



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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## Newsletter

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### Easter Sunday (C)

#### Weekday Readings for Easter Week

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### Next Sunday's Readings

#### Divine Mercy Sunday

- Acts 5:12-16
- Psalm 117:2-4,22-27. R.v1
- Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19
- John 20:19-31

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## He is Risen: Alleluia

Fr. Ted, Canon Elias and Canon John together with the parish pastoral team wish you all a very happy and holy Easter. We are the Easter people and Alleluia is our song!



The celebrations of the last week have involved so many people that it is difficult to list everyone. I would like to thank all our servers and readers on whom a lot of the responsibility for the presentations of the services depends. Thanks too to the readers of the passion, the 12 'apostles' who volunteered to have

their feet washed, and the ushers who helped to keep the movement of the congregation around the church flowing easily. We are grateful to the church cleaners and to our church decorators who have made the church look so beautiful this Easter. I also need to

thank all those in the back office who have been responsible for getting all the leaflets and booklets ready for Holy Week. The success of Holy Week depends on so many people cooperating together to help all of us take part in the unique ceremonies that take us through the last days of Christ, his passion, suffering death and resurrection. Thank you to all.

Next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday and there will be a period of devotions on Sunday afternoon starting with Mass at 2pm. This feast was inaugurated by Saint Pope John Paul II and is most appropriate in this year of Mercy.

A Blessed Easter to you all.

Canon John

### PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY

Lord Jesus, 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

Also Resident: Canon Elias Vojtech

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

## YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!

Some essential ministries within our parish are struggling to continue because of a lack of volunteers. Currently there are about 50 vacancies in groups as diverse as Children's Liturgy, Preparation for First Holy Communion and Readers. On Sunday 3rd April a list of vacancies will be published prior to a major recruitment drive on Sunday 10th April. Please do think about whether you can give some time in future months to support your parish.

### EASTER MONDAY

There will be only one Mass on Easter Monday, 28th March and it will be at 10am. There will be no evening confession and evening Mass. The church will remain open during the day for private devotion until 5pm.

### COLLECTION

The collections on this Easter Day are your personal offering to the priests of the parish. It is a significant part of their personal income for the year.

### PARISH PARKING

Please take care when parking in Darlaston Road. Park only in authorised parking places and do not block drive ways of the residents. We must be thoughtful and not prove an inconvenience to our neighbours.

### 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 affection (email: [edgehillmemorylane-club@gmail.com](mailto:edgehillmemorylane-club@gmail.com)).

## Parish News

### AT HOME

Please note that the next 'At Home' will be on Monday 4th April from 7.30-9.30pm.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again on the weekend of 16/17th April.

### FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

On Sunday 3rd April, the Feast of Divine Mercy, a Mass will be celebrated at 2pm in our church, followed by Eucharistic Adoration, 3 o'clock prayer, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Sacrament of

Reconciliation, Blessing of Image, Benediction, Veneration of Blessed Image and Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary. The Divine Mercy Novena started on Good Friday.

## Announcements

### MORNING PRAYER

Following Solemn Vespers on the eve of three major feasts last year, parishioners have suggested that we might further extend interest in the Prayer of the Church by the congregational saying of Morning Prayer (Laudes) before the 10am Mass. The Liturgy Group has agreed to run a trial on four consecutive Wednesdays beginning on 30th March at 9.40am.

### ALPHA

We would like to invite all Years 8-11 to come to *Alpha*. *Alpha* is a series of interactive sessions that explore faith and life. *Alpha* will be running at Sacred Heart every Tuesday night from 19th April for 8 weeks (except half term). Join us for

dinner, a short video, discussions and fun! If you would like to come and try it out, please register by email [edgesw19@gmail.com](mailto:edgesw19@gmail.com) with name, date of birth and contact details, as well as any allergies. Places are limited, so register asap. We are also looking for helpers on the day, especially with cooking & baking or you can support us with prayers. If you think you can help, even if for one week only, please email [edgesw19@gmail.com](mailto:edgesw19@gmail.com) with your contact information.

### SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

Today, Sunday, 27th March, a signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated at 4pm in the Chapel of Wimbledon

College. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

### FIRST FRIDAY VIGIL OF PRAYER

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and for World Peace will be on Friday 1st April starting after the 6.30pm Mass continuing to midnight. Silent prayer to 8.30pm followed by meditations and prayers. Please come if only for a short visit.

### OFFICE & RECEPTION OPENING HOURS

The Parish Office and Reception is closed over Easter & Easter week and will open again on Monday 4th April. Newsletter distribution will resume on the weekend of 9/10th April.

## Parish Organisations

### WIMBLEDON CANCER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Anyone affected by any cancer is welcome to come to an evening meeting in the lounge of the Wimbledon Guild, when Paul Grayston, pharmacist, will talk about chemo preparation and treatment on Thursday 14th

April from 7.30-9pm; 30/32 Worple Rd, SW19 4EF. Please ring 07948 767936 or email [wcfg@live.co.uk](mailto:wcfg@live.co.uk) for more information.

