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Newsletter

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First Sunday of Lent

Weekday Readings for 1st week of Lent

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Next Sunday's Readings

- Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18
- Ps. 26:1.7-9.13-14. R.v.I
- Philippians 3:17-4:1
- Luke 9:28-36

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Lent has begun

I wonder how good have you been in keeping to your resolutions for Lent. If you have found it harder than you thought don't give up. The first Sunday of lent is always a good time to renew your



intentions. Remember if nothing else, it is good to do what you normally do for the rest of the year, but to do it well. Don't forget we are offered three tools to use during lent, prayer, fasting and good works. On the prayer front how about attending an additional Mass during the week, or attending the Stations of the Cross on Wednesday or Friday evening. The Stations of

the Cross is a unique devotion that is normally only celebrated in common during the weeks of Lent. It is a devotion, a meditation, on the last hours of Jesus as he is condemned to death, takes up his cross and begins the journey to Calvary, where crucified he makes the ultimate sacrifice on the cross. Each stage of the stations speaks to us of our journey of faith through life. We associate

ourselves with the suffering and death of Jesus. It is a moving devotion and I recommend it to you. If you are not able to come each week, do try to make it on one of the Fridays of Lent. To help with the day to day prayer during Lent you will find various guides at the back of the church that can be helpful when spending a few moments in church. Popping into the church on the way to and from school whether on your way to work, or picking up the children from school is a great way to give a few moments of your busy day to God and just relax in his company. Give it a go.

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark MA

Parish Clergy: Fr Thaddeus Nwokeji and Deacon Julian Burling

Also Resident: Fr Joseph Donkor

Team Members: Sr Francis SSA, Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU and Cristina Connolly

Youth Minister: Eleanor Bowman

Adult Faith Formation Officer: Kelly Hockey

REDUCE - REUSE RECYCLE

As a Parish we are keen to reduce our environmental impact and you will see that there are now new recycling bins in all the parish halls, offices and sacristy, including for the first time bins for recycling food waste. From now on, nothing will end up in landfill: whatever can't be recycled will be used to produce green energy. Please take a moment to work out what goes in each bin and don't forget to rinse plastic, metal and glass containers before putting them in the recycling bins. Best of all, of course, please try to reduce waste in the first place by cutting back on heavily packaged items and using real crockery and cutlery whenever possible, instead of disposable items. Thank you in advance for your help in making the new arrangements work. Any questions, please contact the Sacred Heart environment group, via sarah.tobin@btconnect.com

JESUIT MISSIONS

The latest edition of 'On the Edge', JM's regular bulletin, is available at the back of the church. It promotes Joel Thompson's SJ visit from Guyana, he will be visiting UK Jesuit schools in the coming weeks to talk about his work with indigenous people and the upcoming Pan-Amazonian synod.

JM Appeal

Joel will be speaking at all Masses at Sacred Heart this weekend as Jesuit Missions are holding their annual appeal. A heartfelt thank you for your continued support of their work.

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be an *At Home* on Monday 11 March from 7.30-9pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During the season of Lent the celebration of Stations of the Cross will start at 7.15pm

every Wednesday & Friday (after the 6.30pm Mass).

LENT DAY BY DAY

The Lent 2019 booklets 'My Day by Day' (for adults, juniors, infants) are still available at the back of the church and at the Presbytery Reception (£1 each).

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again this weekend.

EASTER CARDS

Mother's Day cards and Easter cards are now available at the Presbytery Reception.

Announcements

YOUTH GROUP

The SH Youth Group for those in y9+ will be meeting again today 10 March from 6-7.45pm in the Youth Room after the 5pm Mass. All are welcome. Please contact Eleanor for more details.

LENT FAST DAY

Family Fast Day for Lent 2019 is the 15 March. This Lent, CAFOD is working to help children suffering from hunger and malnutrition in Bangladesh where floods, droughts, and cyclones have damaged crops, homes, health and income. Please find CAFOD envelopes at the back of the church, they will be collected next weekend. To find out more about this Lent's appeal please visit www.cafod.org.uk/lent. Thank you for helping CAFOD to reach out to families in desperate need of support.

