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Newsletter

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**Thirty-first Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

**Weekday readings for
31st Week in
Ordinary Time (B)**

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Next Sunday's Readings

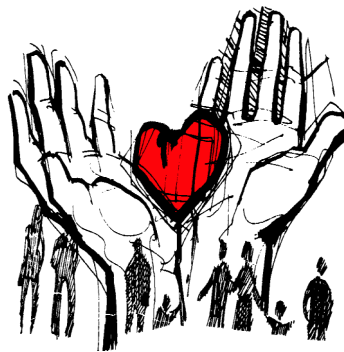
- I Kings 17:10-16
- Psalm 145:7-10. R.v.2
- Hebrews 9:24-28
- Mark 12:38-44

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The Greatest Commandment

In the gospel today Jesus reminds us that the greatest law is to love the Lord our God with our whole heart and soul. The next is that we should love our neighbour as our self. These are the two great commandments of the New Law. Jesus reminds us constantly of the place of love in our Christian lives. He tells us that the love he receives from his father is a love shared by him with us. In time he would make the ultimate sign of love - the sacrifice of himself on the cross at Calvary. We share the love of Christ through the sacraments, not



least the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. The Eucharist is the sacrament by which we are both loved and in turn love. When at Mass we pray for those significant in our lives, or those in need of our prayers, we extend to them the love of Christ present to us in the Holy Eucharist. This is especially so when we pray for the Holy

Souls. Our prayer especially within the Mass is an act of love. Our act of love enables the Holy Souls, who in Purgatory are maturing in love, to the point when they will be able to respond perfectly to God's love and earn a place in God's eternal kingdom. If you would like to include members of your family in the prayers for the Holy Souls this November, place their names in the envelopes provided and then into the box in the Holy Souls chapel.

Canon John

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark MA
 Parish Clergy: Fr Thaddeus Nwokeji and Deacon Julian Burling
 Also Resident: Georg Böckl-Bichler (Student)
 Team Members: Sr Francis SSA, Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU and Cristina Connolly
 Youth Minister: Eleanor Bowman Adult Faith Formation Officer: Kelly Hockey

SECOND COLLECTION

Next Sunday, 11 November, the second collection will be for the *Archbishop's Administration Fund*. This collection helps to meet the cost of the central administration of the Diocese.

CHURCH HEATING

We have recently installed a sophisticated heat management system to control the temperature in the church during the heating season. The system has been programmed to ensure that the church is heated in time for Masses, it can also be programmed for other times such as funerals. To conserve energy, we hope to maintain a temperature which is comfortable as long as those in the congregation are wearing outer coats. Outside these periods the church will be somewhat cooler but will continue to be heated to about 14°Celsius through the underfloor heating system. During the heating period the high-level windows will be kept closed in the interests of economy. George, our caretaker, is responsible for monitoring the system. Parishioners are requested not to interfere with radiators or any other controls.

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 or Jenny (07906 856 183), Charlotte (07714 702 735).

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 5 November from 6-8pm.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected

again this weekend, 3/4 November.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME VOLUNTEERS

Please could anyone who is interested to help with this

year's confirmation programme contact Kelly at the Presbytery (020 8946 0305).

Announcements

HOLY SOULS ENVELOPES

If you would like to have your deceased family members remembered in the Masses during November, write their names on a paper and put them into the Holy Souls envelopes provided. They will be placed in a box at the altar during Masses this month. Any donations enclosed will go towards Masses for the Holy Souls during the year.

