



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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## Newsletter

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### Next Sunday's Readings

- Amos 32:7-11. 13-14
- Ps 112:1-2,4-8. R.cf.vv1,7
- Timothy 2:1-8
- Luke 16:1-13

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## Annual Retreat

### FR TED - MARGATE

Fr Ted's induction into his parish of Ss Austin & Gregory with St Anne in Margate, will be celebrated on Friday 20 Sept. at 7pm at St Anne's, Cliftonville, CT9 2JB. There will be a coach leaving at 4pm from the Sacred Heart Church travelling to Margate and departing at 9pm from there for an approx. 10.30pm arrival back at Edge Hill. There are a few seats (£13 pp) left on the coach, please call the Parish Office before Tuesday 17 Sept to secure your place.

### RETREAT

There is always the need to take a step back from our daily lives and find time for God. It is a time to recharge our spiritual



batteries and a time to renew ourselves, to face the coming year.

Priests are expected to make an annual retreat and this year, Fr John will be making his retreat at the Kairos Retreat Centre in Roehampton next week. The retreat starts on Monday afternoon and continues to Friday. Do please remember him in your prayers that he will be renewed in his service and ministry in the parish.

### A WORD OF THANKS

A special word of thanks to all who gave up so much of their time to prepare and present the latest production of the Edgehill Players, *Singin' in the rain*. It was yet again a professional performance and amazing in their presentation. We are so fortunate to have such a talent in the parish and one that brings together parishioners of all ages. We look forward to their next production - our Christmas Panto!

### 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

## SECOND COLLECTION

Today is *Home Mission Sunday*, today's second collection provides the Bishops of England and Wales with resources to support *Home Mission*, the spread of the Gospel in our own country. The money collected enables a breadth of work to be done in support of parish evangelisation.

## SIGNED & SPOKEN MASS

A signed & spoken Mass will be celebrated today 22 September at 4pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

## CAR PARK

### WIMBLEDON COLLEGE

This is to inform you that the bottom gate of Wimbledon College car park will close promptly at 8pm on Saturdays to allow for parishioners to collect their cars. On Sundays, access to the bottom gate for parking will be from 9am-2.15pm, promptly.

## MORNING PRAYER

We continue the celebration of Morning Prayer from the Divine Office each Wednesday morning in the Sacred Heart Chapel at 9.40am before the 10am Mass.

## JESUIT MISSIONS

The latest edition of 'On the Edge', JM's regular bulletin, is available at the back of the church informing about *Instruments of Creation*, a concert on Friday 11 October at 7.30pm at the Sacred Heart Church when Jesuit schools Donhead Preparatory, St John's Beaumont and Wimbledon College join the Dionysus Ensemble to perform their own compositions to highlight the current climate crisis. Register your free ticket by searching Jesuit Missions on Eventbrite.

## Parish News

### AT HOME

Please note that there will be **no At Home** on Monday 16 September.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again this weekend.

### FIRE HAZARDS

For safety reasons and to prevent fire hazards please **ONLY** use the candle stands for your votive candles and **DO NOT** place candles anywhere else in the church!

### FR JOSEPH DONKOR

Just a short notice to let you know that Fr Joseph Donkor will be on leave from next week for a month.

## Announcements

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Families who are interested in the First Holy Communion course for 2019/20 sign up on the parish website and await further info via email or future newsletters.

Today there will be a FHC 2018/19 cohort celebration Mass at 9.45am, children are invited to come in their FHC outfits, it will be a normal Mass, normal seating, no procession and a party afterwards in the Lower Hall with a 'bring a plate to share'. Families of this coming year's FHC programme are cordially invited to join the party.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our Children's Liturgy programme resumes this Sunday. We run a wonderful programme during 9.45am

Family Masses (term time). There are 2 groups, DOVES (children must be accompanied by an adult, session in the Lower Hall) for children up to year 2, and EAGLES (session in the Lounge, accompanied by the catechists) for year 3 and above. All children will return to the church during the offertory. Dates as follows:

September 15th, 29th

October 13th

November 10th, 24th

December 1st, 15th, 22nd

January 12th, 26th

February 9th

March 1st, 8th, 29th

May 10th, 17th

June 7th, 21st

July 5th

We hope to see as many children as possible, for further info please visit the parish website.

