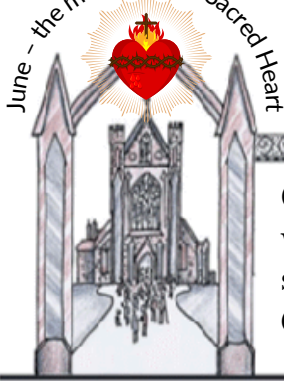


June – the month of the Sacred Heart



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## Newsletter

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Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time



The Sacred Heart Chorus and Orchestra

### MOZART REQUIEM

HAYDN | TRUMPET CONCERTO  
MOZART | OVERTURE TO THE MAGIC FLUTE

Katy Tansey Soprano | Cathy Bell Alto  
John Upperton Tenor | Aleksii Koponen Bass  
Christian Barraclough Trumpet  
Robert Rathbone Conductor

**SAT, 20 JUNE 2026 AT 8PM**

Tickets £20, conc. £15  
under-18s £5, under 12s free



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### Today's Mass

**First Reading** (Exodus 19:2–6a): Israel is established as the People of God. They are no longer slaves. Now God appears to Moses on Mount Sinai, and says that Israel shall be 'a kingdom of priests and a holy nation'. They will become a nation – but a nation dedicated to the God whom they serve. **Psalm 100(99)** is a hymn of praise to God, the creator and shepherd of his people.

**Second Reading** (Romans 5:6–11): Christ's death has reconciled us with God. Reconciliation here means return from alienation, the restoration of a proper relationship with God, which we lost through our sin. Because God has taken the initiative and offers us reconciliation even though we do not deserve it, we can be confident in salvation and eternal life.

**Gospel (Matthew 9:36–10:8)**: The twelve apostles are sent out to continue Jesus' own ministry and mission. They are to do what He has been doing: showing compassion, preaching about the kingdom of heaven, and healing the sick. At this stage, they are to go only to the 'lost sheep of the house of Israel'; the mission's extension to the Gentiles will come later.

Notice the order of the apostles' names: Peter is first – he is to be the leader after Christ's Ascension – and Judas is last – the most dishonoured. The reference to 'sheep without a shepherd' picks up Old Testament language, used in Numbers, 2 Chronicles, and Judith.

*Canon David*



**1.00pm – 4.00pm this Sunday**  
**Sacred Heart Garden Party**

Free entry • Food and drink • Bottle stall • Plant stall •  
Raffle • Entertainment • Games for children

**Invite your friends and bring cash for the stalls and raffle!**

### Parish Pastoral Team

Parish Priest	Canon David Gibbons KCHS
Parish Clergy	Fr Edwin Raj
	Fr Peter Mudu Frank
	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](mailto:school@sacredheart.merton.sch.uk)  
Headteacher: Sarah Norville

## This Sunday

Café in the Lounge  
after the 10.00am Mass

You are warmly invited to join us for tea, coffee, biscuits, etc.!

1.00pm – 4.00pm  
Sacred Heart Garden Party

Please see the front cover.

Social Club after the 8.00pm Mass

All are welcome to join us in the Lounge for a drink and social gathering!

## This week

Paul Thirlwall RIP

Requiem Mass at 12 noon on Monday, preceded by cremation at the Putney Vale Crematorium.

Wimbledon College

Rhetoric (Year 13) will celebrate their Leavers Mass at 2.00pm on Friday in the church.

Synod Gathering

Canon David, as Parish Priest, with Will Morris and Rachel Marshall, as Parish Delegates, will attend a Diocesan Synod Gathering at the Amigo Hall this Saturday 20 June.

8.00pm Saturday 20 June  
Mozart's Requiem

Please see the insert box.

Next Sunday's Second Collection:  
Day for Life

This is the day in the Church's life dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life. The proceeds from the Day for Life Second Collection provide core funding to assist life-related activities supported by the Church.

