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Newsletter

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Next Sunday's Readings

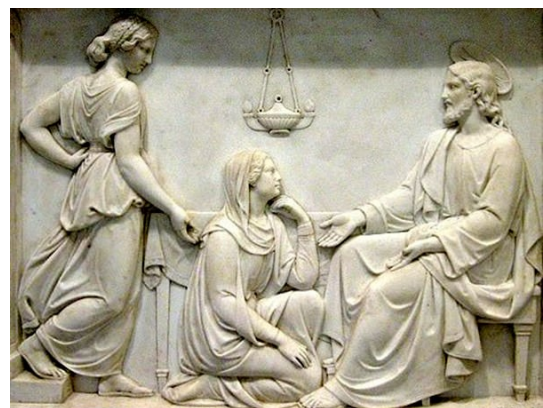
- Genesis 18:20-32
- Ps. 137:1-3.6-8.R.v3
- Colossians 2:12-14
- Luke 11:1-13

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Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World

In today's gospel we have a typical family scene. Martha has a sudden influx of visitors all expecting to be entertained, Mary, her sister, instead of giving a hand and helping her get the meal ready, places herself at the feet of Jesus to listen to his teachings. You get a real sense of frustration on Martha's part as she is left to get on with things and without Mary's help. You can sense Martha's annoyance with Mary. She even approaches Jesus himself to ask him to tell Mary to give her a hand, but he uses the opportunity to give a teaching that where there is a choice it is



better to be silent in the presence of the Lord than to be busy about the cares of this world. It seems a hard thing to say. We feel sorry for Martha who was trying to do everything to make her guests comfortable and fed, without her sister's help. She might have expected Mary to give a hand, but Mary is comforted by the words of Jesus giving her permission to stay

and listen to his teachings. Poor Martha is left to get on with it. And the lesson for us? We, too, are called to prioritise our time as Jesus points out. Time spent with him in prayer is not time misspent. It should take precedence over the day to day demands on our time. We are each of us a Martha or a Mary, both called to give him time in our lives, if in different ways.

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark MA

Parish Clergy: Fr Joseph Donkor MA and Deacon Julian Burling

Also Resident: Fr Francis Jayapathy SJ

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

Youth Minister: Eleanor Bowman

Adult Faith Formation Officer: Kelly Hockey

SIGNED & SPOKEN MASS

A signed & spoken Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 28 July at 4pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church. All with hearing difficulties welcome! Please note that there will be no signed and spoken Mass in August. The next signed Mass will then be celebrated on September 22nd.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all parishioners who kindly donated rosaries for South America.

FIRST FRIDAY VIGIL OF PRAYER

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and for World Peace will be on Friday 2 August starting after the 6.30pm Mass continuing to midnight. Silent prayer to 8.30pm followed by meditations and prayers. Please come, if only for a short visit.

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIAGES

Is your marriage stressed, unloving, cold? Do you want to improve your communication? Have you separated, divorced, are you thinking of doing so? Do you want to try again?

The *Retrouvaille* programme may be just what you need! Next programme commences with a weekend 13 - 15 September, for more information call or send a text to 0788 729 6983 or 0797 338 0443 (complete confidentiality assured). Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com website: www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be no *At Home* until September. If you wish to see Canon John over the summer months please call the Parish Office and an appointment can be arranged.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again after the summer break.

NEWSLETTER

Please note this is the last one before the summer break. We will resume NL distribution on the weekend of 31 August/1 September.

Announcements

FR TED'S INDUCTION MASS

Fr Ted's Induction into his parish of Ss Austin and Gregory with St Anne in Margate, Kent CT9 1LP, will be celebrated on Friday 20 September at 7pm. There will be a coach leaving at 4pm from the Sacred Heart Church travelling to Margate and departing at around 9pm from there for an approx. 10.30pm arrival back at Edge Hill. Parishioners who are interested to go should register and pay for their seat (£13 per person) at the Parish Office by Tuesday 10 September.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please can families who are interested in the First Holy Communion course for 2019-2020 sign the full registration form on the parish website which is newly put up and includes some details of dates.