PUB TRIPS

Georg, our seminarian, and Kelly, our Adult Faith Formation Officer, would like to get to know parishioners and invite you to join them at 'The Swan' pub on the Ridgeway after the 8pm Masses today, Sunday 4, and

next Sunday 11 November. Many people come to our church and do not know anyone. London is a large city and you can find yourself lost. Single person households are increasing. Living with house-mates that you do not know is also very common. Even if this church is not your regular church, please still come along.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

For years, on each Remembrance Sunday, Fr John Mulligan has arranged for the blessing of graves at the two cemeteries in Garth Road (Merton and Sutton Joint Cemetery and the Morden Cemetery/Crematorium). It consisted of a short service outside the chapel at the Joint Cemetery with clergy to bless

individual graves if wanted. Substantial numbers generally attended. We should maintain the tradition and therefore clergy from St John Fisher will be present for the blessing of the graves at 3pm on Sunday 11 November. Everybody is welcome to come for the service and blessing.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

This year marks the centenary of the ending of the First World War. Canon John will represent the parish at Merton's annual Service of Remembrance which will be held at 10.40am on Sunday 11 November at the Wimbledon Village War Memorial. The scouts will parade at the 9.45am Mass.

Parish Organisations

WCFG

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 November at 7.30-9pm when Erin Cowhig Croft, Information and Outreach Officer for Healthwatch Merton, will be talking about her role with Healthwatch which includes gathering information about different organisations around Merton. She has

a wealth of knowledge and is able to signpost you when you have any questions. Erin would also like to enquire about your experiences with the health services in Merton. (Wimbledon Guild, 07948 767 936; 30/32 Worple Road, SW19 4EF, wcfg@life.co.uk)

SOCIAL CLUB AGM

The Social Club will be holding its AGM on Friday 9 November at 7.30pm in the Parish Lounge. All Welcome!

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION GROUP

Join the SH Environmental Action Group on a Fungi Foray on Wimbledon Common. Saturday 17 November at 2pm. Meet outside the Windmill Car Park Café. Wear wellies! Contact Alison Lobo 07711 583 414/ radar1972@hotmail.com

Social, Cultural & Notices

CHRISTMAS LUNCH
We are now taking bookings for guests and volunteers for this very happy event. Please contact (sadiesmith3@talktalk.net or 020 8946 5198) or the Presbytery (wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk or 020 8946 0305 for full information). Come and join us and make your Christmas special.

IT CLINICS
This term's popular *Generations Together IT Clinics* will continue at the UHS on Fridays 9, 16 & 30 November and 7 & 14 December commencing at 12.45pm. Knowledgeable girls provide excellent mobile phone and computer tuition, including how to connect with family abroad or catch up with TV on line. All grades welcome. No charge. Contact Sheila Gent 020 8390 0119 to book a place.

THE PASSAGE
Please support the excellent work of *The Passage* - helping homeless people to transform their lives - by considering attending its annual con-

cert *Night Under the Stars* at the Royal Festival Hall on Tuesday 6 November at 7.30pm. This year's concert is entitled *Northern Lights* and features music by Grieg and Sibelius. For details & booking visit <https://www.southbankcentre.co.uk/whats-on/118993-night-under-stars-northern-lights-2018> or telephone 020 3879 9555.

SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL
The PSA has submitted an application to the Aviva Community Fund in the hope of securing a grant of £25,000 for Sacred Heart Primary School: if they are awarded the money, it will be used to transform the school's playgrounds - Instead of plain concrete there will be nature spaces, fun seating areas, a sensory corner, and lots of opportunities for physical activities including a climbing wall, basketball nets, new play apparatus and sports equipment, and more.
To stand a chance of being awarded the grant, they need as many people as possible to

vote for their project. You can vote at <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/4-1877> Voting closes on 20 November.

ANNUAL SOCIAL
Annual Social for Ext. Eucharistic Ministers and Church Volunteers is on Tuesday 20 November 7.30-9.30pm. Please bring a plate of food to the Lounge, drinks provided. Reply: gmill02@aol.com or call 020 8946 2174.

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS
You are invited to come to a Tour of Southwark Cathedral on Tuesday 27 November at 3pm: see London's 'other' Cathedral - in fact the first to be built in the capital after the Reformation. Meet at the entrance the Cathedral. Westminster Bridge Road SE1 & HY. Find out more about Catholic History Walks on www.catholichistorywalks.com, cost £5, concessions.

book in advance at www.mountstreet.info or call 020 7495 1673; 114 Mount Street, W1K 3AH.

