



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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## Newsletter

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### The Baptism of the Lord

**Weekday Readings for  
1st week in Ordinary Time  
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**Vol. I psalter week I**

### Next Sunday's Readings

- Isaiah 62:1-5
- Ps. 95:1-3,7-10. R.v.3
- I Corinthians 12:4-11
- John 2:1-11

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## The Baptism of the Lord

This week, in our Sunday liturgies we revert back to "Ordinary Time". It is that time in the Sunday liturgies when we do not celebrate a specific season in the Church's year, rather we share in the events of the general ministry of Jesus. These next few weeks will introduce us to the call of Jesus, "Repent and believe the Good News". These words will be said by the priest on Ash Wednesday when he seals us with the ash on our foreheads that day to remind us of our mortality and Christ's call for each of us to repent our sins



and seek forgiveness and reconciliation through our Lenten observances. It is not insignificant that our Christmas season ends and ordinary time begins with the feast of the Baptism of our Lord. He didn't need John's baptism. Indeed the Baptism of Jesus with fire and the Holy

Spirit would replace the baptism of John. Jesus' baptism was for the affirmation of Jesus by his Father, "You are my Son, the Beloved. My favour rests on you". It is our shared baptism that at the most fundamental basis unites the Christian communities. This week we begin our Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, and we will be holding a joint ecumenical service at 6.30pm on Sunday 20 January at Raynes Park Methodist Church, Worples Road, SW20 8RA.

### 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

## CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Do come and have a chat with other parishioners over a delicious breakfast in the Lower Hall next Sunday 20 January after the 8.15am Mass until noon.

## STORAGE BOXES IN THE LOWER HALL

Would the persons/groups who use this storage please remove all stored materials by Friday 8 February.

The floor tiles in the Lower Hall are to be replaced. The work will start on Monday 18 February and the storage boxes have to be removed/demolished before work starts. Would you please speak to caretaker George McLennan regarding your possible need for alternative storage when the work is complete?

## ICY WEATHER VOLUNTEERS

We would need a team of able-bodied volunteers who are willing to be called out at weekends to clear and grit paths to the church in the event of snow or ice. Please forward contact details through <https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/>, 'Contact Us', giving subject as 'Icy weather volunteer'. Thank you for your help!

## JESUIT MISSIONS

The first edition of 'On the Edge' for 2019, JM's regular bulletin, is available at the back of the church informing about the upcoming speaker tour in February. Fr Xavier Jeyaraj SJ will be travelling around the British province to give talks in schools and parishes. Please keep an eye on our website regarding dates, locations and times (<http://www.jesuit.org.uk/jesuit-missions>)

## Parish News

### AT HOME

Please note that there will be **no At Home** on Monday 14 January 2019.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again this weekend, 12/13 January.

### CHURCH UNITY OCTAVE

From 18 until 25 January the Church observes eight days of

Prayer for Christian Unity. There are many different Christian churches and denominations, but all have the same basic calling – to worship God, to share the good news about Jesus Christ and to work for the good of all people. An ecumenical service to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be held at Raynes Park Methodist

Church, Worple Road, SW20 8RA at 6.30pm.

### SAVE THE DATE

7pm on Wednesday 30 January in the Parish Lounge: Sean Ryan, National Caritas Community Sponsorship Co-ordinator, will explain the process of sponsoring a refugee family and he will launch the *Parish Heart Project*.

## Announcements

### YOUTH GROUP

Sacred Heart Youth Group: Our Youth group for those in y9+ resumes this Sunday 13 January. We meet from 6-7.45pm in the Youth Room after the 5pm Mass and all are welcome. Please contact Eleanor ([eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk)) for more details.

### SPECIAL MASS

All Parishioners, especially those with any Goan connections, are welcome to a special Mass on Saturday 20 January at 2pm at St John Fisher Church, 207 Cannon Hill Lane, SW20 9NQ, to pray for the beatification of Ven. Agnelo; Mass will be followed by refreshments in the hall. Do invite friends and come along with a plate of

food/drink for general sharing. Contact 020 8543 7721 or 020 8540 1249 for further details.

