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Newsletter

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time (C)

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

- Exodus 17:8-13
- Psalm 120
- 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2
- Luke 18:1-8

Upcoming Events

October

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

Sunday 9 October

- Children's Liturgy during the 10am Mass

Tuesday 11 October

- Signing of school forms, 7.15 - 9pm, Lower Hall

Friday 14 October

- School of Community, 7.30pm, Lounge

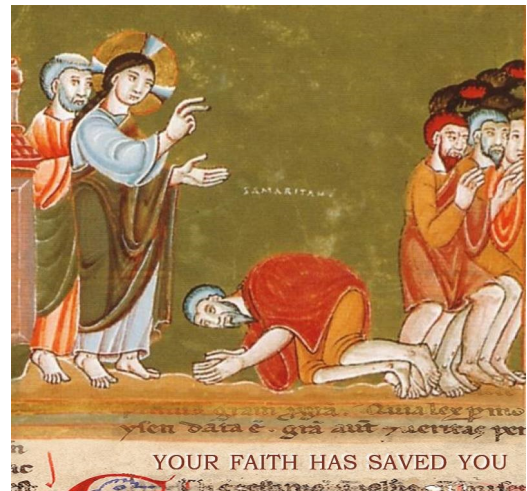
Wednesday 19 October

- Newman Circle, 7pm, Lounge

Your faith has saved you

'It seems that no one has returned to give praise to God, except this foreigner?'

We have all received a great deal as a gift. We don't always recognise that the ultimate source of graces and gifts is God. That is what distinguished the Samaritan leper from the other nine who were cured. All ten were equally healed of a disease that had left them only half-dead. But only one of them, finding himself cured, turned back praising God at the top of his voice. He thanked Jesus, but he praised God. The Samaritan realised that God was at work in Jesus in healing him.



Jesus praised this man's special insight. Notice how he didn't want thanks for himself or complain that 'nobody has come back to thank me...' but 'nobody has come back to give praise to God...except this foreigner.' That is why he goes on to say: 'Your faith has saved you'. This leper had the true vision of faith; he recognised God at work in what had happened to him, in the extraordinary way he had been graced. We are called to that same vision of faith, to recognise and to acknowledge God at work in all the experiences of grace that bless us in the course of our lives.

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

Today, 9 October, is Prisoners' Sunday. We remember prisoners and their families at Masses this 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..." (Mt. 25:36). There will be a 2nd collection to support *Pact's* important work in the year ahead. Thank you!!

SYNOD 2021 2023

As we continue the Synod journey together you are warmly invited to join us on Sat 5 Nov at 10.30am in the Upper Hall to reflect on the Synod process, begun a year ago, and to discuss what it means for Sacred Heart. The discussion will be introduced and facilitated by Dr Mark Nash, the diocese Director of the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis. The morning will also include updates from the Parish Pastoral Council and Finance committee, refreshments will be available. We expect the event to conclude around 1.45pm, however we would encourage you to attend even if you are unable to stay for the whole morning. We welcome everyone's participation as we continue this journey together and look ahead as a parish to 2023.

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.

Parish News

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.

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 spe-

cific 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

BISHOP HOWARD TRIPP † RIP

Archbishop John Wilson writes: 'Whilst it is with sadness, it is also in the light of the Lord Jesus, our Life and Resurrection, that I write to inform you of the death of our dear friend and brother, Bishop Howard Tripp, who completed his long and fruitful earthly pilgrimage yesterday. [...]

Let us entrust his soul to the intercession of the Mother of the Lord Jesus who is our Mother, too. Let us pray that she will welcome him and introduce him into a heavenly inheritance where he will enjoy for ever the fullness of peace!

NEWMAN CIRCLE

The Newman Circle will hold a meeting on Wed 19 Oct at 7pm (!) in the Lounge on 'Is the Government's treatment of migrants, refugees & asylum seekers just and merciful?' Speaker: Auxiliary Bishop Paul McAleenan,

Westminster Diocese, chair of the Office for Migration Policy at the Bishop's Conference.

In his homily on 27 Sept at the Mass for the World Day for Migrants & Refugees in Westminster Cathedral, he said, inter alia, 'It is the decision of the Church to accompany those with whom Christ identified, including migrants & refugees, to speak on their behalf, to draw attention to their plight, to demand that their human dignity is respected & to support them as they search for a place, they can call home.' Further, in a homily earlier this summer he said 'We must keep in mind that it is not illegal to seek asylum. Anyone whose life is threatened has the right to protection. Persecution, danger & displacement cause people to migrate & seek asylum by crossing borders without documents & passports. It is the right of human persons to

migrate so that they can be safe & achieve better life for themselves & their children. [...] I once met a refugee from Mali who began or ended all he said with the words "Inshallah" which, as you probably know, means "If God wishes". God has made a wish. It is his will that we assist our brothers & sisters in need & oppose all that denies that assistance. Thank you for all you are doing to promote the cause of refugees & to provide them with the help they need.' All welcome!

