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Newsletter

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Next Sunday's Readings
Twenty-Eighth Sunday (C)

- Kings 5:14-17
- Psalm 97:1-4
- 2 Timothy 2:8-13
- Luke 17:11-19

Upcoming Events

October

- Mon, Tue, Thu 5.30-6.30pm, Rosary, church

Friday 7 October

- Friendship Group, Movie, 2.30pm, Lounge
- Adoration Service after the 6.30pm Mass, Church

'Lord, increase our faith to do your will'

Many people approached Jesus for help as he went around the villages. In today's gospel the apostles asked him to 'increase their faith'.

With good reason did the apostles ask for this.

They struggled to bring themselves to accept the advice of Jesus that: 'Giving offence is a sin and that the disciples are to avoid and carefully watch against'. We are all on a journey of faith; we can

all hope to see those greater things that Jesus promises the apostles: 'Were your faith the size of mustard seed you could



say to this mulberry tree'; 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea, and it would obey you. Let's apply this to our own daily life, as Jesus does.

The second reading articulates the power of faith very positively and simply: Never to be ashamed of wit-

nessing to the Lord. It is faith in God, faith in his love, faith in his fidelity, compassion and loving kindness that makes it possible for us to be welcoming and supportive. Yet with those who tried and failed he was full of sympathy and compassion.

Fr Joseph Donkor

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark

Parish Clergy: Fr Joseph Donkor, Fr Matthew Donnelly, Deacon Julian Burling and Deacon Shaun Crocker

Team members: Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU, Sr Francis SSA

Faith Minister (Children, Young People & Families): Eleanor Bowman

PRISONERS' SUNDAY

Next Sunday, 9 October, is Prisoners' Sunday. We will remember prisoners and their families at Masses next weekend. *Pact* (Prison Advice & Care Trust), the national Catholic charity for prisons, supports prisoners and their families in our Archdiocese and nationally, responding to Jesus' words, "I was in prison, and you visited me..." (Matt. 25:36). There will be a second collection to support *Pact's* important work in the year ahead.

Thank you for your support of this cause.

SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY

School of Community is the catechesis proposed by Communion and Liberation (CL) local community every Friday at 7.30pm in the Lounge.

It is a moment of education and fellowship to help develop the experience of the encounter with Christ throughout the charism of CL in the Church. For more details on our local weekly meetings please contact soc.wimbledon@gmail.com

For more information about the School of Community please see <https://uk.clonline.org/school-of-community>

JESUIT MISSIONS STAMP CUTTING

Volunteers needed to help trim & sort used stamps to raise money for JM: Thursday 6 October from 9.30am-12.30pm - coffee provided. Please bring your own scissors, enquiries to Tim Everson (tim.everson@btinternet.com) or just turn up at: 11 Edge Hill, SW19 4 LR.

Parish News

OCTOBER MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of *Our Lady of the Rosary* is celebrated annually on October 7.

In this month of October, let us consider this beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a

means that we can use in order to draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation.

During the month of October, Rosary will be said in the church on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 5.30-6.30pm.

MERTON WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

... needs volunteers in the Lower Hall over the Christmas period and for Thursday evenings from 26 January to 9 March. For details and specific times over Christmas, please email your interest to David at dthurst52@gmail.com. Thanks to all past Night Shelter volunteers in 2019 and 2020.

Announcements

SIGNING OF SCHOOL FORMS

Fr Joseph will be available to sign school forms in the Lower Hall on Tuesday 11 October at 7.15 - 9pm.

SACRED HEART DEVOTION GROUP

The group is organising an Adoration Service in the church on Friday 7 October, the first Friday of the month, after the 6.30pm Mass. There will be devotional prayer held on Saturday 8 October after 10am Mass at the chapel of the Sacred Heart in the church. All are welcome to join the group to adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S SEMINARY, WONERSH

Bishop Richard Moth, President of the St John's Association cordially invites you to a celebratory Mass at St George's Cathedral, at 12.30pm on Tue 25 Oct. This will be followed by luncheon in the Amigo Hall (cost of meal is £35 payable by cheque: St Gabriel's, Billingshurst, send to Canon T Madeley, 18 East Street, Billingshurst, West Sussex RH14 9QH) or online (account: St Gabriel SC: 40-05-20 Nr: 51076779 Ref: Billingshurst) Please email your intention to come to

Canon Tim Madeley billingshurst@abdiocese.org.uk

If you are unable to come but would like to donate to help cover the cost of the day, please do so in the above ways and let Canon Madeley know of the fact.

