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Newsletter

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Third Sunday

Weekday Readings for
3rd week in Ordinary Time
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Next Sunday's Readings

- Jeremiah 1:4-5. 17-19
- Ps. 70:1-6.15.17.R.v15
- I Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13
- Luke 4:21-30

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This Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing

We have in our readings today two examples on how the word of God was listened to and how it was welcomed by two different congregations. The first takes us back to the return from exile of the Jewish people after their Exile in Babylon. Cut off as they were from the temple worship they were rebuilding their community . Guided by their priest Ezra they listened to the reading of the Book of the Law. Assisted by the Levites Ezra proclaimed the word of God day holy, The people were in tears after listening to the reading of the Law. They were a people again, the chosen ones of God. Those listening to the words of Jesus in the Gospel were equally moved by his words, some to joy some to anger. Here was the fulfilment of the words of Isaiah. Jesus, the Son of Mary and Joseph. He proclaims the Good News where the poor have the Gospel preached to them, the blind see and the downtrodden are set free. This congregation too were moved by his words. What of us? When was the last time we picked up the Bible and read a passage other than during one of the liturgies in the church. Would we be that moved by God's words?

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

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?

CHRISTMAS GIFTS SURPLUS

Many thanks to all those who contributed to the Christmas Surplus sale on January 6th which raised £270.50.

FAMILY CRAFT MORNING

On Sunday 10 February, after the 9.45am Mass, there will be an Arts & Crafts morning for families in the Lower Hall. For more info please contact Eleanor (eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk).

JESUIT MISSIONS

The latest edition of 'On the Edge', JM's regular bulletin, is available at the back of the church informing about their team of six Stonyhurst teachers who are running the London marathon on 28 April for Jesuit Missions.

JM like to invite you to a talk by Fr Xavier Jeyaraj SJ on 'Is leadership too important to be left to leaders?' at Donhead Primary School, Edge Hill, Wed 27 Feb at 7.30pm. A talk about how we can respond to the challenges of social justice, Care of Creation and leadership from an Ignatian perspective. Free event, all welcome.

Parish News

AT HOME

Please note that there will be an *At Home* on Monday 28 January from 7.30-9pm.

PARISH HEART PROJECT

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*.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

SIGNED & SPOKEN MASS

A signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated today, 27

January, at 4pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

FIRST VIGIL OF PRAYER

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and World Peace will be on Fri 1 Feb after 8pm Mass.

Announcements

THANK YOU

Pact, the charity our parish supported in last Christmas' Crib Appeal, would like to extend their most grateful thanks to those parishioners who took part and donated so many wonderful gifts. They are overwhelmed by the generosity shown this year: *Operation Christmas Elf 2018* saw twice as many gifts delivered than in 2017! Over the month of December dozens of festive family days took place in prisons across London and more than 1500 presents were presented to children who have a loved one in prison. These gifts will hopefully have brought the children some comfort at an otherwise difficult time. Many thanks for your kind generosity in supporting this good cause!

YOUTH GROUP

The SH Youth Group for those in y9+ will be meeting

again today 27 January from 6-7.45pm in the Youth Room after the 5pm Mass. All are welcome. Please contact Eleanor for more details.

CONFIRMATION 2019

Please note important dates for this year's confirmation programme: on Sunday 10 Feb at 6.15pm there will be an information session for parents in the Upper Hall. Sessions for our confirmation candidates: Sundays 3, 10 & 17 March at **3.30pm** in the Upper Hall Saturday 23 March (times to be announced) Reconciliation Prayer Experience, whole families invited, Lower Hall Sunday 31 March at **3.30pm** and Sundays 28 April & 12 May at **5pm**, Sunday 9 June at **3.30pm** in the Upper Hall; Rehearsal on Thursday 4 July at 7.15pm in the church; Confirmation Masses will be celebrated on Saturday 6 July at 10am and Sunday 7 July at

5pm.

Registration for confirmation is still open, please register your interest on the sign-up sheet: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TRDN9SX> We are happy to hear from anyone who might be able to volunteer to support our confirmation programme.

FLAME 2019

The UK's biggest Catholic Youth Event (y9-y13) is happening on Saturday 2 March at Wembley Arena. 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 (founder of L'Arche community), there will be incredible music led by Tim Hughes. This is an all-day event, (tickets £15). Contact Eleanor (eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk) for details & registration.

Parish Organisations

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!

PUB TRIP

There will be a pub trip to *The Swan* on Ridgway open to everybody this Sunday, 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.

Social, Cultural & Notices



Tickets for the Edge Hill Players' pantomime *Cinderella* - a cast of 80 - are still available to purchase on www.edgehillplayers.com or call 07742 230 493 to book for performances on Saturday 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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please put down the concert dates in your diaries:

* *Stars of Sacred Heart* Wimbledon and award winning London Accordion 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.

