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Newsletter

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2024 Year of Prayer

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time Vol. III psalter week 3

TODAY'S MASS:

First Reading (Amos 7:12-15): Despite not being a member of the order of prophets and being merely a shepherd and sycamore tree cultivator, Amos is nonetheless called by God to prophesy.

Psalms (Ps 84:9-14.R.v8): In his mercy God has forgiven us before; now we ask him to forgive us again.

Second Reading (Eph 1:3-14): Today we hear the first in a series of readings from the *Letter to the Ephesians*, in a beautiful and typically Jewish passage about the Blessing of God.

Gospel (Mk 6:7-13): the Twelve are sent out in pairs: they are to travel light, preach repentance, cast out devils, and anoint sick people. As a starting point for reflection, what prevents us nowadays from 'travelling light'? What baggage encumbers the Church in its mission? Are we more concerned for maintenance than mission? How, in 2024, do we witness to the simplicity and trust in Christ shown by the Twelve?

Fr David



Jesus sends out the Twelve Apostles, Mosaic at the Triclinium of Pope Leo III, ca. 799, Lateran, Rome

SEA SUNDAY

The Second Collection today is for *Stella Maris* (formerly The Apostleship of the Sea), the Catholic charity which supports seafarers worldwide. 90% of world trade is transported by ship, but the life of a seafarer is lonely, away from families for long periods, and can be dangerous. *Stella Maris* offers practical care, spiritual support (most seafarers are Catholic) and friendship. The charity relies wholly on voluntary contributions and can only continue its work through the generous donations of its supporters, particularly this collection. Thank you for supporting this good cause!

DIACONATE DAY

The name 'Deacon' comes from the Greek word 'diakonia', which means 'service'. The Diaconal Ministry is a ministry of service with three functions: the ministry of the Word, proclaiming the Gospel, the ministry of the Altar, serving at Holy Mass, and the ministry of charity, caring for the poor and needy. A Permanent Deacon is an Ordained man, married or single, called to assist the Bishop and the local Priest, and the parish. The Diaconate is rooted in Scripture, especially *1 Timothy 3: 8-12*. Are you a man between 21 and 58 years, with a desire to serve God and God's people in the Archdiocese? Please speak to Deacon Julian to find out more.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

At the 10.00am Mass. Please follow the instructions at the beginning of Mass.

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

TERESA KAY RIP

Funeral Mass at the 10.00am Mass on Tuesday, followed by burial at the Putney Vale Cemetery.

PARISH OFFICE

Thelma will be away on a pilgrimage from Thursday, for a week. The Presbytery Reception will be open at the normal weekday times (9.00am - 4.00pm) but there may not be anyone in the Parish Office while she is away.

JOHN SHERWELL RIP

Funeral Mass at 2.30pm on Thursday, followed by Cremation at the North-east Surrey Crematorium.

FRIDAY ADORATION

Wimbledon College has its Ignatius Mass on Friday morning; there will therefore be no Adoration on Friday morning.

MARIA LEVITA ALMEIDA RIP

Funeral Mass at 1.00pm on Friday, followed by Cremation at the Putney Vale Crematorium.

ORDINATION

Please pray for Rev'd Frazer Bellfield, to be ordained to the Sacred Priesthood on Saturday by the Archbishop.

NEXT SUNDAY:

SECOND COLLECTION

The Second Collection next weekend will be for Jesuit Missions, the international mission and development organisation of the Jesuits in Britain. Representatives of Jesuit Missions will be speaking at all Masses. Thank you for your support, your donations help to improve the lives of thousands of people around the world (<https://jesuitmissions.org.uk/>).



Parish Notices

PARISH FINANCES

The parish accounts for 2023 have been posted on the noticeboard in the church and can also be viewed under the Finance Committee page of the website. If you have not yet reviewed your planned giving for 2024, it is not too late; forms are available at the back of the church.

FINANCE

The total collected for the Second Collection for *Faith in Action* was £1,522.82.

Thank you for your generosity.