### NEWMAN CIRCLE

Next Newman Circle meeting: Wednesday 18 September at 7.30pm in the Lounge when Fr Gerard Mitchell SJ will give a talk on the *Examen*. The Examen, finding God in all things: the Examen is a prayerful reflection from the *Spiritual Exercises* which can have a powerful impact on the lives of those who use it. It consists of setting time aside each day (for Ignatius twice a day, at midday and the end of the day) to reflect prayerfully on the events of the day and where God has been in those events. *with his gifts and calling.*

## Parish Organisations

### YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group for those in y10+ will meet again this Sunday. They meet in the Youth Room from 6-7.45pm and all are welcome. Please contact Eleanor [eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk) for more details.

### YOUNG ADULTS

Our next young adults will take place on Saturday 28 September. We will be going

for an autumnal walk to Richmond through Wimbledon Common & Richmond Park, leaving from Sacred Heart Church at 2pm. To register, please email Eleanor: [eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:eleanor.bowman@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk)

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The Friendship Group invites you to join us on our palm-fringed tropical island for Desert Island Discs on

Friday 4 October at 2.30pm in the Lounge. All castaways welcome!

### MANNA SOCIETY

The Manna Centre at Melior Street supports the many homeless in that area with the opportunity to get food, clothing and medical care. Any donations of dried or canned food, toiletries, men's clothing etc. can be left in the green bins inside the Lower Hall.

## Social, Cultural & Notices

### BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE

A day in which married couples can explore their relationship more deeply and gain valuable insights into their communication and the call of the Church to the married: Saturday 28 September at St Columba's Church Hall, CR2 8DW, from 9.45am-4.30pm (£10/couple - suggested donation, bring a packed lunch), for booking please contact Carole Batty (07983 524727 or [mflkent@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflkent@rcaos.org.uk)).

### POEMS FROM DREAM AND NIGHTMARE

Simon Potter's latest: *Dark Lines - poems from dream and nightmare*. 50% of sales will go to Sacred Heart Church Appeal available now from Amazon, £10 paperback, £4.99 Kindle - see

[www.simonpotterauthor.com](http://www.simonpotterauthor.com)). Simon's novel *Shooting Europe* generated £1,000 for the appeal so far, also from Amazon.

### SPONSORED WALK

*Christian Aid* invites you to a family friendly sponsored walk on Saturday 28 September, which takes along the River Thames. Come and explore some of the finest sites along the Thames path, including Terrace Gardens and Ham House Gardens. Meet at St Matthias Church TW10 6LL, registration at 9.30am, the walk begins at 10.30am and ends at 3pm. By walking and raising funds you can help to transform the lives of communities where *Christian Aid* works. For more information please email [rpw@christian-aid.org](mailto:rpw@christian-aid.org) or call 020 7523 2044.

### URSULINE PREP

Ursuline Preparatory School is a Roman Catholic Independent School for girls aged 4-11 and a Co-educational Nursery located in The Downs, Wimbledon. The School's next Open Day is Thursday 10 October 9.30-11.30am. Register online [www.ursulineprep.org/openday](http://www.ursulineprep.org/openday) or call Mrs June Smith on 020 8947 0859 Ext 2.

### WEST BARNES SINGERS

You are invited to a Singing Workshop led by Colette Boushell on Saturday 12 October, 10.15am-1.15pm at New Malden Methodist Church, 49 High Street, KT3 4BY. Singers of all availabilities are welcome to learn how to make the most of their voice. Cost £15.

### 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.

### VACANCIES

The Holy Cross School, Kingston is in the process of re-advertising for a PT Learning Support Assistant and a Cover Supervisor (from November 2019 to April 2020). To apply, please visit the school's website and download a CES School Support Staff application form ([www.holycross.kingston.sch.uk](http://www.holycross.kingston.sch.uk)). Closing Date is Monday 16 September.

Wimbledon College are advertising for a Receptionist. Please contact the HR Officer on 020 8879 9323 or see website [www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk](http://www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk) (about us/job opportunities) for full details. Closing date Wednesday 18 September.

