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## Newsletter

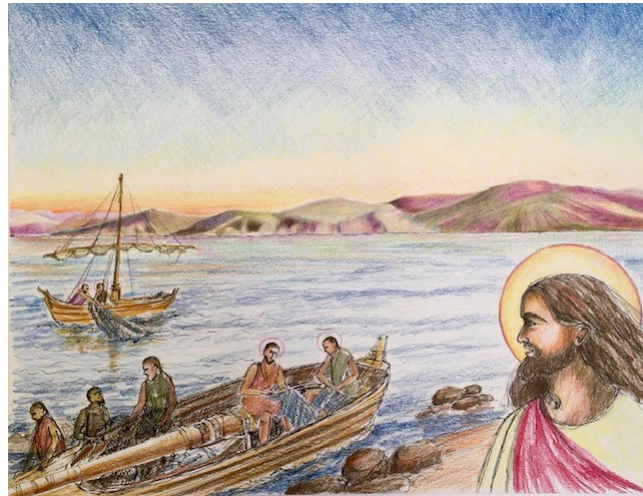
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Third Sunday (A)

Third Week  
in Ordinary Time

Vol I. Psalter week 3

### The Sunday of the Word of God



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#### Next Sunday's Readings

- Zephaniah 2:3;3:12-13
- Psalm 145:7-10
- I Corinthians 1:26-31
- Matthew 5:1-12

#### Upcoming Events

##### Saturday 21 January

- School of Community, Family Afternoon, from 4pm, Upper Hall

##### Sunday 22 January

- Children's Liturgy during the 10am Mass
- Ecumenical Service, 6.30pm, St Saviour's Church

##### Saturday 28 January

- Bereavement Support, 10.30am, Parish Lounge

##### Saturdays 28 January & 4 February

- Edge Hill Players, Panto, 2.30 & 7pm, Upper Hall; see p 3

##### Friday 3 February

- Friendship Group, 2.30pm, Lounge

The Church celebrates the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time as 'The Sunday of the Word of God'. The God who speaks. All the readings are about the mission of proclaiming the Word of God.

Like John the Baptist, Jesus urged people to repent, but also to believe in the Good News. In fact, he himself was the Good News and the Word of God incarnate, and that is why he proceeds to call his first disciples to follow him: the fishermen Simon Peter, Andrew, James, and John. At the very start, Jesus reveals their future destiny to them: they are to become fishers of

men – in other words they will gather more disciples to follow Jesus. What is striking is how he linked the vocation of discipleship to the profession of which they were familiar.

The others made a radical break with the past and embarked upon a new beginning in a form of engaging in a mission of transformation and were challenged to make a costly commitment.

To be a disciple of Jesus means to repent, to believe in him, to stay with him and to make disciples for him.

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

## THANKSGIVING

A Mass of Thanksgiving for the Ministry of Monsignor Matthew Dickens will take place on Saturday 28 January in St George's Cathedral at 12.30pm. This will be followed by Reception afterwards in Amigo Hall. All are most welcome to attend to give thanks for his significant contribution to the Archdiocese of Southwark as Vicar General and Chancellor. For those who cannot make it in person, it will be possible to attend via livestream: <https://bit.ly/MgrDickensMass2023>

## WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

Southwark Pilgrimage to World Youth



Day 2023 (<https://www.lisboa2023.org/en/>): around thirty young pilgrims (between 18-35 yrs) are joining the Archdiocesan pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Lisbon between 31 July - 7 August 2023, Archbishop John Wilson will be joining the group.

Some places are still available on the pilgrimage at the price of £1,396 (which includes flights, 3\* B&B accommodation/shared room, transfers, WYD registration fee & meal vouchers), on a first-come, first-served basis; You can find out more about the schedule and book directly with *All Saints Travel* <https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/LS0781>.

Please book as soon as possible to avoid disappointment and by no later than Tuesday 31 January 2023.

If you have any queries please do get in touch with the diocese's youth team at [youth@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:youth@rcaos.org.uk).

## Parish News

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please note that during the coming weeks the front few pews at the 10am and 5pm Masses on Sundays will be reserved for the children preparing for the sacrament of First Holy Communion.

### PRESBYTERY RECEPTION

The Parish Office would like to hear from you if you can help out at the Presbytery Reception on Wednesday mornings. Please contact Thelma D'Costa at 020 8946 0305.

### LOST PROPERTY

Please note that all lost property will be stored at the Presbytery for a certain time. If you have lost something in the church or in one of the halls, please check with the Parish Reception.