LENTEN TALKS

You are cordially invited to the second of our Lenten talks on Thursday 14 March led by Fr Peter Edmonds SJ: 'Preparing for Easter with Paul - Glimpses of an Apostle'. After each talk there will be scope for small group spiritual formation for those who express an interest. Further dates are Thursdays 21 & 28 March and 4 April from 7.30-8.30pm in the Upper Hall.

R.C.I.A.

Three members of our parish celebrated the Rite of Election at the Cathedral this Saturday 9 March. Jonathan Bell and Kevin Lamond will be baptised at the Easter Vigil and Dafydd Thomas will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church at the same ceremony. Please keep them in your prayers.

THE HEART PROJECT

The next planning meeting to discuss the community spon-

sorship of a refugee family will be in the Lounge at 7pm (start time) on Wednesday 13 March to review progress so far. Please come along even if you did not attend the first meeting.

FUNERAL

ARRANGEMENTS FOR FR MCGOWAN SJ

Fr McGowan's funeral will take place on Wednesday 13 March at 1pm in the church of Corpus Christi, Boscombe, BH5 2BX. For those who wish to travel by train the recommendation is: take the Weymouth train from Clapham Junction, departure 10.12am arriving 'Pokesdown for Boscombe' approx. 12.05pm, after leaving the station turn right and walk for 6 mins or take the bus 2 stops. There is the possibility of a minibus for 10 passengers, please contact Bill Sathananthan (07958 283 933) if interested.

Parish Organisations

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Next meeting: Friday 5 April, in the Parish Lounge, 'Be prepared!' Michael Orwell will talk on 'Scouting in Wimbledon, past and present.' Tea and cakes to follow. All welcome!

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, bin-

go, 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).

Social, Cultural & Notices

GENERATIONS TOGETHER IT CLINICS

This term's popular *IT Clinics* will be on Fridays 15, 22 & 29 March and 5 April at 12.45pm at the Ursuline High School. Knowledgeable girls provide excellent mobile phone, computer or laptop 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.

ST PATRICK'S BREAKFAST

Come and join in with some Irish music and good Irish breakfast next Sunday 17 March after 8.15am Mass - 1pm. All welcome! Calling Irish musicians and any Irish dancers willing to perform on the day! Also volunteers to help set up/serving/clearing! Please contact Louise Cooper at 07872 665947. (Donations towards the refurbishment of the Hall will be very welcome).

FUND RAISING IN MARCH

10 March: to mark this year's *World Book Day*, a 2nd hand book sale will be held today in the Upper Hall after all morning Masses.

30/31 March: 'A mile of loose change' in the Upper Hall after Saturday 6.30pm and all Sunday morning Masses. Please save your loose 1p, 2p etc coins and bring them to the hall where you can place them down on our masking tape to make a mile. If you got to the 5 or 8pm Masses please leave your coins at the Reception & we will place them for you.

All proceeds towards the orchestra for the concert on Saturday 22 June (Bach's B minor Mass) in support of the Sacred Heart Church Appeal.

VACANCY

St. Teresa's Home for The Elderly requires a PT Care Assistant, 25 hrs/week, includes weekends, prefera-

bly with experience (hours 8am - 1pm & 4pm - 9pm; subject to DBS checks). For full details please contact the office on 020 8879 7366 option 3, or info@stteresas-home.co.uk

ST JOHN PASSION

Bach's St John Passion. Holy Saturday, 20 April at 7.30pm, at St John's, SW19 4NZ: the acclaimed London chamber choir, Choir of the 21st Century, under the direction of Wimbledon conductor Max Barley, alongside distinguished soloists and players, perform J.S. Bach's St John Passion, as part of Wimbledon's marking of Passiontide. Tickets £24/16 (plus booking fee): <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bachs-st-john-passion-tickets-55758480115>, also available at the door if not sold out.

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.