CHOIR SUMMER BREAKS

The 12.00 noon Mass Choir will sing on Sunday 21st July and then take a formal break until September. There will still be the organ and voluntary vocal support at this Mass during the break. The 10.00am Mass Choir will also take a similar break - although there will normally be some music over the summer holiday period. The 5.00pm Mass Choir will also take a break and resume in September.

We take this opportunity of thanking all our musicians, without whom our Sunday and other Masses would be so flat.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2024/25

Registration is now open for the First Confession and First Holy Communion programme for the next academic year.

Parents, please visit <https://form.jotform.com/241694476972068> or scan the below QR code to register your child, who should be in Year 3 or above; (please provide a copy of the child's Baptism Certificate if the child was not baptised at Sacred Heart). Closing date: Monday 16th September.



LEGION OF MARY PEREGRINATIO PRO CHRISTO

From 17th to 24th August twelve Legionaries will conduct a visitation project in the parish. Please pray for the success of the project. We still need accommodation for a couple of volunteers for the week (just bed & breakfast, and they will pay for the accommodation). Please contact Thelma in the Parish Office if YOU can provide this. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER

Please note that the distribution of the Newsletter will now pause until the 31st August/1st September.

CLERGY HOLIDAYS

Fr David will be away 4th - 11th August. Fr Matthew will be taking a holiday from 22nd July - 3rd August, and from 12th - 25th August. His replacement, Fr David Hunter, will be coming during some of August, to assist with the Masses and Confessions.

HOLY MATRIMONY

The following Weddings will take place over the summer: Maurizio Deufemia and Noura El-Bitar on Saturday 1st August at 3.00pm; Scott Hurry and Sarah-Jane Rogers on Saturday 3rd August at 1.00pm, Sean Ryan & Sevinj Guliyeva on Thursday 22nd August at 3.00pm, Peter Saunders & Meaghan Hinkis on Saturday 24th August at 12.00noon.

ADVANCE NOTICE: THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on Thursday 15th August. This is a Holyday of Obligation, when Catholics are expected to attend Holy Mass. Holy Mass at 6.30pm (Vigil Mass on the Wednesday), and 10.00am, 6.30pm and 8.00pm (on the day). Please put it in your diary now so you don't forget. This feast has for centuries been the principal feast of Our Lady in England.

TEMPORARY CARETAKER

We require a temporary caretaker for the period 9 September - 4 October while the parish caretaker is away. A knowledge of health and safety procedures an advantage (3hrs/day, £18/hr, Mon-Fri, occasional evenings to lock-up after events in the halls. Please apply to Thelma D'Costa at the Parish Office.

Diocesan & Other Notices

INTERNAL AUDITORS NEEDED

Additional Internal Auditors are being recruited for the Archdiocesan Audit Programme. The purpose is to demonstrate to HMRC that parishes are adequately recording Gift Aided donations and claiming tax refunds. The work includes visiting a handful of parishes per year, for which a rate per day plus travel expenses will be paid. If you have auditing experience, please contact Paul Jackson, the diocesan Finance Director, at pauljackson@rcaos.org.uk.

PASTORAL MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP TO NIGERIANS

Following his visit to Nigeria to ordain priests, the Archbishop has issued a Pastoral Message to Catholics from Nigeria or with Nigerian heritage. The Pastoral Message can be found on the Archdiocese of Southwark website (<https://rcaos.org.uk/diocese/archbishop-john-wilson/archbishop-wilson-letters/pastoral-letters/pastoral-message-to-nigerian-catholics/>).

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

23rd-30th August; details, including volunteering and accommodation options, can be found at <https://rcaos.org.uk>, click on the News tab.

Exploring Our Faith

A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to a *Day with Mary*, a day of instruction, devotion and intercession, on Saturday 27th July from 11.00am-5.30pm, at St Anslem's Church, Balham High Street, SW17 8BS; Mass in honour of Our Lady, celebrant & preacher: Fr Pius Collins o.praem, sermon on Our Lady by Fr Agnelo de Souza; Exposition & Procession of the Blessed Sacrament, Silent Adoration and Prayers. For more information about upcoming events (28th August, St George's Cathedral) please visit <http://www adaywith mary.org/>.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 2nd August at 2.30 in the Lounge: *Objects of Interest*, please bring along something of interest to share with the group. Tea and cakes as always. All are welcome.

