



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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## Newsletter

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### First Sunday of Lent (C)

Weekday Readings for  
1st week of Lent

Vol 3. Psalter week 1

Next Sunday's Readings

Second Sunday of Lent

- Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18
- Psalm 26:1.7-9.13-14.R.v1
- Philippians 3:17-4:1
- Luke 9:28-36

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## First Sunday of Lent

We have begun our journey viewing the day and seeking God without popping in for forgiveness where we may a short visit. Lent is a great time to get into the habit of making a short visit to the Blessed Sacrament either on the way to school or the drop off or at the pick up at the end of the day. There are three Masses each day at 7.30am for those who would like to attend Mass before work; at 10am for those at home during the day and at 6.30pm for those on the way home. There are reasonable options if you would like to attend that extra Mass. For the young people and parents dropping their children off for school what about a five minute visit to the Blessed Sacrament. How often do we pass by the House of

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### PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing,  
so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord,  
and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm,  
may bring good news to the poor,  
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,  
and restore sight to the blind. Amen

### THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark

Parish Clergy: Fr Thaddeus Nwokeji and Deacon Julian Burling

Team Members: Fr Michael O'Halloran SJ, Sr Francis SSA, Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU, Cristina Connolly

## CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

This Lent Fast Day, Friday 19th February, we have an opportunity to come together as a Catholic community to ensure girls living in the world's poorest countries are free to change their lives by getting an education. CAFOD is working with local expert organisations around the world to bring water to family homes, so girls who used to spend hours collecting it every day, now have time for school, study and to play with their friends. Fast Days are our opportunity to support that vital work. Please collect your Fast Day envelope from the back of the church this week, and remember to fast on Lent Fast Day. Envelopes will be collected next weekend (20th/21st February). For more information visit <http://cafod.org.uk/events/lent-fast-day>

## VACANCIES AT JESUIT MISSIONS

Jesuit Missions is the mission and development organisation of the Jesuits in Britain. JM is advertising two jobs based in their office in Edge Hill: an Office Administrator and a Supporter Services Assistant. For further information, please visit the JM website <http://jesuitmissions.org.uk/>

## SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Safeguarding of Vulnerable Adults - training open to everyone but of particular relevance to those involved in working with vulnerable adults. The training is being offered free by the Diocesan Safeguarding Office at St Teresa Church, Morden SM4 6BZ on Sat 12th Mar, 10.30am-4pm. For details: [office@sgo-rcd.southwark.org](mailto:office@sgo-rcd.southwark.org) or 020 7261 1606.

## Parish News

### AT HOME

The next 'At Home' will be on Monday 15th February from 7.30 - 9.30pm.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent the celebration of the Stations of the Cross will start at 7.15pm every Friday after the 6.30pm Mass.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

There are no school slips this weekend. School slips will be collected again on the weekend of 27th/28th February.

### EDGEWAYS

Edgeways, the parish magazine, is out today

featuring pictures from the ordination to the diaconate of six Jesuits, a behind-the-scenes look at the Sacred Heart Choir as it prepared for the last year's Midnight Mass and a profile of one of the hidden gems of our church, the Lady Chapel. Edgeways is free, but donations are welcome.

## Announcements

### THE LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

The seminar is a series of talks and discussions which take place on Wednesdays during Lent. The third seminar is on Wed 17th Feb, 7.30-9pm in the Upper Hall (further dates 24th Feb, 2nd, 9th & 16th March).

### PPC - NOMINATIONS

We are grateful to the 5 nominees who have put their names forward: Cat Porter, Chris Townsend, Frederick Sylver-Francis, David Toms-Sheridan and Maggie Rarieya. As part of a process of reviewing its role, membership and working, the PPC has decided not to proceed with elections at this stage

for the three current vacancies. Instead all nominees have been invited to attend the next two PPC meetings as observers, albeit with an invitation to participate actively, in order to contribute to this discussion and other PPC business and also help them to decide whether membership meets their expectations and is practicable for them alongside their other commitments.

### SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

On Sunday 28th February a signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated at 4pm in the Chapel of Wimbledon College. All with hearing difficulties are welcome!

### OPEN 24 HOURS

This lent in response to the invitation of Pope Francis to celebrate and experience God's Mercy you are invited to St George's Cathedral to attentively listen to the Word of God at the '24hrs For the Lord' taking place on 4th (from 12.30pm) - 5th March (ends with Mass at 12.30pm) you can join for as much or as little as you would like! For more information please visit [www.stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/holyyear.html](http://www.stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/holyyear.html)

A Mass Intention for Katherine Haverty was said on 7th February by Canon John Clark.

## Parish Organisations

### MEMORY LANE CLUB

Open every Wednesday morning from 10.30am onwards to 12.30pm in the Parish Lounge. Those with dementia and their carers are most welcome to drop in for refreshments, chat, bingo, snooker, music and various other games and activities, all in an informal atmosphere of cheerfulness, fun and affect-

tion (email: [edgehillmemorylaneclub@gmail.com](mailto:edgehillmemorylaneclub@gmail.com)).