DAY OF RENEWAL

Southwark Diocese Day of Renewal at St George's Cathedral on Saturday 22 October 10am-5pm: 'Fan into a flame the gift of God which is in you..' 2 Tim 1:6; main speaker Fr Michael Payyapilly VC. Visit diocesan website for more information.

Parish Organisations

MEMORY LANE CLUB

This popular club for people with dementia and their carers is open every Wednesday from 10.30am to 12.30pm in the Parish Lounge with tea, coffee & cake along with lots of chat, laughter, snooker and different activities. For more information please ring Jenny on 07906 856 183.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

On Friday 7 October at 2.30pm in the Lounge meet for the film: 'Breakfast at Tiffany's' starring Audrey Hepburn & George Peppard. Ice creams, tea and biscuits. All welcome!

THURSDAY GROUP

The Thursday Group founded by Fr Mitchell SJ is for anyone with, or who has had mental health problems. The purpose of the Group is

to offer support and friendship. The group meets on Thursday afternoons at 3pm in the Parish Lounge. If this could be of interest and help to you please ring 07507 672 833 for more details.

Social & Cultural

PANTOMIME AFTER CHRISTMAS

Following Edge Hill Players' very successful *The Sound of Music* production, the parish pantomime after Christmas is to be *Jack and the Beanstalk*. The evening launch for everyone (except primary school children) will be at 7.30pm on Tue 4 Oct, in the Upper Hall.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wimbledon Music Festival opening concert: Sat 12 Nov, Berlioz' *L'Enfance du Christ* (Academy Choir & London Mozart Players);

Mon 28 Nov Brahms 'A German Requiem' with star soloists Sophie Bevan and Roderick Williams. All in the church, details & tickets available at wimbledonmusicfestival.co.uk

Tue 29 Nov in the church, we are showing Cecil B de Mille's epic 1928 silent film 'King of Kings' with an improvised accompaniment by David Briggs on our wonderful Walker organ. David played the memorable inau-

gural recital after the restoration in 2012, and is one of the world's great organists. We are co-hosting in association with the Wimbledon Music Festival, for further details & to book tickets please visit wimbledonmusicfestival.co.uk.

NINTH WIMBLEDON SCOUT GROUP

There are vacancies for boys in the three sections of the Parish Scout Group. Age ranges are: Beavers 6-8 yrs, Cubs 8-10 yrs and Scouts from 10-14 yrs. All sections meet on Monday evenings in the Parish Hall. Places in the top year in the Scouts, Year 9 at school, are full, but there are places available for boys in Years 6, 7 & 8. The Autumn Term is full of exciting opportunities, including an Adventure Weekend for all Scouts in Years 6, 7 & 8 at Walton Firs Activity Centre, Cobham in November, and a Paintball Weekend for Years 8 & 9 in February. Enquiries to the Group Chairman, Michael Orbell at

michaelorbell@hotmail.com.

LONDON MARATHON

Alan Fernandes is joining the Jesuit Missions' Team of runners in the London Marathon on Sun 2 Oct. Funds raised will go to support the work of the Development Projects in South America, Africa and Asia. You can sponsor Alan at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/alan-fernandes or at JM, 11 Edge Hill. Thank you for your support for the work of Jesuit Missions.

RETROUVAILLE

A lifeline for Marriage: if your marriage is under stress for any reason or whether you just want to improve your communication the Retrouvaille programme may be just what you need. The next programme starts with a virtual weekend, 13-16 Oct or a face to face weekend in Welwyn Garden Centre, 24-26 February 2023. For more info phone or text 07887 296 983, email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk.

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.

OPEN EVENTS

Ursuline Prep. School: the 1st event of the academic year on Wed 12 Oct at 9.30am is for parents looking for Reception to Year 6 entrance for their daughters. Parents can sign up at [Open Events | Ursuline Preparatory School](#)

A Nursery (boys & girls) specific Open Event for parents will be hosted on Wed 2 Nov.

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Wimbledon College: Open Mornings: for current Year 6 pupils and by appointment only. 3-5 Oct, 9am www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk.

