



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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## Newsletter

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**Our Lord Jesus Christ  
the King of the Universe**

**Weekday readings for  
34th Week in  
Ordinary Time (B)  
Vol III. psalter week 2**

### Next Sunday's Readings

- Jeremiah 33:14-16
- Psalm 24:4-5.8-9.10.14. R.v1
- I Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
- Luke 21:25-28. 34-36

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## #RedWednesday 28th November

Christians around the world are being persecuted because of their faith. Will you show your support for the Suffering Church?

Aid to the Church in Need are being joined by Christian Solidarity worldwide for this campaign, but we need your help. Join us on Wednesday 28 November, #RedWednesday, and stand in solidarity with persecuted Christians and faith minorities who suffer unjustly for their peacefully-held beliefs.

Let's spread the word and use social media to make #RedWednesday 2018 a campaign that cannot be ignored.

By joining us in prayer, by wearing red, lighting your church red, by organising red-themed activities or attending #RedWednesday events, you will be doing



something peaceful and positive to highlight the suffering – injustices, discrimination, violence, oppression, torture and death – of so many Christians and others today which goes largely unnoticed by the world. There will be a short service of prayer on the 28th at 7pm followed by a discussion on the issues raised by #RedWednesday. We will be joined at that by a representative of the *Aid to the Church in Need*. Do come along.

### A SAD FAREWELL

After over 70 years in the parish the Sisters of Marie Reparatrice will be leaving the parish next week. They have played a significant role in the life of the Sacred Heart Parish and will be remembered with fondness by many here. Before moving to Stanton Road they ran a very successful retreat centre and vestment making group. I had my own ordination chasuble made by the sisters. We wish them well as they continue their ministry through prayer. We ask them to remember the parish in their prayers as we will remember them in ours.

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

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

## CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

Christmas cards with all profits going to the Parish Appeal will be available to buy from Alison Lobo after Masses this weekend or via the Parish Office/Reception. On behalf of the SH Photography Group (Alison Lobo 07711 583 414/ [radar1972@hotmail.com](mailto:radar1972@hotmail.com)).

## SIGNED & SPOKEN MASS

A signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated today, 25 Nov, at 4pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

## BOOKS BEYOND WORDS

The *Books Beyond Words* book club is for adults who find it easier to read pictures than words. It would suit adults with learning disabilities or autism. The stories are told with pictures not words. The next book club meeting is on Saturday 1 December from 3.30-5pm in the Parish Lounge. For more info please contact Emily ([emcat76@hotmail.com](mailto:emcat76@hotmail.com) or 07947 103 781).

## 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.

## Parish News

### AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 26 November from 7.30-9pm.

### 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 volunteer catechists to help with the preparation classes for our confirmation

programme. Should you be willing to assist please kindly contact Kelly at the Parish Office.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

## Announcements

### SACRED HEART YOUTH GROUP

This Sunday is *National Youth Sunday* and we will be launching our Parish Youth Group for young people aged 14 – 18. We meet after the 5pm Mass until 7.45pm in the Youth Room and all are welcome!

### RED WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday 28 November, *Aid to the Church in Need* 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@sacredheartwimbleton.org.uk](mailto:eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbleton.org.uk)

### ADVENT & CRAFTS MORNING

On Sunday 9 December, after the 9.45am Mass, there will be an Advent Arts & Crafts morning for families in the Lower Hall. For more information please contact Eleanor (Youth Minister): [eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbleton.org.uk](mailto:eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbleton.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 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

### TRAIDCRAFT

Traidcraft goods will be on sale this Sunday, Traidcraft has worked hard with producers to supply sustainable (often organic) foodstuffs, and high quality gifts. Please visit the stall to support those who struggle to get a fair price for their goods.

### WCFG

Thursday 13 December at 7.30-9pm will be the very last party and gathering of the

Wimbledon Cancer Friendship Group. We will be in the front room of Drake House (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 Road, SW19 4EF, [wcfg@life.co.uk](mailto: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

### 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.

### MYRAYNEPARK

'Twas the week before Christmas', MyRaynesPark will once again be presenting an 'open mic' evening of stories, poems and other readings relat-

ing 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 [read](mailto:reading@myraynespark.co.uk) ing@myraynespark.co.uk Performers of all ages are welcome (maximum time 4 mins/each). Even if you choose not to be a reader, you are welcome to come along and enjoy the evening.