### NEWMAN CIRCLE

The next meeting of the Newman Circle will be on Thursday 24 January at 7.30pm in the Lounge when Fr Anthony Chantry will give a talk about his fascinating work and that of *Missio*, the organisation of which he is the head. All are welcome.

### FLAME 2019

The UK's biggest Catholic Youth Event is happening on Saturday 3 March at Wembley Arena. Sacred Heart Youth Ministry will be taking a group of young people in y9 – y13. The theme of this year's event is 'Significance' and the sessions

will be centered on being created in the image and likeness of God. The speakers include Jean Vanier who founded *L'Arche* community and there will be incredible music led by Tim Hughes. This is an all-day event, tickets cost £15. Please contact Eleanor ([eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk)) for more details & registration.

### PUB TRIP

There will be a pub trip to the Swan on Ridgway open to everybody on Saturday 27 January with Kelly and Georg and a guest visitor, Will Hince, founder of the charity 'Beyond the Wild' - a charity aiming to connect outdoor skills with spiritual survival. Meeting point: back of the church after the 8pm Mass.

## Parish Organisations

### YOUNG ADULTS

The next Young Adults social will be on the Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January, where we will join the 6.30pm Mass and then have food and a talk by Georg, our Seminarian, at the young adults community

house. Please contact Eleanor for more information ([eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk))

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 1 February in the Lounge at 2.30pm: BINGO! (Reportedly HM the Queen's favourite game!), prizes, tea, cakes, fun. All welcome!

## Social, Cultural & Notices



Tickets for the Edge Hill Players' pantomime *Cinderella* - a cast of 80 - are now available to purchase, please visit [www.edgehillplayers.com](http://www.edgehillplayers.com) or call 07742 230 493 to book. Performances will be on Saturdays 26 January 2019 at 2.30 & 7pm and on 2 February at 2.30 & 7pm.

### NEW BOOK OLD CHURCH

The Church Restoration Fund will receive 50% of the price of all sales of Simon

Potter's new novel of love and revenge in Los Angeles and London 'Shooting Europe'. (Amazon; paperback £12.99, Kindle £7.99, or by post - see Edgeways). [www.simonpotterauthor.com](http://www.simonpotterauthor.com)

### VACANCY

The governors of Our Lady of Victories RC Primary school (Putney) are seeking to appoint a new Headteacher from September 2019. For details please contact the school office on 020 8788 7957 or [clerk@ourladyofvictories.wandsworth.sch.uk](mailto:clerk@ourladyofvictories.wandsworth.sch.uk). Closing date for applications: 25 January.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please put down the following concert dates in your diaries:

\* *Stars of Sacred Heart Wimbledon* and award winning London Accordion Orchestra ask you to join their world on Saturday 18 May 2019 at 3pm. Save the date for a fundraising concert spectacular!!

\* The Sacred Heart Choir and Orchestra will perform Bach's *B Minor Mass* on Saturday 22 June in the church.

### 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.

### LANTERN THEATRE COMPANY

The Lantern Theatre Company are putting on 'The Hiding Place' - a play based on an inspiring true story of a Christian family who fought to save Jewish victims from the terrors of the Nazi regime - at St. Mark's Church, Wimbledon SW19 7ND at 7.30pm on Saturday 26 January. Tickets are £5 and include a free glass of wine/soft drink; (booking: 07949 205 559, [www.lanternarts.org](http://www.lanternarts.org)).

### PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

Fully escorted St Patrick's Weekend Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 16 March 2019. £599.00/pp sharing. Price includes flight with hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 course dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278, 07740 175 557 or [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).