### WIMBLEDON CANCER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Anyone affected by any cancer is welcome to drop in for tea and a chat in the lounge of the Wimbledon Guild, 30 Worple Rd, SW19 4EF on Thursday 25th February at 3.15-4.30pm.

Please ring 07948 767936 or email [wcfg@live.co.uk](mailto:wcfg@live.co.uk) for more information.

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Show & Tell: Friday 4th March. Advance notice. Have you got an interesting object to share with your friends at the next Friendship Group Meeting? More details nearer the time.

## Social, Cultural

### LENTEN ORGAN RECITALS

This Thursday, 18th February at 7.30pm David Gammie will give the first of two Lenten organ recitals in the church: 'Job' by Petr Eben (with Dr William Griffiths, narrator), the next will be on 10th March at 7.30pm: 'Le Chemin de la Croix' (The Stations of the Cross) by Marcel Dupré. Admission free.

### SACRED HEART CHORUS

Verdi Requiem rehearsals (for the actual concert on

Sat 21st May) start on Mon 22nd Feb, 7.30 - 9.30pm. For details contact Sheena MacDonald on 07879 653580, or [verdi@sacredheartmusic.co.uk](mailto:verdi@sacredheartmusic.co.uk) or visit [sacredheartmusic.co.uk](http://sacredheartmusic.co.uk).

### GREAT GATSBY BALL

The Ursuline Preparatory School Parents Association are hosting a Great Gatsby Ball on Sat 27th Feb in the Upper Hall, 7-11pm. For details & tickets please call the Ursuline Preparatory School 0208 947 0859.

### MENDELSSOHN'S ELIJAH

Following the spectacular performance of Verdi's Requiem in 2014 the Lewisham Choral Society will return to Fairfield Halls (Croydon CR9 1DG) on Saturday 19th March, 7.30pm with The Derbyshire Singers and The Forest Philharmonic Orchestra to perform Mendelssohn's Elijah. For full details and to reserve tickets (from £15-30) visit [www.lewishamchoral.society.org.uk](http://www.lewishamchoral.society.org.uk)

## Exploring our Faith

### SACRED HEART PARISH PILGRIMAGE

As part of the parish programme for the Year of Mercy, a pilgrimage led by Canon John to the Holy Land is planned. Tue 1st - Tue 8th November 2016. 4 nights Jerusalem, 1 night Bethlehem, 2 nights Galilee. BA flights from London Heathrow. £1,144 per person based on 2 people sharing & group size of 30. Price includes services of English speaking guide, half board, entrance fees & tips. Limited single room availability, £300 supplement. For further information and booking form please email [pilgrimage@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:pilgrimage@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk) or call Gill Didino at Tangney Tours on 01732 88 66 66.

### A DAY WITH MARY

Do come for a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Sat 20th Feb from 9.30am - 5pm at St Joseph Church, Montem Rd, New Malden, KT3 3QW;

confessions and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during the day, celebrant & preacher Fr Peter Edwards, sermons by Fr David Gummett and Fr Peter Gallagher SJ, for detailed information, please visit [www adaywithmary.org](http://www adaywithmary.org)

### WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

On Friday 4th March, the Women's World day of Prayer, ecumenical services will be celebrated at Merton Park Baptist Church, Bushey Road (10.30am), Holy Trinity Wimbledon Broadway (8am). All Welcome. For further info email [alisonwilliams36@btinternet.com](mailto:alisonwilliams36@btinternet.com) or 02089440574

### CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Don't forget that there is an Introduction to Christian Meditation on Saturday 20th February at 11.00am in the Lounge when Geoff Waterhouse from the WCCM (World Community for Christian Meditation) will

give some background on this movement. The Parish group meets regularly at 41 Murray Road, SW19 4PD, on Wednesdays. We gather from 2.15pm and start at 2.30pm.

### LENT REFLECTION

Over the weeks of Lent the Archdiocese of Southwark's Stewardship Team, in collaboration with the diocesan Spirituality Commission, will send daily reflections featuring thoughts, Scripture and prayer. If you would like to receive these please enter your details on the following link: <http://eepurl.com/bF0b6P>

### PARENTING WITH FAITH

You are invited to a series of talks for parents and sponsors on *Parenting With Faith* starting on Wednesday 2nd March, 7-9pm, Upper Hall, with Jenny Baker speaking about 'Parenting Through The Sacraments'.

### New to the Parish?

Please introduce yourself to a member of the Parish Team after Mass and complete a parish registration form available at the back of the church.