MOZART REQUIEM

Sonoro are joined by Wimbledon Community Chorus and Wimbledon Symphony Orchestra for a concert event to celebrate music of Suppé, Bruckner, Tallis, MacMillan and Mozart on Saturday 30 March at 7pm at St Matthew's Church, SW20 0DE; tickets are £20 (£5 for under 16s) at 0333 666 3366 or www.sonoro-music.com

THE TABLET LECTURES

You are invited to two *The Tablet* events in conjunction with Stonyhurst College, the first led by Dr Michael Hurley on 'Weird Science and the Search for God: G.M Hopkins, A. Conan Doyle, J.R.R. Tolkien', on Thursday 14 March from 5.45-8.15pm. The second, a talk by Melanie McDonagh entitled 'The Role of Catholic Education in the Modern World' on Wednesday 20 March from 5.45-8.15pm. Both talks will be followed by Q&As, refreshments, book sales and signings at Farm Street Jesuit Church, 114 Mount St, W1K 3AH. For more info and booking please visit www.thetablet.co.uk/events or call 020 8748 8484.

Exploring our Faith

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

SH Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting in the church on Monday 11 March after the 6.30pm Mass for prayer, praise and worship. followed by a short Lenten talk and reflection. All are welcome. Any enquiries Audra (07958 782 779, audra.wamsteker@gmail.com).

A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to a *Day with Mary* on Saturday 23 March at 9.45am at St Bede's Catholic Church, Thornton Rd, SW12, with Entry Procession of Our Lady, Angelus, Crowning, Sung Litany, Mass, celebrant and preacher Fr Marcus Holden, sermon on Our Lady by Fr Gabriel Diaz Patri; finish at 5.30pm. For more information please visit www.adaywithmary.org

STUDY WEEKEND

The Dominican Youth Movement - English Province invites young adults (18-35) to a study weekend on *The Mystery of Human Happiness*; from Friday 29 - Sunday 31 March at Worth Abbey, Crawley RH10 4SB; £63 -£126 all included; for more information and to book please contact Kelly at the Parish Office (020 8946 0305).

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr J Donkor	11.15am Fr J Donkor
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 J Donkor

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	9	6.30pm	Patrick McNamee RIP
Mon	11	7.30am	Winnifred McMahon RIP
		10.00am	Barbara Johnston RIP
		6.30pm	Bernadette Reilly RIP
Tue	12	7.30am	Robert Brady RIP
		10.00am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		6.30pm	Anna Humphreys Ints.
Wed	13	7.30am	Connie Testa RIP
		10.00am	Rasa Lewis RIP
		6.30pm	Trevlyn Pereira RIP
Thu	14	7.30am	Moretti Family Ints.
		10.00am	Warren & Briege Ints.
		6.30pm	Baptista Family RIP
Fri	15	7.30am	Sr Patricia McCaffrey RIP
		10.00am	Sr Anne & Sr Charmaine Ints.
		12.30pm	Funeral for Kenechukwu Nwokoye
		6.30pm	Barbara Conner RIP
Sat	16	7.30am	Edna Fernandes RIP
		10.00am	Christopher Cooper RIP

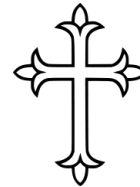
WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Fr McGowan SJ, Kenechukwu Nwokoye, Sr Dorothy Bell RSCJ, Tony Atkinson

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Cecilia Vaz, Eugene Byrne, Georg Belcher, Michael O'Riordan, Majorie O'Reilly, Margaret Thatcher, Hazel Beckingham, Josephine Sanico

The sick: Maureen Searle, Kieran Walsh, David Carrier, Paul Saunders, Carol Donnelly, Rita Westbrook, Mary Purcell Cosgrave, Damji Vadhia, Brian & Margaret Birch, Manjula Topno, Alina Hancock, Simon Hull, Doug Cusack, Lalita Nagar, Cath O'Neill, Trinity Kerin, Roberto Farina, 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 £1,523 in loose plate giving and £424 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £1,947. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

The second collection in support of poor parishes raised £1,032. Thank you for your generosity.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 12 March St Luigi Orione, Priest

Friday 15 March Lent Fast Day

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 XVII, Plainsong

Peccantem me quotidie, Cristobal de Morales

Scio quod enim Redemptor, Orlando di Lasso

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.