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Newsletter

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**Palm Sunday of the Passion
of the Lord**

**Holy Week
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Next Sunday's Readings

Easter Sunday

- Acts 10:37-43
- Ps 117:1-2.16-17. 22-23. R.v24
- Colossians 3:1-4
- John 20:1-9

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The Passion of the Lord

Today we begin our journey through the events of Holy Week, recalling the life death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Celebrity was as fickle in Jesus' time as it is today. The adulation of the crowd as they welcome Jesus into Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday would soon give way to the same crowd shouting for his blood on that first Good Friday. In the liturgies of this week we share in a mysterious way in the events that marked the last days of Jesus, from his entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, through the events of the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday. On Friday we stand with Mary and John at the foot of the



cross and witness the death of Jesus, his act of obedience to his Father in reparation for the sins of all of us. Listening to the words of scripture we wait in semi darkness for the moment of resurrection when the Easter Alleluia rings out and the church is lit by the light of the Easter candles. It is during the Easter Vigil that we baptise our catechumens and receive our candidates into the family of the Church.

Sunday we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord. Though it may seem that we are in church everyday in Holy Week we are actually sharing in one great liturgy that extends from Maundy Thursday to the Easter Vigil. The scene for this great liturgy is set for us by the events of Palm Sunday. That is why the first account of the Passion of Our Lord is read to us. If you haven't been too successful in keeping to your Lenten resolutions make a special effort this week as we share in the great act of Jesus redemptive love, in his death and resurrection.

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark MA

Parish Clergy: Fr Thaddeus Nwokeji and Deacon Julian Burling

Also Resident: Fr Joseph Donkor MA

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

Youth Minister: Eleanor Bowman

Adult Faith Formation Officer: Kelly Hockey

OBERAMMERGAU

If you are interested in a parish pilgrimage (in June or September 2020) to the Passion Play in Oberammergau and other religious sites in Bavaria (Regensburg, Munich) and Austria (Salzburg) please email your name & contact details to wimbledon@rcaos.org.uk putting *Oberammergau* in the subject line by Monday 15 April; costs: 6/7 nights with 1/2-board & Cat. 3 Passion Play tickets will be about £1,450 p/p (shared rooms), £1,710 (single rooms).

CELEBRATING MISSION

For volunteers and all interested in Mission there will be an opportunity to meet fellow volunteers/donors and to refresh your fundraising activities - with talks, films, prayer and reflection on Mission, on Saturday 4 May from 2-5.30pm in the Lounge. Talks by *Mill Hill Missionaries* and *Missio's* APF, Mass celebrated by Fr Tony Chantry MHM, Mission National Director; refreshments provided. For more info please contact Catherine Scott at 020 78219755 or general-office@missio.org.uk

THANK YOU

Simon Potter has been able to give Canon John a cheque for £1000 towards the Restoration Fund, and thanks those parishioners who helped raise this by buying "*Shooting Europe*". (The novel is available on Amazon as paperback or Kindle, if you have been toying with getting a copy!)

Parish News

AT HOME

Please note that there will be **no At Home** until Monday 13 May.

EASTER BOOKLET

Easter booklets informing about services during Holy Week are now available at the back of the church.

PENANCE SERVICE

A Holy Week Penance Service of prayer and scripture readings during which individuals will have the opportunity for sacramental confession and absolution will be celebrated on Mon 15 April at 7.30pm.

OFFICE & RECEPTION

OPENING HOURS

The Parish Office & Reception will be closed from 18 April until 23 April.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again on 27/28 April.

Announcements

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Children's Stations of the Cross will be held on Good Friday morning 19 April at 11am with a rehearsal at 9.15 am. Actors age 4+ and readers age 8+ please email rachel@marshallemail.net. Adult helpers greatly appreciated!

CHURCHES TOGETHER

Once again there will be a Procession and service of Christian Witness organised by *Churches Together in W-Wimbledon* and you are all warmly invited to take part: Raynes Park on Good Friday 19 April gather at 9.45am for a 10am start at Raynes Park Methodist Church, 195

Worple Road, SW20 8ET; the walk will wander through Raynes Park with stops for live stories of the Passion of Christ and finishing with readings at Raynes Park Station; hot coffee & hot cross buns will be served after the service.