### TEAMS OF OUR LADY

Marriage Day is celebrated this year on Sunday 14th February, perhaps a good time to reflect on your married relationship and ways in which it could be made even better. Teams of Our Lady (also known as Equipes Notre Dame) is designed to support married people particularly in their "spiritual lives". The organisation, a worldwide movement was founded in the 1940s by Father Henri Caffarel, priest at Notre Dame Church, Paris, hence the "Our Lady" in the title. There are, at the moment, 11 "Teams" in the London SW area. A Team, which normally consists of 4 or 5 married couples and a chaplain, meets monthly. Over a simple meal they reflect on the ups and downs of life over the month with an opportunity to pray together, to have discussions on chosen spiritual topics. The organisation is for married couples. Whilst many couples in Teams are both Catholic, that is not always the case and it is open to other denominations. For further information please contact David and Breeda Walsh, contact couple for SW -London on 07747310257 or [david34edr@virginmedia.com](mailto:david34edr@virginmedia.com) or visit [www.teamsgb.org.uk/about-teams.html](http://www.teamsgb.org.uk/about-teams.html)

### CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr P Gallagher SJ      11.15am Fr M O'Halloran SJ  
 8.15am Canon J Clark                  12.45pm Fr T Nwokeji  
 8.30am Fr T Nwokeji                    5.00pm Canon J Clark  
 9.45am Fr T Nwokeji                    8.00pm Fr P Gallagher SJ

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 13 6.30pm Stanley Lewis RIP  
 Sun 14 12.45pm Alison Fitzgerald Ints.  
 Mon 15 7.30am Lang Neil RIP  
           10.00am Abberton family RIP  
           6.30pm Jeffrey Pierre Fields RIP  
 Tue 16 7.30am Dilip Motha RIP  
           10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP  
           6.30pm Edna Fernandez  
 Wed 17 7.30am Jeronica Gleeson RIP  
           10.00am Caroline Basti Birthday  
           6.30pm Geneviève Fustier RIP  
 Thu 18 7.30am Emrys Jones RIP  
           10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP  
           6.30pm Emmanuel Fitzpatrick RIP  
 Fri 19 7.30am Charlie Patton RIP  
           10.00am Nora Wood Funeral  
           6.30pm Agnes Almeida  
 Sat 20 7.30am Loh Kum Fatt & Soong Yit Ching RIP  
           10.00am Betty Heard RIP

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** Nora Wood, Allan Spiller, Veronica Gleeson, Angela Roots, Ana Rosa Carneiro  
**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Marie Chinnon, Anne Lofthouse, Donald Stables, Margaret Thompson, Robert Andrews, Frank Mondelli, Pamela Grostate  
**The sick:** Breda Whelan, Lorraine Grozdanovic, Alexander Skachkov, Roberto Luigi Farina, Alina Hancock, Sophia Ridley, Avril Brown, Jane Leahy, Cindy Bayat, Bernadette McMurray, Anne Medicraft, Pat Pike, Carol Escalona, David Fyfe, Mary Wallace, Dan O'Brien, Joy Thimont, Con Harrington, Rita Westbrook, Angela de Leon, Teresa Scanlon, Olinda D'Souza, Sheila Chateau, Alan Paul, Michael Hoskins, Electa Almeida, Sr Tien Nguyen, Caleb Edser, Eduard Kirchner, Julian Eddy, Troy Najair, Margaret Lumley and Andrew Tan [*Please advise the Reception when names can be removed.*]



### COLLECTIONS

Collections at Mass last Sunday came to £1,477.53 in loose plate giving and £238.70 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £1,716.23. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.  
 The second collection for 'Poor Parishes' raised £533.60. Thank you for your generous support!

### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

**Sunday 14th February** Ss Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop; Doctors of the Church  
 St Valentine, Priest and Martyr  
**Monday 15th February** St Claude de la Columbière, Priest

### EXPOSITION

Sundays: 3.30 - 4.30pm  
 (Prayers for the Pope and the Catholic Church in Britain)  
 Wednesdays: after the 7.30am and 10.00am Masses and 5.25 - 6.25pm  
 Fridays: 5.25 - 6.25pm  
 On First Fridays there is exposition from after the 6.30pm Mass to Midnight.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays:  
 10.30 - 11.30am  
 3.00 - 4.00pm  
 6.00 - 6.20pm  
 Monday - Friday:  
 6.00 - 6.20pm

### MUSIC AT THE 11.15am MASS

Mass XVII, Plainchant  
*Peccantem me quotidie*, Cristóbal de Morales  
*Ego sum panis vivus*, Palestrina

### PARISH SERVICES

Parish Office/Reception Hours: 9am - 5pm (Mon-Fri) 9.30am - 1pm (Sat) 9am - 1pm (Sun)  
 Executive Assistant & Hall bookings: Thelma D'Costa (Mon - Fri 9.30am - 5pm) Site Manager: Arthur White (Mon - Fri 12noon - 6pm; Sat 9am-1pm)  
 Parish Pastoral Council: sacredheartwimbledonppc@gmail.com  
 Baptism, Marriage, First Sacraments, Funerals contact the parish 020 8946 0305  
 Bereavement Support: For more information please contact the co-ordinator by email bereavementsacredheart@gmail.com or call 020 8946 5198, Referral forms available in the Presbytery Reception