## Exploring our Faith

### CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

SH Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting in the Youth Room for an evening of prayer, praise and worship on Monday 14 of January at 7.30pm. After a time of praise, there will be a short talk followed by intercession prayers. All are welcome. Any enquiries contact : Audra (07958 782 779 or [audra.wamsteker@gmail.com](mailto:audra.wamsteker@gmail.com))

### A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to a *Day with Mary* on Saturday 19 January at our Lady and St Joseph, Balls Pond Rd, London N1, starting at 10am with Entry Procession of Our Lady, Angelus, Crowning, Sung Litany, Mass, celebrant and preacher Fr Derek Hyett; sermon on our Lady by Fr Stephen Boyle, finish at 5.30pm. For more info please visit [www.adaywithmary.org](http://www.adaywithmary.org)

You are invited to come for two one-day workshops, one on the Spirituality of St Paul facilitated by Brian Purfield on Saturday 19 January from 11am-4pm. All through his letters, Paul encourages his converts to imitate him; for in him they have a model of what it was to follow Christ. On Saturday 26 January from 11m-4pm, a workshop facilitated by Audrey Hamilton will be on *Work, Worship and Wholeness*. Please see [www.mountstreet.info](http://www.mountstreet.info) for online booking or call 020 7495 1673; cost - suggested donation £30 for one-day workshops.

### TAIZÉ REFLECTION WEEK

A week of reflection reserved for 18-35 year-olds will be held in Taizé from 25 August -1 September. Students, young professionals, people involved in voluntary work

and job-seekers are all welcome. The aim of the week is to allow young adults of the same age-range to meet and discuss their future seen in the light of faith. For more information and to book your place please visit [http://www.taize.fr/en\\_article24938.html](http://www.taize.fr/en_article24938.html) or call Kelly at the Parish Office.

### RCIA

'Why become a Catholic?' Have you ever asked yourself this question? Perhaps you'll find the answers in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Weekly meetings are held on Mondays from 8 -9pm. The sessions will resume on January 7th. If you are interested or have queries, do get in touch with Canon John or Sr. Dorothy on [wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk), [dorothyperrott@aol.com](mailto:dorothyperrott@aol.com) or call 020 8946 0305.

### CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

\* SH School Mass Centre

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	12	6.30pm	Tom Limna RIP
Mon	14	7.30am	Jerry Maher RIP
		10.00am	Bryan de Lima RIP
		6.30pm	John Corcoran RIP
Tue	15	7.30am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		10.00am	Joe D'Costa RIP
		12.30pm	Funeral Mass for Anne Coombs
		6.30pm	Frank Keville RIP
Wed	16	7.30am	Lily Nagle RIP
		10.00am	Funeral Mass for Beatrice Nyeko
		6.30pm	John Gage RIP
Thu	17	7.30am	Maria Therese Yoko Kegawa
		10.00am	Funeral Mass for Sylvia Wilkinson
		6.30pm	Matthew Herris Ints.
Fri	18	7.30am	Barden Family Ints.
		10.00am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		6.30pm	Mervin Murray RIP
Sat	19	7.30am	Alwin John Baptist D'Souza RIP
		10.00am	Peter Connellan RIP

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** Sylvia Wilkinson, Peter Abberton, Anne Hampshire, Anne Coombs, Christine Walker

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Thomas Limna, Claude Bonnichou, Jane Valerie Basilico, Peter Connellan

**The sick:** Sheena Wilson, Kieran Walsh, David Carrier, Paul Saunders, Carol Donnelly, Marian Spencer, Rita Westbrook, Mary Purcell Cosgrave, Trinity Kerin, Roberto Farina, Damji Vadhia, Brian & Margaret Birch, Manjula Topno, 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 £1,762 in loose plate giving and £399 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,161. 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 13 January** The Baptism of the Lord; End of the Season of Christmas

**Thursday 17 January** St Anthony, Abbot, Memorial Church Unity Octave: from 18 - 25 January the Church observes eight days' prayer for Christian Unity

**Saturday 19 January** St Wulstan, Bishop

### 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 tertia*, Leos Bardos

*Tribus miraculis*, Luca Marenzio

*Sicut cervus*, Giovanni P. di Palestrina

### 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.