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Newsletter

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Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time • Vol. IV • Psalter Week IV

Today's Mass

First Reading: Riches – and indeed, health and beauty – are as nothing compared to Wisdom. For Christians, Wisdom in the Old Testament refers to Jesus Christ. Hence the great 'Hagia Sophia' basilica in Constantinople (now Istanbul, *pictured*) was dedicated to the Wisdom of God, the second person of the Trinity.

Psalm: Amid life's brevity and cares, we pray for wisdom and joy.

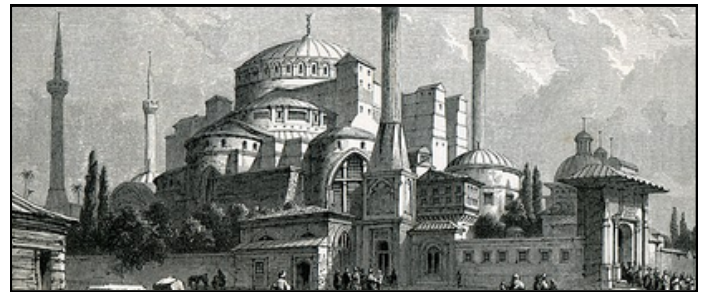
Second Reading: The author describes the word of God. Is this the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ?

Gospel: Jesus tells the rich young man to sell everything he owns and give the money to the poor, and then to follow Him. Are we to take this literally, that every Christian should give their possessions away? Or does it apply only to certain people, such as those in religious orders who take the vow of poverty? Or does it mean that each Christian should eliminate their particular impediment from following Jesus (which might be wealth, or lust, or sinfulness, or...?)?

Canon David

Fourth annual Mass count

The fourth annual Mass count takes place this weekend. Mass attendance last weekend was 1,368.



This Sunday's second collection: Manna

There will be a collection for the Manna Society at the end of Masses this Sunday. Manna's day centre supports homeless people near London Bridge; more information is available at mannasociety.org.uk. Please place your food items in the box provided at the back of the church.

Continental breakfast this Sunday

Join us in the Lower Hall for a continental breakfast after both the 8.00am and 10.00am Masses. Bacon, sausage rolls, pastries, teas, and coffees will be served to accompany the excellent conversations! Any donations are gratefully received.

Confirmation

Many congratulations to Austin Worrall, who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 5.00pm Mass this Sunday.

Parish Pastoral Team

Parish Priest	Canon David Gibbons KCHS
Parish Clergy	Fr David Hunter
	Fr Sebastian Jackson
	Deacon Julian Burling
Team Member	Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU
Faith Minister	Rob Hitchcock

Readings at Mass

	This Sunday	Next Sunday
First Reading	Wisdom 7:7–11	Isaiah 53:10–11
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 89(90):12-17	Psalm 32(33):4–5,18–22
Second Reading	Hebrews 4:12–13	Hebrews 4:14–16
Gospel Acclamation	Matthew 11:25	John 14:6
Gospel	Mark 10:17–30	Mark 10:35–45

Volunteers wanted!

There will be a short announcement at the end of each Mass this Sunday about various groups/organisations that need volunteers to help. In particular, the Winter Night Shelter will need helpers one day a week over the winter months. Other groups which would be glad of more help include church cleaners, flower arrangers, and the Finance Committee. Don't be shy to volunteer your help! If you are away this weekend but would like to volunteer, please contact the Parish Office to be connected with a group.

This week

Day of Prayer for prisoners and their families

This Sunday 13 October and throughout Prisons Week (13–19 October), we remember prisoners and their families.

Prisons are in crisis and life for prisoners and their families in our communities is challenging. The Prison Advice and Care Trust (PACT), the national Catholic prison charity, supports prisoners, their families, and their children, offering them hope and the chance to turn their lives around.

Please visit www.prisonadvice.org.uk for further information and to donate to PACT.

