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## Newsletter

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Thirteenth Sunday  
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Thirteenth Week  
in Ordinary Time

Vol III, psalter week I

### Next Sunday's Readings

- Zechariah 9:9-10
- Psalm 144:1-2.8-11.13-14
- Romans 8:9.11-13
- Matthew 11:25-30

### Upcoming Events

#### Sunday 2 July

- Giveaway, 10am-12noon, Upper Hall, see p. 2

#### Friday 7 July

- 2.30pm, Friendship Group, Lounge, see p. 2
- Eucharistic Adoration after the 6.30pm Mass
- Parish Social Club AGM, 7.30pm, Youth Room

#### Sunday 9 July

- Children's Liturgy during the 10am Mass

## We Are Promised An Eternal Reward

As Gospel readings at Mass for this Sunday and the two preceding Sundays we have the 'mission discourse' in chapter 10 of the Gospel according to St Matthew. The discourse opens with the commissioning of the named twelve apostles, a mission expressly limited to the 'lost sheep of the house of Israel'.

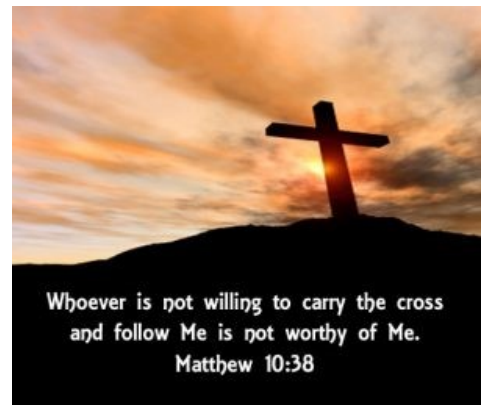
At the end of Matthew's Gospel,

Ch 28:19-20, however, Jesus tells the eleven remaining apostles to go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

As the mission discourse develops through Mt 10 there are warnings about coming persecution before governors and kings, the command not to be afraid of those who can kill the body but not the soul, and the prediction of strife within and outside families caused by following Jesus. This Sunday we hear of the requirement to love Jesus even more than one's own family members; to take up one's own cross and follow Jesus, prepared to lose one's life rather than denying him; and the description of the rewards for those who receive Jesus's disciples hospitably. Nearly all of the eleven did indeed meet persecution and martyrdom as followers of Jesus.

The warnings, encouragement and advice we hear in this Sunday's gospel reading were equally applicable to later generations of Jesus's disciples as they spread Jesus's message throughout the world. They apply to us too, as baptised members of his Church. They are demanding, even in this country. If we willingly receive Jesus's messengers, we are promised an eternal reward.

*Deacon Julian Burling*



### THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Acting Parish Priest: Fr Joseph Donkor

Parish Clergy: 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

## SECOND COLLECTION

Next Sunday, 9 July, is Sea Sunday, the second collection will be in support of Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) is a Catholic charity supporting seafarers worldwide. Through their network they provide practical and pastoral care to all seafarers, regardless of nationality, belief or race. Port chaplains and volunteer ship-visitors welcome seafarers and fishers, offer welfare service and advice, practical help, care and friendship. Stella Maris relies wholly on voluntary contributions, and can only continue its works through the generous donations of its supporters, particularly this collection.

## AYLESFORD CONFERENCE

1-3 August: you are invited to Aylesford for a 3-day conference/retreat with the title 'Dignitas Personae et Amor Dei: The Value of the Human Person and Divine Love; Meeting Edith Stein' that moves creatively into her wisdom, as we finally meet with Edith Stein on English soil. This will be one of the first intl. events of its kind, introducing new areas of study and stories, including issues surrounding disability. For more info please visit <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/july-events-celebrating-the-teaching-and-wisdom-of-edith-stein/> (or [cgangemi.kairos@gmail.com](mailto:cgangemi.kairos@gmail.com) or to book [admingen@ocarm.org](mailto:admingen@ocarm.org))

## JESUIT MISSIONS STAMP CUTTING

Volunteers welcome to help trim & sort used stamps to raise money for JM: Thursday 6 July, 9.30am-12.30pm - coffee provided, please bring your own scissors. 11 Edge Hill, SW19 4 LR.

## Parish News

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Change of arrangement for First Holy Communion registration: Please take a form from the table at the back of the church and when completed place it in the box provided. Last day for applications is Monday 17 July.

### GIVEAWAY - 2 JULY

In preparation for Fr David's arrival, the Presbytery has had a clear out! There will be a giveaway this Sunday 2 July, 10am-12noon in the Upper Hall. We invite everyone to take a look and take home what they might like.

### THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) at Sacred Heart represents you. Members of the PPC are volunteers who meet monthly to discuss various aspects of parish life. The next meeting is on Thursday 6 July & everyone's thoughts are invited! If you have something you want discussed, please tell us here: <https://forms.gle/nDqE9TVeMidjd2Ef8> or email [ppc@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:ppc@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk).

### PARISH APPEAL

A big 'thank you' to parishioners who have already responded to our important appeal. It is not too late to

increase your regular donation. Leaflets with details and options for giving are available at the back of the church. Completed paper forms for submitting a standing order or gift aid declaration can be left in the box provided at the back of the church or at the Presbytery. Any queries, please email Chris Woodward at [finance@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:finance@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk).

### NEWSLETTER

Please note that the last Newsletter before the summer break will be distributed on the weekend of 23/24 July.

## Announcements

### ANNIVERSARY MASS

You are invited to a Solemn Mass to mark the 175th anniversary of St George's Cathedral, Southwark on Tuesday 4 July at 6pm, celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson and at which the Apostolic Nuncio will impart the Apostolic Blessing.

### ANNUAL MARRIAGE MASS AT ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL

Are you celebrating your 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or any later wedding anniversary this year? If so, you are invited to join in celebrating a Mass for married couples at 3pm on Saturday 23 September at St

George's Cathedral (chief celebrant Bishop Paul Hendricks). You can apply for a written personal invitation to the Mass from Archbishop John Wilson (invitation also covers a small number of family guests). To book & for details please email [mflsw@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflsw@rcaos.org.uk) by 31 July.

### SUMMERTIME 2023

Summertime for altar servers aged 11 - 17 years: from 1 - 4 August at the Oratory School in Reading; total cost £169 pp. Forms are available from the website [www.stanselmisdartford.wordpress.com](http://www.stanselmisdartford.wordpress.com) or email

[dartford@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:dartford@rcaos.org.uk).

Come and spend brilliant few day of prayer and recreation. For more details contact Fr Stephen Boyle, chaplain to the Guild of St Stephen (01322 220075).

### SAVE THE DATE

The Commission for Justice Peace and Integrity of Creation for the Archdiocese of Southwark will be holding an Autumn Assembly on Saturday 23 Sept. entitled: *The Right to Stay: Free to Choose*, Addressing the motivations that affect decisions taken to leave one's native land.

## Parish Organisations

### PARISH SOCIAL CLUB

The Parish Social Club will be holding its AGM on Friday 7 July at 7.30pm in the Youth Room. All welcome!

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 7 July at 2.30pm Do join us in the Lounge to watch some tennis from Wimbledon with Pimms and

strawberries and cream. All are welcome!

## Social & Cultural

### NOT ALL RIGHT ON THE NIGHT!

Simon Potter has directed 66 plays at Wimbledon College over 50 years. Many had problems! His Friendship Group talk 'Disasters in Luv-viedom' has led to the hilarious 'Not All Right On The Night!' (Amazon £6.99 book, £2.99 Kindle), [www.simonpotterauthor.com](http://www.simonpotterauthor.com); all proceeds to Book Aid International (the charity that gives book to children).

### VACANCIES

Wimbledon College are looking to employ a Finance Admin Officer from September 2023. Further information is available on their website [www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk](http://www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk), or please contact [hr@wimbledoncollege.org.uk](mailto:hr@wimbledoncollege.org.uk) or 020 8879 9323. Closing date for applications is Wednesday 12 July.

The Kairos Retreat and Conference Centre, Roehampton, is currently seeking a FT Maintenance Officer, 37.5hrs Monday - Sunday across a rota. Full job specification can be found at <https://www.pooreservants.org/recruitment/>. If you are interested, please email your CV to [hrofficer@psmgs.org.uk](mailto:hrofficer@psmgs.org.uk) or call HR on 020 8788 4351.

**Christian Care:** After more than 45 years Christian CARE Coordinator Gillian Thick will be stepping down at the end of the year. With the growth of activities within the charity, they are now seeking two people to continue her role, two leaders with a real concern for, and some experience of, working alongside those in poverty. For more information, please see the leaflets on table at back of church or visit <https://christiancaremerton.org.uk> or contact Gillian on [gillian.thick@christiancaremerton.org.uk](mailto:gillian.thick@christiancaremerton.org.uk) or our Chair Jane Savill on [jane.savill@christiancaremerton.org.uk](mailto:jane.savill@christiancaremerton.org.uk).

### THANK YOU

Bob Rathbone and the Sacred Heart Chorus would like to thank all those who supported the concert last Saturday - we will publish the amount raised for *Jesuit Missions* and *MyTime Young Carers* as soon as it is available. A great evening of music-making, wonderful sounds from the orchestra and soloists, but particularly from the chorus, who worked extremely hard in challenging music. The performance of the *Gloria* by Francis Poulenc was particularly moving, with Katy Lees producing a spell-binding performance that will live in the memory for a very long time. Thank you all!

