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Newsletter

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2024 Year of Prayer

Third Sunday of Easter (B)

Third Week of Easter Vol. II psalter week 3

TODAY'S MASS

First Reading (Acts 3:13-15.17-19): We continue in Eastertide to hear the First Readings from the *Acts of the Apostles*, recording how the Easter faith was proclaimed, received, and lived in the years after the Resurrection. St Peter echoes Our Lord's words in today's Gospel and His words at the beginning of His public ministry.

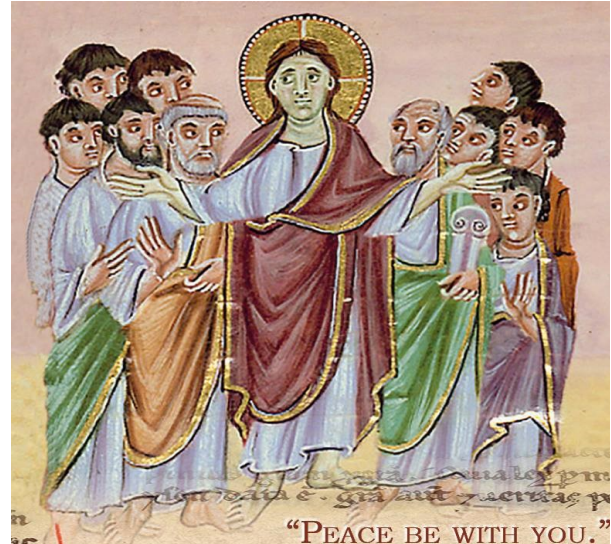
Psalm (Ps 4:2.4.7.9): Who hasn't been kept awake by regrets and troubles? Peace, and sleep, come from God (from having a good conscience, we might express it).

Second Reading (1 Jn 2:1-5): The 'sin' referred to in this passage is the harm caused by division in the community.

St John says that the person who really knows God is the one who keeps his commands and so enables love to enter in.

Gospel (Lk 24:35-48): The bread and the fish remind us of the feeding of the five thousand. The risen Jesus Christ - after explaining how his saving acts fulfilled the Scriptures - tells His disciples that their task now is to preach '*repentance for the forgiveness of sins*', and they are to do this '*to all the nations*'. The Good News is thus not just the fulfilment of Jewish hopes and beliefs but is to spread to everyone.

Fr David



CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

After the 8.00am and 10.00am Masses, in the Lower Hall. Come and have something delicious to eat, a tea or coffee, and a chat with other parishioners.

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon David Gibbons, KCHS
Parish Clergy: Fr Matthew Donnelly, Fr Jackson Sebastian and Deacon Julian Burling
Team member: Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU
Faith Minister: Rob Hitchcock

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Burlington Road, KT3 4ND
school@sacredheart.merton.sch.uk
Headteacher: Lorraine Dolan-Walsh

This Week

CALLING SINGERS!

The Sacred Heart Chorus will have its first rehearsal for this year's June concert this Monday 15th April. It doesn't matter if you haven't signed up yet or been to the workshop, if you would like to sing come along this Monday at 7.30pm in the Church.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Because the Church will be in use by King's College School there is no morning Exposition on Wednesday. Exposition as normal from 5.25-6.25pm.

Exposition as normal on Friday (10.30am-12.00noon and 5.25-6.25pm).

THURSDAY: MASS AT SACRED HEART SCHOOL

At 9.00am on Thursday in the school hall. Parishioners as well as parents and family members are very welcome to attend.

AGNES BENI THIRUGNANENDRAN RIP

Funeral Mass on Saturday at 11.15am, followed by burial at the Merton & Sutton Cemetery.

NEXT SUNDAY: MISSION APPEAL

At Sunday Masses next weekend, we welcome Fr Martin Goba CSSp, who will be making the annual Mission Appeal on behalf of the Spiritans or Holy Ghost Fathers. Please visit <https://spiritans.co.uk> for information about the British Province. You can use the card reader to donate to this appeal: select 'Second Collection'.

Because of this Appeal the scheduled collection next weekend for the *Priest Training Fund* will be rearranged for a later date.

Parish Notices

THE EASTER VIGIL

A report of our Easter Vigil Mass can be found on the *Some Definite Service* blog, at <https://some-definite-service.blogspot.com/2024/04/Easter.html>. Canon David affirms that he didn't pay the author to write such a good account, and in fact we don't know who the author is.