James Tait RIP

Funeral Mass at 11.30am on Monday 14 October, followed by Cremation at Putney Vale Crematorium.

9.00am Thursday 17 October Mass at Sacred Heart RC Primary School

All parents, family members, and indeed parishioners are invited to this Holy Rosary Mass in the school's hall.

David O'Keeffe RIP

Funeral Mass at 12 noon on Thursday 17 October, followed by burial at Merton & Sutton Cemetery.

Holy Matrimony

The Wedding of Aaron Vas and Audrey Thomas is on Friday 18 October at 11.30am. There will therefore be no Adoration on Friday morning.

10.30am – 1.00pm Saturday 19 October LHBMSM Half-Day of Reflection

Love Heals Body Mind & Spirit Ministry welcomes you to a half-day retreat of quiet reflection at our church. The day includes introductory teas and coffees, a Rosary, a talk by Sister Betty Nina, LHBMSM's spiritual director, group discussion, Christian meditation, and healing prayers.

For further information, please email lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com.

11.00am – 4.00pm Saturday 19 October South West London Area Day of Retreat & Reflection

All Mass Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at our parish and in the South West London Area are asked to participate in this day, hosted in our Upper Hall.

After registration, teas, and coffees, sessions will explore the Word of God in the life of the Church, using Scripture in our spiritual lives, the new lectionary translation, and other practical matters.

Please email wimbledon@rcaos.org.uk to register, and please bring a packed lunch.

Next Sunday's second collection: Missio

Missio is the Church's official organ for supporting foreign missions. Our collection at Masses next Sunday 20 October will support churches, hospitals, schools, and vocations in areas where the Church is new, young or poor: local church directly helping local church.

Parish notices

Becoming a Catholic

If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming a Catholic – either someone who is not baptised and wishes to be, or someone baptised in a non-Catholic Church who is interested in being received into full communion with the Church – then now is the time to apply for our RCIA course.

Please give the name and contact details to Sister Dorothy or Thelma in the Parish Office. There is no commitment at this stage: it is just 'come and see'.

Vacancy: Deputy Catering Manager at Wimbledon College

Wimbledon College seeks a Deputy Catering Manager for 7.00am – 2.00pm weekdays, term-time only. Please visit www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk/jobopportunities for further information. Apply online before Wednesday 16 October at www.eteach.com/jobs?empNo=19737.

Vacancy: Clerk to Governors at Donhead Preparatory School

Donhead Preparatory School seeks a Clerk to Governors for immediate start. The role requires c. 45 hours per annum and attendance at several meetings each term, mostly on weekday evenings. A fee is offered subject to skills and experience. Applications close on Friday 18 October. For further information or to apply, please contact Celeste Franklin at headteacherpa@donhead.org.uk.

Lyrics for the 5.00pm Mass



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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 Representatives: Victoria Wheatley (wimbledonsg1@safeguard.rcaos.org.uk)
Kate Kirkland (wimbledonsg2@safeguard.rcaos.org.uk) · Siobhán Heffron (wimbledonsg3@safeguard.rcaos.org.uk)

Forthcoming parish liturgies and events

Friday 1 November: All Saints' Day (Holy Day of Obligation)

The Solemnity of All Saints is a Holy Day of Obligation. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 6.30pm (Vigil on Thursday 31 October), 10.00am, 6.30pm, and 8.00pm. Please note that there will be no First Friday evening Adoration.

2.30pm Friday 1 November Friendship Group film screening

The Friendship Group will meet in the Lounge for a film screening of *The Lady in the Van* (2015), starring Dame Maggie Smith, accompanied by ice creams, teas, and biscuits. Everyone is welcome to join.

Saturday 2 November: All Souls' Day

On All Souls' Day, Holy Mass of Requiem for all the Faithful Departed will be offered at 8.00am, 10.00am, and 6.30pm. Please note that the Saturday evening Mass, although it fulfils your Sunday obligation, will be a Mass of All Souls, not of Sunday.