CALLING CAKE MAKERS

Would you be willing - once a month - to make a cake for those with dementia attending Memory Lane Club? Home-made cake is always much more of a treat than a shop one! For more information, please contact Sue on 07810 010 306.

ART EXHIBITION

There will be an Art Exhibition by the Marian Franciscans on Saturday 27th July from 10.00am - 8.00pm in the Lower Hall, free entry, all are welcome.

GREGORIAN CHANT DAY SAVE THE DATE

A Gregorian chant workshop day will be held by the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge on Saturday 12th October from 10.45am-6.10pm at Sacred Heart Church, culminating in the celebration of sung Vespers in the church by the participants. All, including beginners, are welcome. Further details to follow. Any inquiries to Deacon Julian.

CELEBRATION OF ST FAUSTINA AYLESFORD PRIORY

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Celebration of St Faustina at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 26th August from 10.00am to 4.30pm. The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Call Millie on 07957 594 646 for more information. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria.

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.

WORLD DAY OF GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

The theme of the 4th World Day - which falls on 28th July - is 'Do not cast me off in my old age' (Psalm 71:9). Attending to our grandparents and the elderly is not only a sign of gratitude and affection, but a necessity in the construction of a more human and fraternal society. Pope Francis invites us to use this World Day to inspire us to recognise the value of the elderly not just once a year, but permanently. This year's theme highlights the loneliness suffered by many old people. Please visit www.laityfamilylife.va for more information, the Pope's message, resources, prayers for this Day. Can YOU

- visit a lonely elderly person, perhaps taking a gift such as flowers?
- invite and bring to Mass an elderly person on the World Day, remembering that transport may be needed?
- find the time to assist an older person, eg with shopping or transport to the doctors etc?
- pray for the elderly?
- support local projects which aid the elderly?
- consider how you honour your father and mother (which includes grandparents)?

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)

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

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

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Mary Durning, Manuel Munguia, John Sherwell, Maria Levita Almeida and Teresa Kay

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Liam Gilsenan, Eileen O'Connell, Jean Marie Hook, Frank Quinn, Margaret Monteith, Margaret Tyrell, Felicia Rathbone and Maria Dusauzay

The sick: Finley Kennedy, Samar Staussi, Thelma Lobo, Felicitas Nerée, Jim Tait, Maria Tinker, Dorothy Ramos, Armando Ramos, Rena DeSouza, Electa Almeida, Margaret Duffy, Karolina Masica, Geoffrey Norris, Harriette Cahill, Paul Stromborg, Ryan Lyndsey and Emily Grey.

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.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 13 July

6.30pm Joaquim Pires and Ana Rosa Carneiro RIP

Monday 15 July St Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

10.00am Private Intentions

6.30pm Claire & Niall Henry Ints.

Tuesday 16 July Our Lady of Mount Carmel

10.00am Funeral Mass for Teresa Kay

6.30pm Stanislaw Falgowski Ints.

Wednesday 17 July Feria

10.00am Beni & Charles Thiru RIP

6.30pm Electa Almeida Thanksgiving

Thursday 18 July Feria

10.00am Beni & Charles Thiru RIP

2.30am Funeral Mass for John Sherwell

6.30pm Electa Almeida Thanksgiving

Friday 19 July Feria

10.00am Joanne Thiru RIP

1.00pm Funeral Mass for Maria Levita Almeida

6.30pm Berta Palha RIP

Saturday 20 July The Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00am Samar Staussi Ints.

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Thursday 25 July

2.00pm Memorial Mass for Siobhan Williams 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: 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)

MUSIC AT THE 12 NOON MASS

Entry hymn: 377 *Lord accept the gifts we offer*

Kyrie/Gloria: 459/460

Offertory motet: *O praise the Lord*, Adrian Batten

Communion motet: *Let thy merciful ears*, Thomas Mudd

Communion hymn: 184 *Forth in Thy name*

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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

First Reading Jer 23:1-6

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22. R.v.1

Second Reading Eph 2:13-18

Gospel Acclamation Jn 10:27

Gospel Mk 6:30-34

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.