CANON DAVID

Canon David will be formally installed as Canon of the Cathedral at the Chapter Mass on Tuesday 23rd April, at 6.00pm in St George's Cathedral. All parishioners are very welcome to attend a ceremony which most people have probably never seen.

EMAIL ADDRESS

Paul Davis, our Sacristan, Authorised Person (for Weddings) and webmaster

now has an official diocesan email address: wimbletonsacristan@rcaos.org.uk. Please use this email address in any correspondence on these matters.

YOUTH 2000 COMES TO SACRED HEART

On 11th May Sacred Heart will host a Youth 2000 event. Youth 2000's-day event is where young people (aged between 16-35) can experience an encounter with God. It will be supported by the young people at 9 Edge Hill, priests and religious and of course the parish. It is eucharistic centred, with a special Mass at 4.30pm, and with a devotion to Mary, and is a day filled with great content. We are looking for anyone who would be willing to host

some of the team, speakers and priests who will be coming for the event. It will just simply be a bed for the night on 11th May and we would greatly appreciate it. Anyone who can help please email Max Toone on mjrtoone@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE

Sacred Heart Feast Day celebration: Sunday 9th June 2024, 12.30-4pm: Join us for a barbecue & drinks in the church garden! All welcome; donations invited. If you can help us set-up on the day, or are interested in running a stall or games, please get in touch on ppc@sacredheartwimbleton.org.uk. More details to follow!

Diocesan & Other Notices

PASTORAL MESSAGE ON THE QUESTION OF ASSISTED SUICIDE

The Archbishop has written a Pastoral Message to all parishioners on this question. He also refers to efforts to permit abortion up to birth. You can find a copy on the diocesan website, <https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/> or ask Thelma in the Parish Office for a printed copy. The Archbishop encourages all parishioners to write to your MP to ask them to oppose this dangerous threat to the dignity and value of human life.

CONCERT IN AID OF HUMANITARIAN RELIEF FOR THE HOLY LAND

Given by renowned pianist Bobby Chen, featuring music by Beethoven ('Moonlight Sonata'), Schubert and Liszt at Farm Street Church (WIK 3AH) on Saturday 27th April at 7.30pm. Tickets - £50 Concert & Reception, £25 Concert only) from <https://www.tickettailor.com>. All proceeds will be donated to the Humanitarian Relief Fund of the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem through the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem.

NOTICE

The Requiem Mass for David Barnes (brother of Fr Michael Barnes SJ) will take place on Friday 19th April at 12.30pm at Our Lady and All Saints Church, Lancaster Lane, Parbold, Lancashire, WN8 7HS.

Please join David's family as they celebrate David's life. It is intended there will be a live-stream in place. But if you can join in person that will be wonderful.

Other Notices

MEMORY LANE CLUB

This popular club for people with dementia and their carers is open every Wednesday from 10.30am-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.

NEWMAN CIRCLE

Newman Circle Meeting on Tuesday 16 April at 7.30pm in the Parish Lounge. All are welcome to a talk by Fr Dominic Robinson SJ, Parish Priest at the Church of Immaculate Conception, Farm Street, and chair of the Westminster Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission on 'What is the Church's Teaching on Climate Change? Should we care? Do we care?'

BLUES AND ROOTS ENSEMBLE

The Blues and Roots Ensemble specialises in sharing music by Charles Mingus through concerts and education projects. Having sold out their Wimbledon Music Festival

concert last November they return to Sacred Heart on Friday 24th May at 7pm (doors open at 6.30pm), Upper Hall, to fundraise for their upcoming outreach work. Tickets (£40) available at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/wimbledon/upper-hall-sacred-heart-church/blues-and-roots-ensemble-fundraising-concert/2024-05-24/19:00/t-gaglnqq>

MAYORAL ASSEMBLY

At 6.00pm on Thursday 25th April at Methodist Central Hall, there will be a meeting of up to 2000 London citizens challenging mayoral candidates, including the incumbent Sadiq Khan, to make pledges on key issues including housing, migration justice and fair work and wages. As active members of Merton Citizens, Sacred Heart parish has committed to sending 10 representatives to this assembly. If you would like to be one and to witness democracy in action, please contact David at dthurst52@gmail.com.