HEART PROJECT

We have been offered furniture for the refugee project and are now urgently looking for somewhere to store things before we find a house. If you have space, or at best a single garage, that is available now - late September, thank you for letting us

know: dthurst52@gmail.com

PRUDENTIAL RIDE

This year's festival of cycling will take place during the weekend of 3/4 August. Roads and bridges will be affected across London and Surrey; detailed information for this event is available online at <https://www.prudentialridelondon.co.uk/> Please note that there will be **no** Sunday Mass at the Sacred Heart Mass Centre on Sunday 4 August.

Parish Organisations

YOUNG ADULTS

The next *Young Adults* social will be on Friday 26 July where we will join the 6.30pm Mass and then head to a local pub! Please contact Eleanor for more info (eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk).

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

On Saturday 27 July from 10.30-11.30am, in the Parish Lounge. The Bereavement Team invites everyone experiencing loss in their lives, no matter how long ago, to drop in for a coffee and a chat.

For more info call 020 8946 5198 or see the website.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 2 August 2.30pm in the Lounge: '*Romero - Heartbeat of El Salvador*' the inspirational true story of St Oscar Romero; 75-mins film of the original 2018 stage production. Tea & cakes.

Friday 6 September 2.30 pm in the Lounge: Poetry afternoon with Wendy Tansey and friends.

MEMORY LANE CLUB

Every Wednesday morning from 10.30am-12.30pm in the Parish Lounge. Open to everyone who suffers from memory loss/dementia and their carers. Refreshments, chat, bingo, music as well as various activities available - all in an informal, friendly and fun atmosphere. edgehillmemorylaneclub@gmail.com or Jenny (07906 856 183), Charlotte (07714 702 735).

Social, Cultural & Notices

EDGE HILL PLAYERS MUSIC QUIZ

Edge Hill Players Music Quiz Night - Friday 30th August at 7.30 pm.

In order to help defray the cost of staging *Sining' in the Rain*, the Edge Hill Players will be holding a Music Quiz Night in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Edge Hill, SW19 4LU on Friday 30 August at 7.30 pm. Tickets £15 per person (includes pizza!), pay bar available. Book at www.edgehillplayers.com. Come and test your knowledge with friends and family!

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

There will be two walks, the first one on Wednesday 24 July at 7pm and one on Sunday 28 July at 3pm through Richmond with its varied Tudor history. The walk will lead along the river to Grey Court House, the childhood home of Blessed John Henry Newman. Meet at St Elizabeth's Church, The Vineyard, TW10 6AQ. Nearest station and Tube: Richmond. Please wear suitable footwear; for more information please visit www.catholichistorywalks.com.

DEPAUL UK

Depaul UK is hosting an Open Day Friday 6 September 12 noon - 3pm at Lambeth Palace Gardens, normally closed to the public, with all profit from the day going to the charity. Tickets are £5 available from Marie-Claire Acton at Depaul (020 7939 1279), through Eventbrite or on the day, children free, dogs welcome. Refreshments available to buy. Activities include a nature walk, tombola, music etc. Using public transport is recommended as no parking will be provided.

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.

Exploring our Faith

DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE

There will be a Divine Mercy retreat led by Marian Fathers on Saturday 27 July at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, New Priory, Quex Road, NW6 4PS starting at 9.30am until 3pm. All welcome.

On Bank Holiday Monday 26 August the Marian Fathers are holding a Divine Mercy pilgrimage to the shrine of our Lady at Aylesford Priory from 10am-5pm, led by Bishop Patrick Lynch. Coaches from Westminster Cathedral at 7.15am (contact Emmanuel on 07721 362 000), for more information & booking email info@divine-mercy.org.uk.

A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to *A Day with Mary* on Saturday 27 July at St Peter, Victoria Drive, SW19 6AD; starting at 10am with Entry Procession of Our Lady, Angelus, Crowning,

sung Litany, Mass in honour of Our Lady; Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Philip de Freitas, Sermons on Our Lady by Fr Michael Sileshi and Fr Carlo Mazzotta; finish at 5.15pm. For full information visit www adaywithmary.org.

MEDJUGORJE GROUP PILGRIMAGE

28 August - 4 September, £569, 7 night pilgrimage package departing from LGW, full religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages Medjugorje Team. For more information please contact Angela Callan 07975 617333 or 020 8460 7789, angelacallan@hotmail.com.

