welcome.

### MEMORY LANE CLUB

Every Wednesday morning from 10.30am onwards to 12.30pm in the Parish Lounge. Open to everyone who suffers from memory loss/dementia and their carers. Refreshments, chat, bingo, snooker, music as well as various games and activities available - all in an informal, friendly and fun atmosphere. Contact: [edgehillmemorylaneclub@gmail.com](mailto:edgehillmemorylaneclub@gmail.com) or Jenny (07906 856 183), Charlotte (07714 702 735).

### MANNA SOCIETY

The Manna Centre at Melior Street supports the many homeless in that area with the opportunity to get food, clothing & 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.

### MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

The prayer group meets every Tuesday at 10.30am for approx. 1 hour. A simple set of formal prayers is used. This is an opportunity to pray in a committed way for children. Contact Polly Harrison for more info (07815 855 469).

## Social, Cultural & Notices

**ST FRANCIS RAMBLERS** a few meetings per year with St Francis Ramblers invite you to join them on their walk on Sunday 23 September. Meet at Wimbledon station concourse for a 10.30am start. Distance 10 miles with lunch stop (at The Windmill Tearooms, Wimbledon Common), finishing at Richmond station. Please call Paul on 07847 282 626 for more or visit <http://www.stfrancisramblers.ukwalkers.com>

**SEEKING PARISH REP**  
If you are interested in Christian ecumenism and learning about other faith groups in Merton, then please apply to be one of the Parish Reps. This will involve

**KITCHEN WORKER**  
Kitchen Worker needed at St Teresa's Home for The Elderly: 3-4 evenings/week 5pm - 8pm to serve prepared supper; please apply to Admin ([info@stteresashome.co.uk](mailto:info@stteresashome.co.uk) or 020 8879 7366 option 3).

**OPEN EVENINGS**  
Wimbledon College is holding an Open Evening for prospective pupils for admission in September 2019 on Thursday

27 September from 5.30 - 8.30pm. Deadline for applications for entry in September 2019 is 31 October 2018. Please see [www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk](http://www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk) for further information.

### OPEN EVENTS

Ursuline High School is holding open events on Wednesday 19 September from 6.30-8.30pm; on Monday 24 & Friday 28 September from 9-10.30am or 11am-12.30pm (for current year 6 students, by appointment only) and on Thursday 4 October from 5-8pm. For more information please visit <http://www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk/>

### 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.

### CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION



Children's Art Competition for the Sacred Heart Church Appeal: Saturday 29 September 9am-1pm. Children, please bring your artwork to the Lower Hall! Create an A4 size drawing, painting or collage on the theme 'Holiday' using paint, crayons, finger paint, colouring pencils etc.; age categories 4-6, 7-10, 11-14; £5 entry fee/artwork.

### WORDS OF THANKS

Oriel and Louis Kerr would like to express their sincere gratitude and appreciation to all those who supported them with prayers & encouragement that gave them hope in difficult times.

### REQUIRED URGENTLY

3 months let of 2 bedroom furnished apartment, willing to accommodate small well trained dog, needed by Angela and Peter Maher; vicinity Wimbledon, New Malden. Please contact Angela on 020 8946 3984 or 07950 558 403.

## Exploring our Faith

### DIVINE MERCY RETREAT

You are invited to a one-day retreat led by Marian Fathers on Saturday 22 September from 11am-4.30pm at the Sacred Heart Church.

5-day Divine Mercy Pilgrimage and retreat to the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock from 16-20 November, Praying for the Holy Souls, organised by the Marian Fathers: £520 pp include return flights from LGW to Knock, 1/2 board, 4 nights accommodation, all coach travels; Holy Mass, retreat talks, Catholic devotions each day. For more info please contact the Divine Mercy Apostolate at 020 8998 0925 or [info@divinemercury.org.uk](mailto:info@divinemercury.org.uk)

### WALSINGHAM ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE

The annual Walsingham

Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life led by Most Rev Kevin McDonald will take place on Sunday 7 October at 12noon in the Chapel of Reconciliation; confessions will be available before Mass from 11-11.45am; departure 7.30am (prompt) at Westminster Cathedral, Ambrosden Avenue; for more information visit [www.prolifepilgrimage.org](http://www.prolifepilgrimage.org), tickets (£20) from Domenica Rasulo on 07913 434 357.

### PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

A pilgrimage to the Holy Land will take place from Tuesday 9 - Wednesday 17 October for £1,229 (including all excursions). For more details please contact Mrs Richarde Mozzi on 020 8472 0843 or 07859 027 301.

### NIGHTFEVER OPEN CHURCH - OPEN HEART

*Nightfever London* runs every 4-6 weeks at St Patrick's Soho Square (London W1D 4NR); each evening begins with the celebration of Mass at 6pm. Directly after Mass the Blessed Sacrament is placed on the Altar for Adoration, there are prayers by candlelight, opportunity for confession, the evening continues until Compline, Night Prayer, at 10.30pm; there is usually a social following this event. If you wish to join people from our parish who attend *Nightfever*, please contact Kelly at the Parish Office and she will put you in touch with them. The dates for the next *Nightfever* at St Patrick's are Saturdays 28 October and 8 December.

**CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY**

6.30pm (Sat) Fr T Nwokeji      11.15am Canon V Elias  
 8.15am Canon V Elias            12.45pm Fr T Byron SJ  
 8.30am\* Fr T Nwokeji            5.00pm Fr Kinga SJ  
 9.45am Fr T Nwokeji            8.00pm Fr A Nunes SJ

\* SH School Mass Centre

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

Sat 15 6.30pm Sony Hearty Ints.  
 Mon 17 7.30am Percy Harrison & James Sharlett RIP  
           10.00am Helen Toomey RIP  
           6.30pm Marie Hearty Ints.  
 Tue 18 7.30am Alfred Jessiman RIP  
           10.00am Maureen Stromberg RIP  
           6.30pm Mary Burke Ints.  
 Wed 19 7.30am Mrs McBride RIP  
           10.00am Yvonne Patton RIP  
           6.30pm Sadie Smith Ints.  
 Thu 20 7.30am Teodora Owczarek RIP  
           10.00am Joan Roche RIP  
           6.30pm Fr Thaddeus Nwokeji Ints.  
 Fri 21 7.30am Alfred Jessiman RIP  
           10.00am Funeral Mass for Paul Helm  
           6.30pm Yvonne Patton RIP  
 Sat 22 7.30am Mr & Mrs Croft Wedd. Anniv.  
           10.00am Bridie Egan RIP

**WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS**

**Those who have died recently:** Fr John Mulligan, Paul Helm, Krystyna Podworska-Sillitoe, Thomas Michael Cox, Michael Barrett, David Neil-Gallacher, Margarita Taylor  
**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Mavis Ellen Moriarty, Roy Ernest Haslehurst, David Ryan, Rosemary Zarri, Donald Millar Keith, Maureen Stromberg  
**The sick:** Paul Saunders, Marian Spencer, Mary Purcell Cosgrave, Trinity Kerin, Roberto Farina, Noel Smith, Damji Vadhia, Evelyn Hanna, Brian Birch, Simon Hull, Doug Cusack, Lalita Nagar, Cath O'Neill, Andrew Tan, Horace D'Cruz, Bertha D'Costa, Tom Searle, John Burke-Gaffney, Donald Derx, Margaret Lumley, Electa Almeida, 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 £2,343. in loose plate giving and £314 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,657. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.  
 The second collection in support of *Catholic Education Service* (CES) raised £908. Thank you for your generosity!

**FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK**

**Sunday 16 September** Home Mission Sunday  
**Monday 17 September** St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church  
**Wednesday 19 September** St Januarius, Bishop & Martyr; St Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop  
**Thursday 20 September** St Andrew Kim Tae-gōn, priest and St Paul Chōng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs  
**Friday 21 September** St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist

**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 Regina Pacis*, Flor Peeters  
*Ave Maria*, Gabriel Fauré

**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.