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Donhead Preparatory School

Open Morning: Donhead Prep School would like to welcome you to visit on Tuesday 18 October to witness their boys in action and to experience the spirit, warmth, and ethos in the Donhead community. The morning will start at 9am with an introductory talk from the Headmaster, followed by a tour of the school. To register, please visit <https://www.donhead.org.uk>

Exploring our Faith

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, 17 October 2022. £699 pp sharing. Price includes 4 nights in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single

suppl. £100, contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to a *Day with Mary*, a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Sat 8 Oct at St Chad's Church, Whitworth Rd, SE25, 9am-5pm; celebrant and preacher : Abbot Hugh

Allan O.Praem ; sermons on Our Lady by Fr Nicholas Kerebba C.S.S.p and Abbot Hugh Allan O.Praem; Exposition & Outdoor Procession of the Blessed Sacrament, Meditations on the Passion of Our Lord (www adaywithmary.org).

SAFEGUARDING

It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased. If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger. Further safeguarding information can be found on the parish website.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr Matthew Donnelly
8.00am Fr Matthew Donnelly
10.00am Fr Joseph Donkor
12 noon Fr Joseph Donkor
5.00pm Fr Matthew Donnelly
8.00pm Fr Joseph Donkor

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 1 6.30pm Matthew Robert Edward RIP
Mon 3 10.00am Savannah and Tom
6.30pm Pat & Rose RIP
Tue 4 10.00am Emily Grey and family Ints.
6.30pm Horgan family
Wed 5 10.00am Forster Family Ints.
6.30pm Mavis Meyer and Maisie Griffiths RIP
Thu 6 10.00am Terry Purslow RIP
6.30pm J J Bell
Fri 7 10.00am Sheena Wilson RIP
6.30pm Tommy Collins RIP
Sat 8 10.00am Bridget D'Souza Birthday Ints.

HOSPITAL CONTACTS

If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals, do please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know.

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

St Heliers and Epsom Hospital: Fr Philip Pak (020 8296 2000)

Kingston Hospital: Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711)

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Angela Mondelli, Chelsea Malava-Madaka, Zulema Dene, Alexander Smith, Eira Nancy Smith, Desmond Gunning and Loughlin Callahan

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Marian Tadeusz Owoc, David Dwyer, John Park, Joyce Laundry, Gabriele Meehan, John Murphy, Josephine McCourt, Fernand Laloux and Nancy Cardew

The sick: David Steele, Saforah Singh, Shanu Mathew, Maureen May, Ryan Lyndsey, Patrick McManus, Samar Staussi, Matthew Bees, Emily Grey, Andrew Tan and Caroline Worrell.

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.



FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Tue 4 Oct St Francis of Assisi, Memorial
Wed 5 Oct St Faustina Kowalska, Memorial
Thu 6 Oct St Bruno, Priest
Fri 7 Oct Our Lady of the Rosary, Memorial
Sat 8 Oct The Blessed Virgin Mary

EXPOSITION

Wednesdays & Fridays
after the 10.00am Mass
and from 5.25 - 6.25pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday - Saturday:
6.00 - 6.20pm
and Saturday morning
10.30 - 11.30am

MUSIC AT THE 12 NOON MASS

Solemn Latin Mass

K/G/S: Missa in honorem Sta Clara,

Licinio Refice

Offertory motet: Factum est silentium,

Richard Dering

Communion motet: *Agnus Dei* (from Mass)

If you wish to include items in the weekly newsletter, please keep them brief, - if possible no more than 40 words - send them by Tuesday before publication to newsletter@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk / wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

PARISH SERVICES

Parish Office/Reception Hours: 9am - 4pm (Mon-Fri), 020 8946 0305

Executive Assistant & Hall bookings: Thelma D'Costa (Mon - Fri 9am - 4pm) Caretaker: George McLennan

Parish Pastoral Council: ppc@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

Baptism, Marriage, First Sacraments, Funerals contact the parish office.

Bereavement Support: one to one support or bereavement drop-in, please call 07702 339000 between 9am -5pm, more information please contact the co-ordinator by email bereavement.group@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

Sacred Heart SVP Conference meets to help those living locally in need. All enquiries are dealt with confidentially. Leave contact details with the parish office or email presidentA190704@svp.org.uk.