## Exploring our Faith

### LHBM

Love Heals Body Mind & Spirit Ministry warmly invites you to their mission brunch: The Charities Mission is to raise funds to purchase a retreat house in Portugal for religious retreats and for drug and alcohol rehabilitation and for families in crisis at Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Saturday 21 Sep from 12noon-3pm, brunch: 1 - 2pm in the Lower Hall; to book please call 028 542 2476 or email [lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com](mailto:lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com)

### A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to *A Day with Mary* on Saturday 28 September at the English Martyrs, Strood, Kent ME2 4JA start-

ing at 9.15am with a Fatima DVD presentation in the church hall; Entry Procession of Our Lady, Angelus, Crowning, sung Litany, Mass in honour of Our Lady; Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Tom Lynch, Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Linus Clovis; finish at 5.30pm. For more info please visit [www adaywithmary.org](http://www adaywithmary.org).

### DIVINE MERCY DAY OF PRAYER

You are invited to a Divine Mercy Day of Prayer invoking the intercession of Our Lady of Walsingham at Westminster Cathedral led by Bishop John Keenan, Fr Dominic Allain, Fr Derek Hyett and others on Satur-

day 28 September from 9.30am-4.30pm. For more information and full programme please contact Antonia ([antonia@walsingham.org.uk](mailto:antonia@walsingham.org.uk))

### 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!

### 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 on Mondays in the Parish Lounge. 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).

### CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr J Donkor      11.15am Fr J Donkor  
8.15am Fr M Barnes SJ      12.45pm Fr Kinga SJ  
8.30am\* Fr F Jayapathy SJ      5.00pm Canon J Clark  
9.45am Fr Paul Soukup SJ      8.00pm Fr T Byron SJ

\* SH School Mass Centre

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 14 6.30pm Michael & Noel Meehan RIP  
Mon 16 7.30am Medjugorje Shepherds  
10.00am Papal Nuncio in Medjugorje  
6.30pm Elizabeth O'Connor RIP  
Tue 17 7.30am Elena Andreetto RIP  
10.00am Blessing of Wedding  
6.30pm Sally D'Costa Ints.  
Wed 18 7.30am Alfred Jessiman RIP  
10.00am Maureen Stromborg RIP  
6.30pm Medjugorje Pilgrims Ints.  
Thu 19 7.30am Medjugorje School of Prayer Ints.  
10.00am David Allen RIP  
6.30pm Alice & Daniel Hickey RIP  
Fri 20 7.30am Medjugorje Apostolate Ints.  
10.00am William Holder RIP  
6.30pm Massimo RIP  
Sat 21 7.30am Teodora Owczarek RIP  
10.00am Frances Feeley RIP

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** Zigmund Sobacki

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Sean Patrick Finnerty, Mavis Moriarty, Roy Haslehurst, David Ryan, Rosemary Zarri, Donald Millar Keith, Maureen Coleman Stromborg

**The sick:** Lucy Melkees, Desmond Worth, John Kennedy, Mary Ann Williams, Maria Keaveney-Jessiman, Annette Wheatley, Paul Jong, Richard Conceicao, Sheila Soodin, Maureen Searle, Kieran Walsh, Colin Sims, Paul Saunders, Carol Donnelly, Mary Purcell Cosgrave, Damji Vadhia, Margaret Birch, Manjula Topno, Alina Hancock, Simon Hull, Lalita Nagar, Cath O'Neill, 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 £1,720 in loose plate giving and £576 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,296. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

The second collection in support of the CES raised £1,077. Thank you for your generosity!

### FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

**Mon 16 September** Ss Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop; Martyrs

**Tue 17 September** St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**Wed 18 September** St Edith of Kensing

**Thu 19 September** St Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop

**Fri 20 September** St Andrew Taegön & Paul Chõng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

### 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 in C*, Richard R. Terry

*The Lord is my shepherd*, Martin How

### 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](mailto:sacredheartwimbledonppc@gmail.com) or contact Anne Waldron (Chair) at [anne@annewaldron.com](mailto: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](mailto: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.

[St George's Hospital Chaplaincy: Fr Mark Higgins (020 8725 3069)]