## Announcements

### CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK: ABIDE IN CHRIST'S LOVE

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is kept between 18 and 25 January. During this octave we come together as a global Christian family through daily meditations, prayers and events. The Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland has provided the theme for this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: *'Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit'* (John 15: 5-9) This monastic Community brings together Sisters from different churches and countries. They've prepared meditations & prayers for the Week of Christian Unity; their daily reflections and

texts aim to nurture closer communion with our brothers and sisters in Christ, and greater solidarity with the whole of Creation. All the resources, including an Ecumenical Order of Service, can be found on the website of the Pontifical Council ([https://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/pontifical\\_councils/index.htm](https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/pontifical_councils/index.htm)).

An ecumenical Service, organised by the Community Church will be held at St. Saviour's at 6.30pm this Sunday 22 January, Grand Drive, SW20 9DL.

### 27 JANUARY ST ANGELA MERICI

On the Feast of St Angela Merici who founded the Company of St. Ursula, in

which women dedicated their lives to the service of the Church through the education of girls, we wish the Ursuline sisters and the many parishioners who attend/attended the Ursuline School in our parish a very happy feast!

### RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

All are invited to the Racial Justice Sunday Mass celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson at St George's Cathedral on Sun 5 Feb at 10am. The Mass will also be live-streamed (<https://bit.ly/RJS2023>). Those attending Mass in person are encouraged to wear cultural dress and are asked to be seated by 9.45am.

## Parish Organisations

### SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY

Families with kids of any age are invited for an afternoon of games, songs and dinner together on Saturday 21 January, starting from 4pm in the Upper Hall. For more details and registration please contact Giovanni at [giovanniperuzzo@gmail.com](mailto:giovanniperuzzo@gmail.com)

### 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.

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

The Bereavement Team invites everyone experiencing loss in their lives, no matter how long ago, to drop in for a coffee and a chat on

Saturday 28 January from 10.30-11.30am, in the Parish Lounge. For more information, please email [bereavement@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:bereavement@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk).

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 3 February at 2.30pm in the Parish Lounge: talk by Simon Potter. *'The Happiest Days of our Lives?'*, a humorous look at schooling from 1960. Tea and Cakes. All welcome.

## Social & Cultural

### EDGE HILL PLAYERS 2023 PANTO

*Jack and the Beanstalk*

Leave the January Blues at home and come and have a giggle at the Edge Hill Players Panto, *Jack and the Beanstalk*. Saturday 28 January and Saturday 4 February, 2.30pm at 7pm, Upper Hall. Tickets are available from [www.edgehillplayers.com](http://www.edgehillplayers.com) or tel: 07742 230 493.

### VACANCY

Wimbledon College Inclusion Supervisor and Deputy DSL vacancy: for further information visit [www.wim](http://www.wim)

[bledoncollege.org.uk](http://bledoncollege.org.uk) under 'about us'/job opportunities' or apply by online application form via [eteach](http://eteach) website.

### ENRICHMENT COURSE

Marriage Encounter England and Wales are promoting an upcoming *Experience* in Hendon on the Sat 11 & Sun 12 Feb at St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, St Joseph's Grove, The Burroughs, Hendon, London, NW4 4TY.

The marriage enrichment courses offer a unique opportunity for couples to rekindle their relationships

and focus on what is important to them. Please visit [https://wwme.org.uk](http://https://wwme.org.uk) for info & to book an *Experience*.

### CATHOLIC HISTORY WALK

*Coronation History Walk* on Sat 28 Jan at 3pm, steps of Westminster Cathedral, SW1P 1QW. Discover the traditions and heritage of the Coronation ceremony that dates back over a 1000 years...Walk includes Buckingham Palace & St James Park, finishes at Westminster Abbey; ([https://www.catholichistorywalks.com/](http://https://www.catholichistorywalks.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/](http://https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/) or by filling in a registration form, available at the back of the church.

## Exploring our Faith

### DIVINE MERCY RETREAT

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London, is holding a Divine Mercy Retreat on Saturday 28 January from 2-4.30pm at St George's Cathedral, Cathedral House, London SE1 7HY. The retreat will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Adoration, Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All Welcome. Please call Millie on 07957 594 646 for more info.

### LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT

You are welcome to come to a one-day retreat of quiet reflection on Saturday 28 January from 11am-4.30pm, at the Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR; Holy Rosary, Latin Mass

in the Extraordinary Form (Celebrant Priest: Fr Mark Elliott Smith); lunch break (please bring your own lunch, tea & coffee available); talk based on Scripture, Catholic Christian Meditation, Blessed Adoration – Divine Mercy, Individual Healing Prayers. For more information, please visit [www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com](http://www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com).