## 8.00pm this Saturday 20 June: Mozart's Requiem



Join us for a deeply moving evening of choral and orchestral music as the Sacred Heart Chorus and Orchestra presents the Mozart *Requiem*, one of the most powerful and enduring works in the choral repertoire. The evening also includes Mozart's Overture to *The Magic Flute* and Haydn's *Trumpet Concerto*. For more details and to book your tickets, please visit [sacredheartmusic.co.uk/concerts/mozart-requiem](http://sacredheartmusic.co.uk/concerts/mozart-requiem). The concert will be preceded by an outside Prosecco Bar from 7.00pm to 7.50pm, from which you can also pre-order your interval drinks.

**Tickets will also be on sale at this Sunday's Garden Party!** Last time it performed the Mozart *Requiem*, the Sacred Heart Chorus & Orchestra sold 700 tickets, and the queue for tickets was all the way back to the lych gate – so get your tickets early to avoid disappointment!

## St Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition

There are many amazing miracles associated with the Eucharist that have been investigated and documented. St Carlo Acutis was so blown away when he learned about them that he created a profound and moving exhibition on these miracles. You are invited to view this material at St Joseph's Church, New Malden (Montem Road, KT3 3QW).



The exhibition is open until Sunday 28 June at the following times (but no walking is allowed during Masses):

- *Weekdays*: 9.00am – 11.30am
- *Saturdays*: 9.00am – 11.30am and 5.30pm – 7.30pm
- *Sundays*: 9.00am – 1.00pm and 4.00pm – 7.00pm

On Saturday 20 June, the exhibition will be open from 9.00am to 7.00pm, with refreshments and related materials in the parish hall. A video presentation and talk (with tea, coffee, and cake) will take place from 10.30am to 12.30pm. You are so welcome to come: it will really build your faith. Also consider bringing a friend - an opportunity to evangelize.

Friday 10 July – Saturday 11 July  
The Tablet & New Hall Festival 2026  
'Faith in Action: Justice, Peace & the Future of the Church'

This powerful two-day Catholic festival at New Hall, near Chelmsford, brings people from across the UK together to pray, reflect and act for justice, peace and human dignity. It is a joyful, welcoming space for worship, dialogue and renewal. For more details, including topics and speakers, and to book, please visit [thetablet.co.uk/events/the-tablet-new-hall-festival-2026](http://thetablet.co.uk/events/the-tablet-new-hall-festival-2026).

**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 at [sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/safeguarding](http://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/safeguarding).

**Parish Safeguarding Representatives:** Victoria Wheatley ([wimbledonsg1@safeguardraos.org.uk](mailto:wimbledonsg1@safeguardraos.org.uk))  
Maria Christopher ([wimbledonsg5@safeguardraos.org.uk](mailto:wimbledonsg5@safeguardraos.org.uk))

## Forthcoming parish liturgies and events

**Saturday 27 June**  
**Edith Arendrup Pilgrimage**

Join the parish and the Daughters of the Heart of Mary Sisters for a day of pilgrimage to the grave of Edith Arendrup, the founder of our parish, at Bocking, Essex. The coach fare is £25 (excluding food). For more details and to book, please email Thelma at [wimbledon@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:wimbledon@rcaos.org.uk) ASAP.

### Parish notices

#### Vacancy: Halls Committee

The Halls Committee seeks a new volunteer member to help plan the refurbishment of the halls, replacing Jesus Tamara Velasco, who has moved away. This role would be especially suitable for a recently retired parishioner with general management experience. If you are interested, please email Chris Woodward at [wimbledoncof@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:wimbledoncof@rcaos.org.uk).

#### Vacancy: Chef at Ursuline High School

The Ursuline High School seeks a Chef starting in September 2026. For more details, including how to apply by 12 noon this Friday 19 June, please visit [ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk/work](http://ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk/work).

**7.15pm for 7.30pm Tuesday 7 July**  
**Be Well Hub talk: Using listening to improve relationships**

Effective communication skills involve clearly conveying information and actively listening, which improves relationships and professional success. Strengthening these skills requires practice in structured speaking, active listening, and adapting to your audience to foster connection and trust.