WEST BARNES SINGERS

You are invited to an open Mozart-Requiem workshop with musical director Colette Boushell on Sat 2 Feb from 10.15am-1.15pm at New Malden Methodist Church, 49 High Street, KT3

4BY; the workshop will provide a blend of chorus rehearsal, vocal training ending with informal sing-through. Singers taking part in the workshop are welcome to join further rehearsals on Wednesdays and to sing in the concert on Sat 6 April; for more info please contact Penelope Prendergast on 020 8648 3987.

VACANCY

Holy Cross Prep. School in Kingston require a Bursar (permanent, FT) to join their team from June 2019. Closing date Thu 7 Feb. Interviews will be held on Tue 12 Feb. Please visit the website (www.holycrossprep.co.uk > School Information > Vacancies) to find an application form.

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.

WINTER ESCAPE QUIZ EVENING & SUPPER

At the Parish Hall of Christ The King, Wimbledon Park, 7 pm, Friday 8 Feb, a Winter Escape Quiz Evening & Supper, to raise funds for Merton Home Tutoring Service - a local charity providing free English language lessons for adults who cannot get to college classes. Complimentary glass of Prosecco, 3-course intl. meal, quiz & winners' prize, live music, raffle. Tickets £25 from Elizabeth Kennedy 0791 3810 664 mhtsevents@hotmail.com

TAIZÉ REFLECTION WEEK

A week of reflection reserved for 18-35 year-olds will be held in Taizé from 25 Aug -1 Sept. 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 info and to book your place please visit http://www.taize.fr/en_article24938.html or call Kelly at the Parish Office.

Exploring our Faith

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

SH Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting in the Youth Room for an evening of prayer, praise and worship on Mon 28 Jan at 7.30pm. After a time of praise, there will a short talk on '*The transforming power of the Holy Spirit*', followed by intercession and healing prayers. All are welcome. Any enquiries contact Audra (07958 782 779 or audra.wamsteker@gmail.com).

LECTIO DIVINA

A small group of people meet every Friday morning from 10.45-11.45am in the Youth Room to consider the readings for the forthcoming Sunday Mass, pray silently and share her/his thoughts. All welcome.

SAPIENS PROGRAMME

The *Sapiens Programme - Ethics: living the Examined Life* is an initiative of Brothers of St John to help search for wisdom and live more fully human lives. The programme is a five-week course (you are welcome to one, some or all of the sessions) with input, discussion times, interaction and optional further reading; next meeting on '*Spring Cleaning: What needs to change in my behaviour?*' is on Thursday 31 January starting with a meal at 7.30pm, talk at 8pm (St Mary Moorfield R.C. Church, 4-5 Eldon Street, EC2M 7LS). For more info & to register interest contact Catherine Wallis-Hughes at stantonysyuthproject@gmail.com. Suggested donation/evening: £10 (incl. hot meal).

ST THOMAS AQUINAS STUDY WEEKEND

8-10 February at St Dominic's Convent, 21 Station Rd, Stone ST15 8EN, UK: This is the first weekend of the 2019 Programme led by the Dominican Youth Movement (<https://www.english.op.org/about-us/the-dominican-family/dominican-youth-movement.htm>) held at St Dominic's Convent, Stone, on '*The Incarnation. What is it? Why is it?*' with Fr Dominic Ryan OP. For more info please visit www.cephas.org.uk or contact: Sr Valery Walker OP valeryewalker@yahoo.co.uk.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	26	6.30pm	Christina Atleinson Ints.
Mon	28	7.30am	Brendan Barden Ints.
		10.00am	Bertha D'Costa RIP
		6.30pm	Sr Mary Ints.
Tue	29	7.30am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		10.00am	Sr Dorothy Ints.
		6.30pm	Maria Savvides RIP
Wed	30	7.30am	Martin Mannion Ints.
		10.00am	Bernadine Lewis RIP
		6.30pm	Des & Joan Matthews
Thu	31	7.30am	Helen & Brenden Clarke Ints.
		10.00am	Anne Daley Ints.
		6.30pm	Rita Man RIP
Fri	1	7.30am	Regis & Eleanor Downey
		10.00am	Funeral Mass for Ann Hampshire
		6.30pm	Eileen McQuaid Ints.
Sat	2	7.30am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		10.00am	Alfred Jessiman RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Andrew Robert Lawrence, Richard Hurst, Barbara Johnston, Mary Rudland, Peter Abberton, Ann Hampshire

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Ray and Alan Stiller, Sean Murphy, Cyril Williams, Margaret Moran, Nora Wood, Dermot Mulvihill, Angela Roots, John Pannell, Diana Ferrari, Jercy Owoc, Kazimiera Owoc, Eva Hryniewick

The sick: Sheena Wilson, Kieran Walsh, David Carrier, Paul Saunders, Carol Donnelly, Marian Spencer, 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 £1,660 in loose plate giving and £415 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,075. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Monday 28 January St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Thursday 31 January St John Bosco, Priest

Saturday 2 February The Presentation of the Lord; Candlemas

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 Orbis Factor, Plainsong

Dextera Domini, Vincent Goller

O Bone Jesu, Marco A. Ingegneri

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.