Exploring our Faith

A DAY WITH MARY

Pilgrimage to Fatima, 7th-14th June; for the full pilgrimage outline and registration please visit adaywithmary.org; cost from £870 pp (twin room/£950 single room on request); BA return flight LHR-Lisbon-LHR, 6 days full board accommodation, 1 day half board.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

The Wimbledon College Hospitalité, a group of recent and not so recent Old Boys, with their friends and families, who spend a week each year in the service of sick and disabled pilgrims in Lourdes, will return to Lourdes from 23rd - 27th August. The pilgrimage will be led by Father Michael Holman SJ, a former Headmaster of the College. You can be sure of an informal and fulfilling pilgrimage as well as seeing something of the work that the College

Hospitalité does in Lourdes. Everyone is welcome to join the pilgrimage, in particular families of boys at the College. For more information, please email Wimbledon-Lourdes100@gmail.com.

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT MINISTRY

Welcome you to come to a half-day retreat of quiet reflection at Sacred Heart on Saturday 20th April 10.30am-1.00pm; Holy Rosary, video talk by Sr Dr Betty Nina MD/Physician, the Medical Sisters of St Joseph's Kerala India, Spiritual Director LHBMS, discussion on video talk, Christian Meditation, Healing Prayers.

Starting with tea and coffee. For more information, please visit www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com.

New to the Parish?

Please introduce yourself to a member of the Parish Team after Mass and register online at www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

or by filling in a registration form, available at the back of the church.

KATY'S SONGBIRDS

Katy's Songbirds and guests are back to the Sacred Heart Church with an exciting Summer Celebration Concert on Thursday 23rd May from 7.30pm (refreshments in the Upper Hall from 6.30pm). Tickets are £10/£5, for booking, please visit ks-summer24.eventbrite.co.uk or scan the QR code:



TRUSTEE VACANCY WITH MARRIAGE CARE

Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation providing marriage preparation and relationship counselling services across England, Wales and Gibraltar. They are currently looking for Trustees to strengthen their board and to help them continue to provide vital relationship support services to the Catholic community and beyond. For more information please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk.

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.

Parish Safeguarding Reps:

Victoria Wheatley (wimbledonsg1@safeguard.rcaos.org.uk)

Kathleen Kirkland (wimbledonsg2@safeguard.rcaos.org.uk)

Siobhán Heffron (wimbledonsg3@safeguard.rcaos.org.uk)

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr David Gibbons
8.00am Fr Matthew Donnelly
10.00am Fr David Gibbons & Deacon Julian Burling
12 noon Fr Matthew Donnelly
5.00pm Fr David Gibbons & Deacon Julian Burling
8.00pm Fr Matthew Donnelly

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Robin Campbell, Sheila Spaight, Bruce Naylor, Marlene Latham and Agnes Beni Thirugnanendran

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Rose Maher, Sadie Brown, Patricia Small, Valentina McGough, Sarah Boner, Margaret Walsh, Mary Prior, Avandale Durand and Agnieszka Ptaszynska

The sick: Joseph Philpott, Electa Almeida, Margaret Duffy, Karolina Masica, Felicitas Nerée, Finley Kennedy, Pauline Grimes, Sherlyn Titton, Geoffrey Norris, Anne Lander, Olivia Chiemieliska, Harriette Cahill, Hui Lee Ng, Audra Wamsteker, Paul Stromborg, 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.



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)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 15 April Feria

10.00am Mirella Hooker (Speedy Recovery)

6.30pm Brother Bonaventure Ints.

Tuesday 16 April Feria

10.00am Catherine Desmond RIP

6.30pm Pat Leahy RIP

Wednesday 17 April Feria

10.00am Rev. Fr John Kilmartin RIP

6.30pm St Jude Thanksgiving

Thursday 18 April St Henry Walpole, Priest and Martyr

9.00am Mass at Sacred Heart School, School Hall

10.00am Fatima Fernandes Thanksgiving

6.30pm Doreen Lister RIP

Friday 19 April Feria

10.00am Pat Kennedy RIP

6.30pm Victor De Costa RIP

Saturday 20 April Feria

10.00am Blanca Newland (Birthday)

11.15am Funeral Mass for Beni Thirugnanendran

6.30pm Antonio D'Souza RIP

MUSIC AT THE 12 NOON MASS

Cantate Domino, Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

O sing joyfully, Adrian Batten

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

First Reading	Acts 4:8-12
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 117:1.8-9.21-23.26.28-29 R.v.22
Second Reading	1 Jn 3:1-2
Gospel Acclamation	Jn 10:14
Gospel	Jn 10:11-18

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, for 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 confidentiality. Leave contact details with the parish office or email 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.