Join us in the Lower Hall as psychotherapist Elisabeth Roger unpacks how we can improve our listening skills to improve our relationships. All welcome! Come from 7.15pm for pre-talk refreshments.

### Other notices

**7.00pm this Tuesday 16 June**  
**Byron Concert**

The Choir of Harrow School is offering a concert of sacred choral music at St Simon's, Putney (Hazlewell Road, SW15 6LU), with works by Bairstow, Bruckner, Harris, Philips, Rheinberger, Victoria, and others. All are welcome! Free entry, with a voluntary collection to support Royal Trinity Hospice.

### New to the parish?

Welcome! Please introduce yourself to a member of the parish team after Mass and register online at [sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](http://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk) or by filling out a registration form from the back of the church.

### Other notices (cont'd)

**6.00pm Saturday 27 June**  
**Wimbledon Community Chorus**  
**Summer Serenade**

Come along to this exploration of musical stories at St Matthew's Church (Durham Road, SW20 0DE). Tickets are £18 (£10 for under-16s), with profits to The Amber Trust. Book your tickets at [tinyurl.com/4w9385cb](http://tinyurl.com/4w9385cb).

**3.30pm – 7.30pm Tuesday 30 June**  
**St Philomena's Catholic High School**  
**for Girls Open Evening**

The school in Carshalton (Shorts Road, SM5 3PS) invites current Year 6 girls and their parents to their Open Evening for September 2027 entry. No booking is required.

**12 noon – 4.00pm Sunday 5 July**  
**Richard Challoner School**  
**Summer Fun Day**

The Friends of Richard Challoner School, near Malden Manor (Manor Drive North, KT3 5PE) invites you to this Summer Fun Day. Entry is free.

**7.30pm – 8.45pm Mondays 13 July,**  
**21 September, and 23 November**  
**More Human London**

Three workshops at St Aloysius Parish Hall, near Euston (Phoenix Road, NW1 1TA), will introduce and explore Pope Leo's encyclical *Magnificat humanitas*, on safeguarding the human person in the age of artificial intelligence. Online sessions run at different times. Please register at [tinyurl.com/MoreHuman26](http://tinyurl.com/MoreHuman26). For more details, please email [info@fcjecojustice.co.uk](mailto:info@fcjecojustice.co.uk).

Sacred Heart  
Catholic Primary School



Learning in Love

#### Nursery places available at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School and Nursery

Sacred Heart School has nursery places available for children who will be 2 or 3 years old in September 2026. From September, the Nursery will offer both term-time and all-year-round (48-week) places for 2- and 3-year-olds, with extended hours available from 7.30am to 6.00pm. Based on

the school motto, *Learning in Love*, the Nursery gives the children the best possible start in their learning journey.

Please visit [sacredheart.merton.sch.uk/nursery](http://sacredheart.merton.sch.uk/nursery) for full details, including hours and sessions, funding and costs, food options, teaching and learning, and how to apply for a place. Please note that admissions are processed by the school (do not contact the Parish Office), and that admission to the Nursery does not guarantee a place in Reception – although in the last five years, all the children in the Nursery have gone on to Reception if the parents wished it.



You can now book for the Archdiocese of Southwark's pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul, South Korea, led by Archbishop John Wilson, from 1 to 9 August 2027. World Youth Day brings together around a million young Catholics from across the world with Pope Leo XIV for prayer, catechesis, and liturgy. The pilgrimage is open to young adults aged 18 to 35 who are active in their parish. The full package, including return flights, is £3,270; the package excluding flights is £1,870. A deposit of £400 is required by Monday 29 June. For full details, fundraising information, and booking, please visit [tinyurl.com/wyhome1](http://tinyurl.com/wyhome1).