Children's liturgy

The children's liturgy continues during the 10.00am Mass on Sundays 20 October, 3 and 11 November, and 1, 8, and 15 December. Children in Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 are invited to attend with their parents.

Diocesan notices

11.00am – 4.00pm Saturday 12 October Annual Justice and Peace Diocesan Assembly

The Archdiocese of Southwark's 2024 Annual Assembly will be hosted by the Justice and Peace Commission at St James the Great Catholic Church, Petts Wood (BR5 1BJ). Bishop Emeritus Patrick Lynch will celebrate Mass at 10.00am, followed by registration and the programme.

The assembly is entitled: 'God Walks With His People: in search for a solution to poverty both home and overseas'. Everyone is welcome, entrance is free, lunch is provided, and donations are appreciated. Please reserve your place by emailing jpiccontact@rcaos.org.uk.

The Archbishop's Certificate

The Archbishop's Certificate (ArchCert) is a two-year online course incorporating three in-person study days for all in Southwark who wish to understand their faith in a more profound way and be able to share it with both confidence and joy.

The Archbishop's Certificate is in accord with Archbishop John Wilson's vision for a missionary archdiocese and is open to all who work towards this. The course will commence on 12 October with an introductory Zoom session and the first in-person session will take place on 19 October at St George's Cathedral.

For further information, please visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert or email archcert@aec.rcaos.org.uk.

9.30am – 4.30pm Saturday 2 November Annual Day of Healing

Organised by the Catholic Charismatic Diocesan Service of Communion at St George's Cathedral, this celebration of praise and worship includes talks, Confessions, prayer for healing, and Holy Mass. The keynote speaker will be Fr Columba Jordan CFR.

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies

The CCRS is a knowledge-based, internationally-recognised qualification that provides participants with an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic faith. It enhances the understanding that education within the Church is a life-long process which leads to greater intimacy with Jesus Christ. This course presents the basic foundational teachings of the Catholic Church in a captivating, inspiring, and applicable way.

The CCRS is designed and intended to support the Archbishop's vision of missionary parishes and schools by cultivating an evangelistic spirit. Participants will be equipped to make informed and practical contributions to their chosen field of church ministry.

For further information, please visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs. Applications for this year close on Monday 4 November.

New to the parish?

Welcome! Please introduce yourself to a member of the parish team after Mass and register online at www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk or by filling out a registration form, available at the back of the church.

Other notices

Wednesday 20 November ACN Red Wednesday

Your support over the years means that #RedWednesday is now a significant voice for persecuted Christians around the world. Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is extremely grateful for your support.

This year's focus is on Christian children who are displaced and suffering due to targeted violence. Watch out for ACN's Red Alert. For further information on ACN, please visit acnuk.org.

6.00pm Monday 14 October Marymount International School IBDP (Sixth Form) Open Evening

Marymount International School London is an independent Catholic day and boarding school for girls aged 11-18. To attend Marymount's IBDP (Sixth Form) Open Evening, please register at www.marymountlondon.com.

A day in the life of a parish priest

Do you think God may be calling YOU to become a priest? Please visit www.cbcew.org.uk/a-day-in-the-life-of-a-parish-priest for two videos, one of which includes a priest from this diocese.

Jubilee Year 2025

If you are thinking of going to Rome for the Jubilee Year next year, please visit www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html for information, including how to obtain the required digital pilgrims' card. The year's programme can be found on the poster at the back of the church.

Church car park

Please remember always to register your car number when using the church car park (except Sundays). Registration tablets can be found in the church entrance, the presbytery reception, and the hall entrances.

