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Newsletter

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**Thirty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

**Weekday readings for
33rd Week in
Ordinary Time (B)**

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Next Sunday's Readings

- Daniel 7:13-14
- Psalm 92:1-2,5. R.v.I
- Apocalypse 1:5-8
- John 18:33-37

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Know That He Is Near

In case you hadn't noticed Christmas is coming, and all too quickly. We haven't even started Advent yet! I wanted to say a big thanks to those who have already volunteered to help with the Parish Christmas Lunch. It is a great event each year where those who for one reason or another are not able to prepare Christmas lunch for themselves can join friends and parishioners for a lunch here in the parish. We need more help to organise the meal this year. If anyone is willing to help coordinate the



preparation for the meal would you be kind enough to contact me. I would hope that we will be able to establish a small planning group to work with the co-ordinator and help the volunteers in preparing the meal. Invitations to the meal will go out through the newsletter and in church on the Sundays of Advent. So

if you want to reserve a seat then let us have your name, address and a contact number.

The list of services and their times during the Christmas period will be available from the First Sunday of Advent. You are encouraged to keep this to hand during the Christmas season as there are a number of events taking place from an Advent Service to the Christmas Penitential Service. Also Mass times may vary during that time.

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, 25 November is National Youth Sunday. The second collection taken that day supports youth work in the diocese and beyond, especially the *Southwark Catholic Youth Service (SCYS)*. Thank you for your support.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Do come and have a chat with other parishioners over a delicious breakfast today, 18 November, after 8.15am Mass until 12 noon (Lower Hall).

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.

LIFT TO THE 11.15 MASS

Please could someone give a lift some Sundays (for 11.15am Mass) to one lady from Ridgeway Place? With thanks. Contact Sadie Smith (020 8946 5198 sadiesmith3@talktalk.net)

FRIENDS OF LIFE GROUP

The *Wimbledon Friends of Life Group* invite you to their Open evening on Thursday 22 November at 7.30pm at St John Fisher Parish Hall, 207 Cannon Hill Lane, SW20 9DB, with speaker Clare Plasom-Scott, a young educational Officer in SW London. Cheese & wine, cake; all welcome; contact Christine Davis for more information (020 3602 9213).

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 19 November from 6-8pm.

CONFIRMATION

Please register your initial interest on the sign up sheet on the website (<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TRDN9SX>)

[surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TRDN9SX](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TRDN9SX) Info-session to follow in December. Details to be announced later.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the confirmation programme.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

SIGNED & SPOKEN MASS

A signed & spoken Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, 25 November, in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church.

Announcements

SACRED HEART YOUTH GROUP

Next Sunday is *National Youth Sunday* and we will be launching our Parish Youth Group: this is for young people aged 14 - 18 and we meet on a Sunday from 6.15 - 7.45pm in the Youth Room. Please email Eleanor (Youth Minister) to register your interest at eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

call us to stand in solidarity with persecuted Christians across the world. The Sacred Heart will again light up for Red Wednesday and at 7-8.30pm in the Lounge, there will be a discussion session and prayer vigil to mark this day. For more info please contact Eleanor at eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

CRIB APPEAL

As part of this year's Parish Crib Appeal we will support *Pact*, the charity serving prisoners and their families. With their *Operation Christmas Elf* they try to remember children in difficult situations with their own special Christmas gift. Please help them spread a little Christmas cheer by donating a gift, a present for a

MASS FOR THE BEREAVED

On Saturday 24 November at 10am there will be a special Mass for all who are bereaved. Followed by refreshments in the Parish Lounge.

RED WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday 28 November, *Aid to the Church in Need*

child (please **DO NOT** donate second hand or used toys, suggested worth under £15). Bring your gift to the parish and please **do not wrap** (but just label for what age) presents. The deadline for donations of presents is Thursday 6 December. *Pact* will collect and distribute them to children in need of a gift on special Christmas family days in prisons, through youth sessions and support groups.

Please find a flyer with detailed information about suggestions of gifts for specific age groups (new-borns to 18yr) and please observe carefully the restrictions that are in place. Many thanks for your generosity in supporting this good cause.

Parish Organisations

WCFG

Thursday 22 November, between 3.15-4.30pm in the Wimbledon Guild: This will be the last afternoon drop-in, so we will be serving tea & cakes and do hope you will join us. It would be lovely to see people who have visited us over the years. Please email or phone us to let us know for catering purposes.