### DAY CONFERENCE

*Catholic Voices* and *Word on Fire* are hosting a one-day conference called 'Sharing the Church's Story' on Saturday 11 February, 10am-5pm at QEII Centre, Westminster, London, SW1P 3EE. Come and join 1300 Catholics who are passionate about the renewal of the Church in the UK and a host of dynamic speakers including

the internationally renowned speaker and author, Bishop Robert Barron. So, whether you are a volunteer, parent, catechist, clergy, religious, or just want a boost for your faith life, then this conference is for you. To find out more please visit [https://www.sharingthechurchsstory.com](http://https://www.sharingthechurchsstory.com).

### A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to a *Day with Mary*, a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Sat 11 February (Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes) at St Joseph's Church, Orchard Road, Bromley, BR1 2PR 9.30am-5pm; celebrant and preacher: Fr Peter Murphy; sermons on Our Lady by Fr Andrew Byrne and Fr Peter Littleton; Silent Adoration, Meditations on the Passion of Our Lord. Please visit [www adaywithmary.org](http://www adaywithmary.org) for more info and further dates.

### OPEN EVENTS

Ursuline Preparatory School is holding open events and parents are invited to visit the school on Wednesday 1 February at 9.30am and on Wednesday 15 March at 9.30am.

Parents can sign up at [Open Events | Ursuline Preparatory School](http://Open Events | Ursuline Preparatory School)

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Donhead Preparatory School: Parents are welcome to visit the school on Friday 10 February to witness the 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 Headteacher, followed by a tour of the school with our Year 6 pupils. To register, please visit [https://www.donhead.org.uk/admissions/open-morning-registration](http://https://www.donhead.org.uk/admissions/open-morning-registration)

### 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 Joseph Donkor  
8.00am Fr Joseph Donkor  
10.00am Canon John Clark & Deacon Julian Burling  
12 noon Fr Michael Barnes SJ  
5.00pm Fr Matthew Donnelly  
8.00pm Fr Matthew Donnelly

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 21 6.30pm L.P. Thomas  
Mon 23 10.00am Neil Calvert RIP  
11.30am Funeral of Joseph Hanna  
6.30pm Brenda Davies Thanksgiving  
Tue 24 10.00am John Leonard RIP  
6.30pm Mary Anne Salvatore RIP  
Wed 25 10.00am Joe Kirwan RIP  
6.30pm Queen of Peace  
Thu 26 10.00am Philip Ferrao RIP  
6.30pm Alina Hancock RIP  
Fri 27 10.00am Martin Kilduff Ints.  
11.30am Thanksgiving  
6.30pm Jean Suggitt RIP  
Sat 28 10.00am Joan Matthews RIP

### 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:** Christopher O'Brien, Nick Carew-Hunt, Andre Roland Helene, Jean Bell, Tony Bliss, John Abbiss, Dominic Sammons, Eileen Ridge, Janet Mitchell, Jacqueline Newson, Joseph Hanna and Edward Holden

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Kazimiera Owoc, Andrew Lawrence, Angela Byrne, Cyril Williams

**The sick:** Anne McHale, David Fry, Paul Stromborg, Mike Greene, Jacinto Cordeiro, Teresa Escalona, Donal Weir, Giovanni Baldacchino, Kate O'Brien, Kim Carr, Patricia Small, Luca Buttaci, Nancy Drapper, David Steele, Shanu Mathew, Maureen May, Ryan Lyndsey, Samar Staussi, Emily Grey and Andrew Tan.

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.



### THANK YOU

The parish's Crib Appeal in support of the charity *Care4Calais* raised £748.06. Thank you for supporting this good cause!

### FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

**Sun 22 Jan** Sunday of the Word of God  
**Tue 24 Jan** St Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church;  
**Wed 25 Jan** The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle, Feast  
**Thu 26 Jan** Ss Timothy and Titus, Bishops, Memorial  
**Fri 27 Jan** St Angela Merici, Virgin  
**Sat 28 Jan** St Thomas Aquinas, Priest 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

Introit: 738 *Thou whose almighty word*  
K/S: Mass in 3 Parts, William Byrd  
Offertory motet: *Cantate Domino* (4-pt), Hans Leo Hassler  
Communion motet: *Agnus Dei* (from Mass)  
Post-communion hymn: III *Christ is the world's light*

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](mailto:newsletter@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk) / [wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:ppc@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk)

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

Bereavement Support: one to one support or bereavement drop-in, for more information please contact the co-ordinator by email [bereavement.group@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:presidentA190704@svp.org.uk).