VENERATION OF THE CROSS

On Good Friday, during the solemn liturgy, please follow the instructions of the ushers for the veneration of the Cross. There will be one single Cross that we will venerate in groups.

The celebration of the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday will start at 6.30pm and is staged by the Youth Group.

R.C.I.A.

Members of our parish will be baptized and received into full communion with the Church during the Easter Vigil. Please keep Jonathan Bell, Kevin Lamond, Dafydd Thomas, John Barnes and Hye Kyeong Orthova in your prayers at this special time.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

On Divine Mercy Sunday 28 April at 2pm, St Joseph's Catholic Church, KT3 3QW New Malden, is holding a Divine Mercy Service with stations of the Cross, Devotion of the Divine Mercy image, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, finishing with Benediction at 3.50pm.

Parish Organisations

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION GROUP

Wildflower garden in the church grounds! The children of the parish are invited after the 9.45am Family Mass on Easter Sunday to scatter the first seeds on the church grounds, that have been prepared during the last weeks. Please contact marion.noble@hotmail.co.uk for more information.

TRAIDCRAFT

Fairly traded goods will be on sale this Sunday morning. There will be a lot of half-price bargains as well as the usual favourites.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Outing to the RHS Gardens at Wisley on Friday 10 May. Leave SH at 10.45am and return by 4pm; cost: £12.20 pp for a group entry ticket. (RHS members free). For further details or to sign

up contact Judy Ruston on 020 8947 1658.

Date for your Diaries: Summer Lunch on Friday 7 June. We will be selling tickets in due course.

KEEP FIT

Tuesday evenings from 7-7.45pm, term time in the Lower Hall; come & give it a try, stretch & tone; for more info please contact Anne at anne_hartnett@icloud.com.

Social, Cultural & Notices

RACE NIGHT

Race Night: Saturday 27 April at 7.30pm in the Upper Hall, tickets £5 (available after Mass or from sheenamacd@btinternet.com) including a glass of Prosecco; bar or bring your own.

'OUT OF THIS WORLD'

Tickets are now available for the Special Gala Concert presented by the London Accordion Orchestra with musical stars from the Sacred Heart Parish on Organ, Piano, Strings and Percussion and Katy's Songbirds Choir on Saturday 18 May at 3pm in our church. Tickets £15 (conc. £10) from the Parish Office or via www.eventbrite.ca/e/lao-gala-concert-tickets-58805618187

We are looking for sponsors towards the running costs of this concert event, please contact Louise Cooper for more info if you are able to

help (louise@ginghamhearts.plus.com). [AlainvanWest-1](#)

The Wombls will make an appearance after Masses this Sunday 14 April.

ORGAN RECITAL

Today 14 April, our organist David Gammie is giving a special Holy Week recital at Westminster Cathedral, SW1P 1QW, playing the dramatic *Symphonie de la Passion* by the Belgian composer Paul de Maleingreau. Starting around 4.40pm, preceded by Solemn Vespers at 3.30, and followed by sung Mass at 5.30pm.

LONDON MARATHON

Parishioner Alain van West will be running this year's London Marathon on April 28th to raise funds for Jesuit Missions. In the past parishioners have been very kind and generous in sponsorship of our marathon runners. If you would like to support Alain, please visit <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/>

EDGE HILL PLAYERS

Following the success of *Cinderella*, the Edge Hill Players have been able to make 2 sizeable donations to the Parish: £3,000 towards the Church Restoration Fund and £2,000 for use of the parish halls. The Edge Hill Players are very grateful to Canon John Clark & the Parish team for allowing them to use the halls so freely and thus provide inexpensive entertainment to a wide audience. The next production will be the romantic-comedy musical *Singing in the Rain*, which will be performed in September 2019. Further info from our website www.edgehillplayers.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.