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Putney Choral Society will perform Vivaldi's *Gloria*, the *Magnificat* by Pergolesi and St Saëns' *Oratorio de Noël* in con-

cert at St Paul's Church, Augustus Rd SW19, on Saturday 8 December at 7pm. Tickets (£15) on the door or phone 07968 209 245.

### CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

You are invited to seasonal walks through Westminster and Victoria, taking in Christmas trees and crib-scenes on Sunday 16 December & Wednesday 2 January at 3pm. Meet at Westminster Cathedral, please wear suitable footwear, walks may take up to 2 hrs, costs £5; [www.catholichistorywalks.com](http://www.catholichistorywalks.com)

### 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.

### URSULINE PREP SCHOOL

There is a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor at the Ursuline Prep School. Please visit their website ([www.ursulineprep.org](http://www.ursulineprep.org)) for the job description and an application form which has to be returned by Friday 30 November.

### NIGHTFEVER ADVENT SPECIAL

There is a *Nightfever* Advent Special taking place on Saturday 8 December at St Patrick's Soho. Start at 6pm with Mass, followed by training of the volunteers, Adoration until 9.30pm, all volunteers are then invited to come to their Advent party in the hall afterwards. St Patrick's Soho Square (London W1D 4NR). For more information please contact Kelly at the Parish Office.

## 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 26 November at 7.30pm. A talk on 'Rejoice' will be given by Maria Christopher. All are welcome, any enquiries,

please contact: Audra on 07958 782 779 or [audra.wamsteker@gmail.com](mailto: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 information or to book, please contact Katrina: [toc@worth.org.uk](mailto:toc@worth.org.uk) or 01342 710 318.

### CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2018

Canon John and Fr Thaddeus cordially invite you to make Christmas a very special Parish Day. Come and have *LUNCH* on Tuesday 25 December, 12 noon for 1pm and spend the day with the Clergy and other parishioners, rather than being on your own.

You will receive a warm welcome and have lots of fun.

If you would like to attend or know of someone who would like an invitation, please fill in a form (available at the back of the church, Presbytery Reception or download it from [www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](http://www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk)) and kindly return these asap to the Parish Office.

**Volunteers:** We would be happy if more volunteers came forward to help, especially on Christmas Eve and Day. Volunteer forms are available at the back of the church, Reception or website.

**Donations:** Many thanks for your immense generosity. Further donations are most welcome, cash and cheques (payable to *The Sacred Heart Parish*). Donations can be left at the Reception. Gift Aid forms are available.

Please contact Rehana Edun-Noys - 07748 181 843 or [rehanaedun@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rehanaedun@yahoo.co.uk) for further info.

### CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

\* SH School Mass Centre

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	24	6.30pm	P & D Kurukgy, F, E & N Obayda RIP
Mon	26	7.30am	Anna Kwilecka RIP
		10.00am	Danny Kelly RIP
		1.30pm	Funeral Mass for Josephine McCourt
		6.30pm	James Westbrook RIP
Tue	27	7.30am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		10.00am	St Jude Thanksgiving
		6.30pm	Patrick Mythen RIP
Wed	28	7.30am	Ida Elliott RIP
		10.00am	Teraza Ints.
		6.30pm	Anna Kwilecka RIP
Thu	29	7.30am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		10.00am	Thanksgiving for Katy Lees Ints.
		6.30pm	Charles Maxwell Grostate RIP
Fri	30	7.30am	Michael Corcoran RIP
		10.00am	Tim Daly RIP
		6.30pm	Sean Patrick Flaherty RIP
Sat	1	7.30am	John Daniels RIP
		10.00am	Maya & Oliver Dweck-Duffin Thanksg.

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** Bernard Kirby, Michael Renwick, Fr Victor-Luke Odhiambo SJ, Josephine McCourt  
**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Marie Josephine Nyunt, Lawrence Pereira, Ella Stephen, James Westbrook, Gretta Conway  
**The sick:** Kieran Walsh, David Carrier, Paul Saunders, Marian Spencer, Bertha D'Costa, 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, 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 £1,524 in loose plate giving and £534 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,058. 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

**Sunday 25 November** Youth Day; St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

**Friday 30 November** St Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland

**Saturday 1 December** Ss Edmund Campion, Ralph Sherwin and Alexander Brian, Martyrs

### 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

In memoriam Mary Henderson

*Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo,*  
Joseph Haydn

*Let all the world in every corner sing,*  
Ralph Vaughan Williams

### 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.