Thursday 13 December at 7.30-9pm will be the very last

party and gathering of the group. We will be in the front room of Drake House which is behind the Wimbledon Guild. Please come and join us for a celebration of what the group has achieved over the past 13 years. We will be serving food as usual so please let us know if you can come. Wimbledon Guild, 07948 767 936; 30/32 Worple Rd, SW19 4EF, wcfg@life.co.uk

YOUNG ADULTS

Please note that there will be **no** Young Adults' social this month. Date for the diary: the Christmas social will take place on Sunday 16 Dec.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 7 December at 2.30pm in the Lounge: Christmas Singalong with Songs on Wheels. Sherry to sharpen the vocal cords and tea & cakes to follow! Everyone welcome.

Social, Cultural & Notices

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

We are now taking bookings for guests and volunteers for this very happy event. Please contact Sadie Smith (sadie.smith3@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 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.

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.

NEWMAN CIRCLE

The next meeting of the Newman Circle will be on Thursday 22 November at 7.30pm in the Lounge when Mgr Roderick Strange, a professor at St Mary's University, Strawberry Hill, will talk on 'Renewing the Church'. All are welcome.

'T'WAS THE WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS
MyRaynesPark will once again be presenting an 'open mic' evening of stories, poems and other readings relating to Christmas on Wednesday 5 December from 7-8.45pm at the Raynes Park Library. Read

one of your own compositions or a favourite piece from the treasury of Christmas literature. If you want to be sure of a performance space, email reading@myraynespark.co.uk. Performers of all ages are welcome, and each will have a maximum of 4 mins. Even if you choose not to be a reader, the organisers invite you to come along and enjoy the evening which has always been an informal and friendly community occasion

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Putney Choral Society will perform Vivaldi's *Gloria*, the *Magnificat* by Pergolesi and St Saëns' *Oratorio de Noël* in concert at St Paul's Church, Augustus Rd SW19, on Saturday 8 December at 7pm. Tickets (£15) on the door or phone 07968 209 245.

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.

BOOK SALE FROM THE ESTATE OF THE LATE JOHN MILWARD

A second book sale from the late John Milward's Estate, a collection of religious and other books are available to the parish and will be offered for sale in the Lower Hall after Masses this Saturday 17 (6.30pm) and Sunday 18 November. All proceeds to the Sacred Heart Church Capital Fund.

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 19 November at 7.30pm. All are welcome, any enquiries, please contact: Audra on 07958 782 779 or audra.wamsteker@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULTS ADVENT RETREAT

You are invited to come to a Young Adults Retreat at Worth Abbey from Friday 30 November to Sunday 2 December. The retreat is aimed at all the young adults (18-35s) who want to

understand what it means to live in joyful expectancy in the hidden coming of Christ in the present moment and to follow his light in the darkness. For more info or to book, please contact Katrina: toc@worth.org.uk / 01342 710318

NIGHTFEVER

Nightfever London - Open Church - Open Heart 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 date for the next *Nightfever* at St Patrick's is Saturday 8 December.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 17 6.30pm Thomas Gabriel RIP
 Mon 19 7.30am Maria Simoes RIP
 10.00am James Pedrapillai RIP
 6.30pm Geoffrey Maddrell RIP
 Tue 20 7.30am Alfred Jessiman RIP
 10.00am Sheila Johnstone RIP
 6.30pm Gloria Rumbelow RIP
 Wed 21 7.30am Chris & Family Ints.
 10.00am Wendy Lally Ints.
 6.30pm Rita Westbrook 95th Birthday
 Thu 22 7.30am Alfred Jessiman RIP
 10.00am Jenny & Simon Ints.
 6.30pm Paul Helm RIP
 Fri 23 7.30am Thanksgiving Mass
 10.00am Anna Kwilecka RIP
 6.30pm Maureen Mahony & Patrick O'Malley RIP
 Sat 24 7.30am Queen of Peace
 10.00am Souls of Fernandes, Pereira Families RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Josephine McCourt
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Elizabeth Paul, Luka Stroh, Caroline Dale, Veronica Mirandah, Michael Swanson, Mary Henderson, Emilio Gutierrez

The sick: Kieran Walsh, David Carrier, Paul Saunders, Marian Spencer, Rita Westbrook, Mary Purcell Cosgrave, Trinity Kerin, Roberto Farina, Damji Vadhia, 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 £1,935 in loose plate giving and £462 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,397. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

The second collection in support of the *Archbishop's Administration Fund* raised £936. Thank you.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Sunday 18 November World Day of the Poor
Wednesday 21 November The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Memorial
Thursday 22 November St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr
Friday 23 November St Clement I, Pope & Martyr; St Columban, Abbot & Missionary
Saturday 24 November Ss Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest & Companions

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 in Bb, Franz Liszt/Leoš Janáček

De profundis clamavi, Christoph Willibald Gluck

Ave verum, Barry Turner

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.