ST JOHN PASSION

Bach's St John Passion. Saturday 20 April at 7.30pm, at St John's, SW19 4NZ: London chamber choir, Choir of the 21st Century, under the direction of Max Barley 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>

RICH HOUSE POOR HOUSE

Emporium Productions, a TV company producing the runaway hit documentary 'Rich House Poor House' for Channel 5 are looking for families to take part in the summer. The ambition of the programme is to look at how money matters to happiness through the eyes of two families experiencing life at the other end of the wealth divide; the series is insightful with a genuine purpose, heart-warming and uplifting, thought-provoking: the two families in each programme have shared values and common ground that they discover across the week's swap. For more info please contact Olivia on 020 7184 7741.

Exploring our Faith

A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to a *Day with Mary* on Saturday 27 April at 10am at the Church of the Holy Apostles, Winchester Street, SW1V, with Entry Procession of Our Lady, Angelus, Crowning, Sung Litany, Mass, celebrant and preacher Fr Charles Soyombo, sermon on Our Lady by Fr Stewart Foster; finish at 5.30pm. For more information please visit www.adaywithmary.org

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

You are invited to 2 one-day workshops, one on Sat 27 April from 11am-4pm facilitated by Mike Smith SJ on 'The Loving Kindness of Our

God - who sets us free' and the 2nd on Sat 4 May from 11am-4pm led by Andrew Kerr-Jarrett on 'Journaling as Prayer'. Please visit www.mountstreet.info for more info, booking; suggested donation for one-day workshops is £30, but all activities are open to everyone. 114 Mount Street W1K 3AH.

LHBMS

The *Love Heals Body Mind and Spirit* Ministry invites you to a 7-day Retreat at Mem Soares, Castelo De Vide, Retreat House, Portugal from 5-11 September. The cost will be £640.00 to include the following: return scheduled

flights: T.A.P. Portugal (LHR - Lisbon) return coach transfers from airport to retreat, full board (3 meals/day); 1-day excursion to Fatima, Castelo De Vide, Mass at the Cathedral of Portalegre, visit to Blessed Chapel of Our Lady of Penha, visit to lakes situated in the National Park, last day visit to Lisbon: St Anthony's birthplace and Lisbon Cathedral, full retreat programme, daily Mass. Please secure your booking now, to make sure you get a place: email: lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com website: www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 13 6.30pm Sr Alexandra Dias RIP
Mon 15 7.30am Dced Members of Hearty Family RIP
10.00am Helen O'Keefe RIP
6.30pm Come and See Ministries
Tue 16 7.30am Patricia Chale Ints.
10.00am Funeral Mass for Elizabeth Drury
6.30pm Newton Fernandes RIP
Wed 17 7.30am Eamon McCluskey RIP
10.00am Jerry Santry RIP
6.30pm John Pereira RIP
Thu 18 10.00am Samar Staussi Ints.
8.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Fri 19 3.00pm Good Friday Solemn Liturgy
Sat 20 8.00pm Easter Vigil

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Patrick Morrissey, Ellen Mayo, Elizabeth Drury, Ragna Ekeroth, Damaris Potter, Doug Cusack

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: David Foxley, Patricia Mitchell, Winifred Parker

The sick: Jacinta Mistry, Jean Marie Hook, Richard Conceicao, Margaret Lyons, Sheila Soodin, Peggy Tolmie, 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, Lalita Nagar, Cath O'Neill, Trinity Kerin, Roberto Farina, Andrew Tan, Tom Searle, John Burke-Gaffney, Donald Derx, Margaret Lumley, Electa Almeida, Brian Sewell

Please note that for data protection reasons, since the 25th of May 2018 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 £1,615 in loose plate giving and £423 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,038. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

The second collection in support of 'Beyond the Wild' raised £1,201. Many thanks for your generosity.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 17 April Chrism Mass at the Cathedral: blessing of the Oil of the Sick and of the Oil of Catechumens, consecration of the Chrism
Easter Triduum: Maundy Thursday; Good Friday (fasting and abstinence, collection for the Holy Places); the Lenten fast continues until the Easter Vigil

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

Hosanna filio David, Plainchant

17- *All glory laud and honour*

Christus factus est, Felice Anerio

S,A, Mass XVIII

Pueri Hebraeorum, G.P. da 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.