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 info.

Parish Organisations

CHRISTMAS LUNCH TEAM

This is an urgent appeal from the Christmas Lunch Team. We are in great need of:

1. A Coordinator - to oversee the whole event - there is a team who will support, but we have no leader.

2. We need one (or two people) - to cook the lunch for around 80 - 100 people
This parish has offered a Christmas Lunch on Christmas Day to those in need every year for around 30 years, even during the pandemic.

We would hate to let it drop this year - please can you help??

If you are able to help, please contact Thelma, Executive Assistant, on 020 8946 0305.

Social & Cultural

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 inaugural 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.

RETROUVILLE

A lifeline for Marriage: if your marriage is under stress for any reason or whether you just want to improve your communication the Retrouville 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 retrouvilleukinfo@gmail.com or visit www.retrouville.org.uk.

JOB VACANCY

Sacred Heart School (KT3 4ND) is looking for a full-time Site Manager. Please visit <http://www.sacredheart.merton.sch.uk/vacancies-1> for details or call 020 89420215. The closing: Monday 17 October.

JESUIT MISSIONS' WORKSHOP

Where is the Good News for the Poor?

You are invited to a Jesuit Missions' Workshop on Thu 13 Oct from 8 - 10pm: Britain and the world face a series of complex crises. What key principles does the Church offer to fashion just solutions to these urgent and dire needs? Christ the King Parish Hall, The Crescent, Wimbledon Park SW19 8AJ.

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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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>

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Sacred Heart School: If you are looking for a nursery or reception place for 2023 please book a school tour to discover what makes Sacred Heart School special: <http://www.sacredheart.merton.sch.uk/admissions> or call 020 8942 0215.

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 15 Oct at Westminster Cathedral, SW1P 1LT, 9.45am-5.30pm; celebrant and preacher: a Cathedral

Chaplain; sermons on Our Lady by Canon John O'Leary; Exposition & Outdoor Procession of the Blessed Sacrament, Meditations on the Passion of Our Lord. Please visit www adaywithmary.org for more information and further dates.

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 Michael Barnes SJ
12 noon Fr Michael Barnes SJ
5.00pm Fr Joseph Donkor
8.00pm Fr Joseph Donkor

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 8 6.30pm Callum Roche RIP
Mon 10 10.00am Queen Elizabeth II RIP
6.30pm Queen Elizabeth II RIP
Tue 11 10.00am Edward Platel & Family RIP
6.30pm Queen Elizabeth II RIP
Wed 12 10.00am Don Seagrave RIP
6.30pm Queen Elizabeth II RIP
Thu 13 10.00am Funeral of Loughlin Callahan
6.30pm Queen Elizabeth II RIP
Fri 14 10.00am Funeral of Desmond Gunning
6.30pm Queen Elizabeth II RIP
Sat 15 10.00am Holy Souls

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: ask for Cath. Chaplain at reception

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: Bishop Howard Tripp, Sr Maureen Banyard, Alec Smith, Loughlin Callahan, Desmond Gunning, Gladimir Padlinic, Zulema Walliker and Patrick McManus

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Francie McHugh, Dr Arul Peters, Fr Michael O'Halloran SJ, Fr Michael Ashworth SJ, Handra Vierass, Rosemary Mackett, Joan Ashworth, Patricia Meehan and Betty Radevsky

The sick: Elizabeth Cooling, David Steele, Saforah Singh, Shanu Mathew, Maureen May, Ryan Lyndsey, 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

Sun 9 Oct Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families (St John Henry Newman, priest; St Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; St John Leonardi, priest)
Mon 10 Oct St Paulinus of York, Bishop
Tue 11 Oct St John XXIII, Pope
Wed 12 Oct St Wilfried, Bishop
Thu 13 Oct St Edward the Confessor, King, Feast
Fri 14 Oct St Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
Sat 15 Oct St Teresa of Jesus [of Ávila], Virgin and Doctor of the Church, Memorial

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

Organ: Rhosymedre RVW
125 *Come down O love divine* (Down Ampney comp. RVW); K/G: 459/460;
15 *All creatures of our God and King* (Lasst uns erfreuen arr. RVW); S: 433
The God of love my shepherd is Th. Tallis
176 *For all the saints* (Sine Nomine comp. RVW)

Organ: Paeon Herbert Howells
*Ralph Vaughan Williams *12 Oct 1872*

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.