HEALING MASS
A Healing Mass will be celebrated by the Sons of Divine Providence at the Chapel of Our Lady of Westminster in 25 Lower Teddington Rd, Hampton Wick, KT1 4HB on Sat 24 Nov at 2pm. For more information contact Fr John Perrotta on 07921 125 283.

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.

WEST BARNES SINGERS CHRISTMAS CONCERT
Come and join the West Barnes Singers to hear Händel's *Messiah*, part one and festive carols from St. Mary's choristers on Saturday 1 December at 7.30pm; St Saviour's Church, SW20 9DG, tickets £10, children free.

CHRISTMAS FAIR
The Sacred Heart RC Primary School is holding a Christmas Fair on Saturday 24 November, 1-3pm; you are all cordially invited to join them for an afternoon of fun including an ice rink, plenty of games, a gourmet BBQ & bar, and more... Book your ice skating tickets now at <https://bit.ly/2pSkzSx> Burlington Road, New Malden KT3 4ND.

CATHOLIC LEGACY WEEK
'By supporting Catholic causes with a gift in our Will, we can all leave a legacy of love and hope for people in need'. The Catholic Legacy Week from 1-7 November is an opportunity to find out more about how to leave gifts in our wills for the long term benefit of the Catholic community. For more information please visit the diocese website at www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/bequest.html

Exploring our Faith

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP
The SH Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting in the Youth Room for an evening of prayer, praise and worship on Monday 5 November at 7.30pm. All are welcome, any enquiries, please contact: Audra on 07958 782 779 or audra.wamsteker@gmail.com

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE
A one-day workshop on 'Scripture in Colour-Praying with Icons' facilitated by Audrey Hamilton and Liz Waldy will be held on Saturday 17 November from 11am-4pm.
If you wish to take part in any of the workshops (cost - suggested donation £30, please only give the donation which you can afford) it is important to

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	3	7.30am	Norma Patton Intentions
		10.00am	Angela Hall RIP
		6.30pm	Hugh, Doris & Yvonne de Lima RIP
Mon	5	7.30am	David & Lorenza Boyce RIP
		10.00am	George Horton RIP
		6.30pm	Gertrude & Lillian RIP
Tue	6	7.30am	Tosca Kneen RIP
		10.00am	Desmond Ignatius Saldanha RIP
		6.30pm	Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group
Wed	7	7.30am	Thanksgiving Mass to Baby Jesus
		10.00am	Arul Peters RIP
		6.30pm	Tim Nolan RIP
Thu	8	7.30am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		10.00am	Anthony Maher RIP
		6.30pm	Dced Members of Almeida Family RIP
Fri	9	7.30am	Vincent Patton RIP
		10.00am	Mr & Mrs M Joseph RIP
		6.30pm	Alex & Annabella Fernandes Ints.
Sat	10	7.30am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		10.00am	Rohan & Shakeela Antony-Pillai Wedd. A

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Harry Carney
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Philippe Chateau, Robert Threlfall, Cynthia Jackson, Patrick Dantas
The sick: Kieran Walsh, David Carrier, Paul Saunders, Marian Spencer, Rita Westbrook, Mary Purcell Cosgrave, Trinity Kerin, Roberto Farina, Noel Smith, Damji Vadha, Brian Birch, Alina Hancock, Simon Hull, Doug Cusack, Lalita Nagar, Cath O'Neill, Andrew Tan, 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 £1,437 in loose plate giving and £387 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £1,824. 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

Wednesday 7 November Dedication of the Cathedral Church of St George

Thursday 8 November St Willibrord, Bishop

Friday 9 November Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Saturday 10 November St Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

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 XII (pater cuncta), Plainsong

Cantique de Jean Racine, Gabriel Fauré

Ubi Caritas, Ola Gjeilo

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

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.