## Celebrants this Sunday

6.30pm (Sat)	Fr Peter Mudu Frank
8.00am	Canon David Gibbons
10.00am	Fr Edwin Raj & Dcn Julian Burling
12 noon	Fr Peter Mudu Frank & Dcn Julian Burling
5.00pm	Canon David Gibbons
8.00pm	Fr Edwin Raj

## We remember in our prayers

### Those who have died recently

Paul Thirlwall • Caroline 'Sally' Pilkington  
Christopher Nash

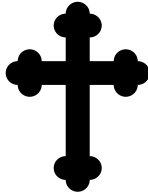
### Those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Louise Dray • Michael Devereaux • Ron Williams  
Hugh McCluskey • Maria Almeida • John Slattery  
Michael Cairns • Dominic Proctor

### Those who are sick

Finley Kennedy • Samar Staussi • Maria Tinker • Emily Grey  
Electa Almeida • Karolina Masica • Mark Capra  
Peter Gent • Margaret Brauer • Karoline Wilhelm-Brown  
Valeria Kucharsky • Debbie Gargan • Patricia Codd  
Hilary Brazier • Ethan Costa Peruzzo • Warlita Villejo  
Ryan Lewis • Joseph Lewis • Peter Boyle • Susan McGuinn  
Teresa Williams • Patricia Byrne • Francis O'Farrell  
Anthony Murphy • Aimee Jones • Marina Francescotti  
Jacqueline Dagnall • Marie Fitzgerald  
William Brown • Peter Rhind

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

Wednesdays and Fridays  
10.30am – 12 noon and  
5.25pm – 6.25pm

First Mondays and Fridays  
of the month  
7.00pm – 8.00pm

## Reconciliation

Mondays to Saturdays  
6.00pm – 6.20pm

Saturdays  
10.30am – 11.30am

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

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

**Kingston:** Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711)

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To donate, scan the QR code or visit [sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/donate](https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/donate).  
Thank you.



## Weekday Mass Intentions

### Saturday 13 June • The Immaculate Heart of the BVM

10.00am Simon Blackman  
6.30pm Lumen D'Silva (RIP)

### Monday 15 June

10.00am Brendan Geoghegan (RIP)  
12 noon Requiem Mass of Paul Thirlwall (RIP)  
6.30pm Hugh McCluskey (RIP)

### Tuesday 16 June

10.00am Dennis Konopka (RIP)  
6.30pm Mary Fripp (RIP)

### Wednesday 17 June

10.00am Clara D'Sa  
6.30pm Eileen Simpson (RIP)

### Thursday 18 June

10.00am Christopher O'Brien (RIP)  
6.30pm Anna & David Patient (Wedding Anniversary)

### Friday 19 June • S John Rigby, M

10.00am Mike Cairns (RIP)  
2.00pm Wimbledon College Leavers  
6.30pm Patrick & Lena Meehan (RIP)

### Saturday 20 June • S Alban, Protomartyr of Britain

10.00am Michael Lee Kim (RIP)  
6.30pm Denis Geoghegan (RIP)

## Music at the 12 noon Mass

Entry hymn: (22) All people that on earth do dwell

Kyrie/Gloria: (459)/(460)

Offertory motet: *Jubilate Deo* (W.A. Mozart)

Communion motet: *Sacerdotes Domini* (W. Byrd)

Communion hymn: (183) Forth in the peace of Christ

Organ: Finale from Symphony no. 1 (L. Vierne)

## Music at the 5.00pm Mass

Scan the QR code or visit  
[sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/5pm](https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/5pm)



## Parish services and contacts

### Parish Office

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9.00am – 4.00pm

Monday – Friday

### Executive Assistant

Thelma D'Costa

### Caretaker

Leo Nicolaou

Please contact the Parish Office for all enquiries, hall bookings, baptisms, first Sacraments, marriages, and funerals. Please email any notices for the weekly newsletter to [wimbledonnewsletter@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:wimbledonnewsletter@rcaos.org.uk) by Tuesday evening.

Please remember always to register your car when using the church car park (except Sundays) via a registration tablet at the church entrance, presbytery reception, or hall entrances.

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](mailto:presidentA190704@svp.org.uk).