Celebrants this Sunday

6.30pm (Sat)	Canon David Gibbons
8.00am	Fr Jackson Sebastian
10.00am	Fr David Hunter
12 noon	Fr Jackson Sebastian
5.00pm	Canon David Gibbons
8.00pm	Fr David Hunter

We remember in our prayers

Those who have died recently

James Tait • David O'Keeffe • Maria Mammolito • Alan Nicholas

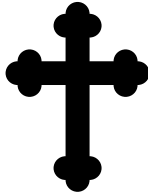
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Peter Amby • Irene Harding • Betty Radevsky • Stephen Eaton
Margaret McNerney • Sr Dorothy Wilcock SSA
Thomas Pilkington • Norah McEntee • Anthony de la Mere
Leonard Laundy • Michael Byrne • Angela Mondelli • Diogu Peters
Ian Sambitan • Juanita Pichay • Ronald Recososa

Those who are sick

Penny Sewell • Corné Rossouw • Finley Kennedy • Samar Staussi
Thelma Lobo • Maria Tinker • Dorothy Ramos • Armando Ramos
Rena DeSouza • Geoffrey Norris • Ryan Lyndsey • Emily Grey
Electa Almeida • Margaret Duffy • Karolina Masica

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. For data protection reasons, individuals must explicitly agree for their names to be mentioned in our newsletter.



Exposition

After the 10.00am Mass
Wednesdays and Fridays
and 5.25pm – 6.25pm

Reconciliation

6.00pm – 6.20pm
Mondays to Saturdays and
10.30am – 11.30am Saturdays

Hospital contacts

If you or a member of your family are admitted to a local hospital, please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know.

St George's: Fr Peter Lilleton (020 8725 3069 or 020 8672 1255)

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

Kingston: Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711)

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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school@sacredheart.merton.sch.uk
Headteacher: Lorraine Dolan-Walsh

Any notices for the weekly newsletter should be emailed to newsletter@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk by Tuesday evening. Please keep notices brief – no more than 40 words.

Weekday Mass intentions

Saturday 12 October

6.30pm Margaret Lydon (RIP)

Monday 14 October

10.00am Josie Ryan (RIP)
11.30am Funeral Mass of James Tait (RIP)
6.30pm Ian Boyce (RIP)

Tuesday 15 October • St Teresa of Jesus

10.00am John Wilson Senior (RIP)
6.30pm James Gallagher (RIP)

Wednesday 16 October • St Margaret Mary Alacoque

10.00am Michael Murphy (RIP)
6.30pm Mary Neville (Ints)

Thursday 17 October • St Ignatius of Antioch

10.00am Maria Keaveney-Jessiman (RIP)
12 noon Funeral Mass of David O'Keeffe (RIP)
6.30pm Philomena Cullagh (RIP)

Friday 18 October • St Luke

10.00am Eileen Helliwell (Ints)
11.30am Holy Matrimony of Aaron Vas & Audrey Thomas
6.30pm Bridget King (RIP)

Saturday 19 October

10.00am Maureen O'Connor & Carol Wheatley (RIP)

Music at the 12 noon Mass

Entry hymn: (21) All My Hope on God is Founded

Kyrie: (468) *Missa Orbis Factor* • **Gloria:** (467) *De Angelis*

Offertory motet: *De profundis clamavi* (C.W. Gluck)

Sanctus: *Missa Orbis Factor*

Communion motet: O Lord, Increase My Faith (H. Loosemore)

Communion hymn: (75) Be Thou My Vision

Parish services and contacts

Parish Office

020 8946 0305
9.00am – 4.00pm
Monday – Friday

Executive Assistant

Thelma D'Costa
Caretaker
George McLennan

Please contact the Parish Office for all enquiries, hall bookings, baptisms, marriages, first sacraments, and funerals.

The **Bereavement Support Group** provides one-to-one support or bereavement drop-in. For more information, please contact: bereavement.group@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk.

The **Sacred Heart SVP Conference** meets to help those living locally in need. All enquiries are dealt with confidentially. Please leave your contact details with the Parish Office or email presidentA190704@svp.org.uk.

Your generosity helps to fund our parish's wide range of liturgical, spiritual, and cultural activities. To donate, please visit: sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/Groups/339238/Donate.aspx.