### 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.

### MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION

The Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month: in July we pray for a Eucharistic life: 'We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.'

### SANCTA FAMILIA CATHOLIC ACADEMY TRUST

A group of 15 schools, including Ursuline High School, are currently consulting on conversion to Academy Status. The school proposes to join a newly established Catholic Academy Trust called Sancta Familia. To read more about the proposals and respond to the consultation please visit [www.sanctafamilia.co.uk](http://www.sanctafamilia.co.uk).

## Exploring our Faith

### COME & SEE WEEKENDS

Friday 11 - Monday 14 August (and then 20 - 23 October): the Cistercian Nuns at Holy Cross Abbey are inviting single Catholic women, ages 25-45, who are discerning a vocation to experience monastic life during one of the above weekends. Please visit [www.hcawithland.co.uk](http://www.hcawithland.co.uk) or email [comeandseehca@gmail.com](mailto:comeandseehca@gmail.com) for any enquiry or registration.

### DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

There will be a *First Friday Eucharistic Adoration* on Friday 7 July after the 6.30pm Mass. The Sacred Heart Devotion Group will meet on Saturday 8 July for the prayer of Consecration after the 10am Mass at the Sacred Heart Chapel. All are most welcome to participate.

### PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION

You are invited to join the Pilgrimage of Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life, to Walsingham on Saturday 5 August, led by Archbishop Kevin McDonald. For details, please see the poster on the noticeboard, or visit [www.prolifepilgrimage.org](http://www.prolifepilgrimage.org). Please join in the 'great prayer for life' asked for by Pope Saint John Paul II.

### 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 Matthew Donnelly  
10.00am Fr Joseph Donkor & Deacon Julian Burling  
12 noon Fr Matthew Donnelly & Deacon Julian Burling  
5.00pm Fr Matthew Donnelly  
8.00pm Fr Joseph Donkor

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 1 6.30pm Dr George Moses RIP  
Mon 3 10.00am Holy Souls  
6.30pm Kazimiera Owoc RIP  
Tue 4 10.00am Anton Benedict RIP  
6.30pm John Redwood RIP  
Wed 5 10.00am John Tierney RIP  
12.30pm Funeral of Neville DeSouza  
6.30pm Ashley Pendleton RIP  
Thu 6 10.00am Maria Keaveney-Jessiman RIP  
6.30pm Mike Glyn RIP  
Fri 7 10.00pm Mena Greenan RIP  
12noon Funeral of Matthew Abbey  
6.30pm Richie Doherty RIP  
Sat 8 10.00am Special Intention

### 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 Peter Littleton (020 8725 3069 or 020 8672 1255)

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

Kingston Hospital: Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711)

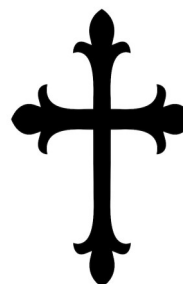
### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** John O'Neill, Gianni Lazzari, Neville DeSouza, Matthew Abbey, Patricia O'Donnell, Cailean Taylor and Patrick Lauson

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Robert Earl Clautice, Colin Schembri, Daphne Minas, Mateo Rudd, Neil Murphy, Mary Margaret Welch and Eileen O'Connell

**The sick:** Hui Lee Ng, Edwar Wassef, Nicky Steiner, Alexia Graham, Natalie Williams, Karolina Masica, David Fry, Paul Stromborg, Mike Greene, Teresa Escalona, Donal Weir, Giovanni Baldacchino, Kim Carr, Luca Buttaci, 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.



### FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

**Mon 3 July** St Thomas Apostle, Feast  
**Tue 4 July** St Elizabeth of Portugal  
**Wed 5 July** St Anthony Zaccaria, Priest  
**Thu 6 July** St Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr  
**Fri 7 July** The Translation of St Thomas, Bishop and Martyr  
**Sat 8 July** 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

Kyrie: Mass in 4 parts William Byrd

Offertory motet: *Sacerdotes*

*Domini*, William Byrd

Sanctus: Mass in 4 parts William Byrd

Communion motet: *Agnus Dei* Mass in 4 parts William Byrd

*William Byrd b. c1540 d: 4th July 1623*

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 confidentiality. Leave contact details with the parish office or email [presidentA190704@svp.org.uk](mailto:presidentA190704@svp.org.uk).

For donations, please scan the QR Code with your phone; your donation will help fund the wide range of liturgical, spiritual and cultural activities which run in the parish. Thank you.