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT

There are still a few vacancies left for the 7-day Retreat at Mem Soares, Castelo De Vide, Retreat House, Portugal from 5-11 Sept. The cost will be £640.00 (return scheduled flights: LHR-LIS,

coach transfers, full board (3 meals/day), one-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, Lisbon Cathedral, full retreat programme, daily Mass. Please email lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com or call 020 8542 2476 for booking. There will be a one-day Retreat of quiet reflection on Sat 27 July 11am - 4pm at the Catholic Church of Our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR: Rosary, Latin Mass Lunch (please bring your own lunch - tea & coffee available), Scripture Talk, Christian Meditation, Blessed Adoration, Healing Prayers, Praise & Worship. (www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com) .

A SHARED JOURNEY OF FAITH

If you are interested in exploring the Christian faith within the Catholic Church you are welcome to journey with us through weekly meetings held in the Parish Lounge. The post summer meetings resume on Monday 9 September.

For more information please take a leaflet from the back of the church entitled R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults into the Catholic Church).



CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

SH Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting in the Youth Room for an evening of prayer, praise and worship on Monday 22 July at 7.30pm. They will continue to study the Epistle to the Ephesians. All are welcome. For enquiries please contact Audra (07958 782 779 or audra.wamsteker@gmail.com)

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr J Donkor 11.15am Fr J Donkor
8.15am Fr F Jayapathy SJ 12.45pm Fr F Jayapathy SJ
8.30am* Fr J Donkor 5.00pm Fr J Donkor
9.45am Fr A Atsikim SJ 8.00pm Fr F Jayapathy SJ

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 20 6.30pm Viktor Neblyah Ints.
Mon 22 7.30am Ray Bergin Ints.
10.00am Frank Quinn RIP
6.30pm Hugh & Bridie McManus
Tue 23 7.30am Tony Boyce Ints.
10.00am Dced Members of the McGurk Family
6.30pm Michael King RIP
Wed 24 7.30am St Anthony Ints.
10.00am David Sundracanthy RIP
6.30pm Mary Teresa Campbell RIP
Thu 25 7.30am Queen of Peace Ints.
10.00am William Holder RIP
6.30pm John & Mary O'Mahony RIP
Fri 26 7.30am Josephine Deane Ints.
10.00am Brian O'Carroll RIP
6.30pm Niall Callan RIP
Sat 27 7.30am Denis Geoghegan RIP
10.00am James O'Meara RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Jean Marie Hook, David Young, Patricia Doyle

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Guiliano Zarri, Florence Nwokeji, Edgar Xuereb, Laurence Millar, John Milward, Francis Shannon, David Winterbourne, Olive Jean Addy, Emma Dusauzay

The sick: John Kennedy, Mary Ann Williams, Maria Keaveney-Jessiman, Pio Fernandes, Annette Wheatley, Paul Jong, Richard Conceicao, Sheila Soodin, Maureen Searle, Kieran Walsh, Paul Saunders, Carol Donnelly, Mary Purcell Cosgrave, Damji Vadhia, Brian & Margaret Birch, Manjula Topno, Alina Hancock, Simon Hull, Lalita Nagar, Cath O'Neill, Trinity Kerin, Andrew Tan, Tom Searle, John Burke-Gaffney, Donald Derx, Margaret Lumley, Electa Almeida, Brian Sewell

Please note that for data protection reasons, individuals must 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 sick list.



COLLECTIONS

Collection at Mass last Sunday came to £1,504 in loose plate giving and £545 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,049. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

The second collection in support of the AoS raised £1,344. Many thanks for your generosity.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Monday 22 July St Mary Magdalene
Tuesday 23 July St Bridget of Sweden, Patron of Europe
Wednesday 24 July St Charbel Makhluof, Priest
Thursday 25 July St James, Apostle
Friday 26 July Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of the BV Mary

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 brevis, Andrea Gabieli

Teach me O Lord, William Byrd

Jesu, dulcis memoria, Tomás Luis de Victoria

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 or contact Anne Waldron (Chair) at anne@annewaldron.com or 07886 034 323

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.