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday, 1st April, 2.30pm Parish Lounge. Accompany Chris Woodward on his

Pilgrimage from Le Puy to Santiago de Compostela, including Parisian TV coverage. Nibbles & sherry, tea & cakes served. All welcome. (Save the date, Tuesday 10th May: outing to Grayshott Pottery, near Hindhead, Surrey, details to follow nearer the time).

## Social, Cultural & Notices

### SACRED HEART PARISH CHORUS

Tickets are now available for the Verdi Requiem on Saturday 21st May at 8pm, priced at £15, £10 (concessions) & £5 (full time students). Early birds booking before 31st March 10% discount; for more info and tickets please see [www.sacredheartmusic.co.uk/concerts](http://www.sacredheartmusic.co.uk/concerts) or email [verdi@sacredheartmusic.co.uk](mailto:verdi@sacredheartmusic.co.uk) or see flyer at the back of the church.

### BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

There is a healing weekend

for women and men who find themselves single again following divorce, separation or the death of a partner, from 15th-17th April at the Emmaus Centre, West Wickham, Kent. For details please contact Sandra 01293 783965 or John 01992 642443, email [johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk)

### SW CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

This social group for young Catholics in the diocese meets every month. The next drinks evening is on Saturday 2nd April from 7.30pm at the

Alexandra, Wimbledon SW19 7NE. For further details contact Miles on 07790 441242.

### WEST BARNES SINGERS

With Wimbledon Youth Choir will perform Mendelssohn's Elijah (conductor Max Barley) on Saturday 7th May at 7.30pm; St Paul's Church, Wimbledon Park SW19 6EW; tickets (£12) are available on the door or from members, children free; for detailed information please visit [www.westbarnessingers.co.uk](http://www.westbarnessingers.co.uk)

## Exploring our Faith

### PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND

Two thirds of the available places have now been booked. Any parishioner wishing to join the pilgrimage is advised to book soon. After Easter, if any places are still available, they will be offered to neighbouring parishes. Tue 1st - Tue 8th November 2016; 4 nights Jerusalem, 1 night Bethlehem, 2 nights Galilee. £1,144 pp based on 2 people sharing. Limited single room availability. For further info & 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.

### DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE

In preparation for the Feast of Divine Mercy, a Pilgrimage to Aylesford Priory (Kent, ME20 7BX) will be held on Sat 2nd April, led by Rt Rev Paul Hendricks and Marian Fathers; starting at 10am

until after the Veneration of the Image of the Merciful Jesus at 4pm. All welcome, bring your family & friends; for more info call 020 8998 0925 or email [info@divinemercy.org.uk](mailto:info@divinemercy.org.uk)

### EVANGELISATION MEETING

On Saturday 2nd April an Evangelisation Meeting will be held in the Lounge from 10.30am-12.30pm. Everyone welcome. For details, call Sadie Smith 020 8946 5198 or [sadiesmith3@talktalk.net](mailto:sadiesmith3@talktalk.net)

### A DAY WITH MARY

Do come for a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Saturday 16th April from 10am-5.30pm at St Joseph's, Roehampton Lane SW15 4LE; procession, Mass, confession, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, silent adoration with celebrant & preacher Fr David Gummert, sermon on Our Lady by Fr Peter Gallagher SJ. For details visit [www adaywithmary.org](http://www adaywithmary.org)

### LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT RETREAT

This year's 7 day retreat at Castle de Vide Retreat House, Portugal, which includes a visit to Fatima and other excursions, will take place from **9th - 15th June**; the cost of £595 includes return flights from Heathrow, coach transfers, full board & excursions. For more information and booking contact David or Eileen on 020 8542 2476 or [body\\_mind\\_spirit\\_meditation@hotmail.com](mailto:body_mind_spirit_meditation@hotmail.com)

### MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGE

10th - 17th May, spiritual leader Fr. Stefan; 7 Nights half board in 4 Star apartments and airport transfers: £236.00; book early for low cost flights from London Stansted to Split. Contact Jackie on 020 3239 8662 or email [jackie@med-irishcentre.com](mailto:jackie@med-irishcentre.com)

### 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.*

### HUNGER BANQUETS

Continuing our theme of supporting refugees in the current crisis, we will be holding two Hunger Banquets on Thursday 26th May, one at lunchtime (12.30-2pm) and one in the evening (7.30-9pm), Upper Hall, in aid of CAFOD's refugee work; with speaker Nalini Nathan (CAFOD) & Wendy Tansey (narrator). All guests pay the same price (£12) for lunch or dinner, but draw lots to see if they eat like the rich, those on middle incomes, or like the poor; tickets will be available after Easter from the Parish Office. Full details are on flyers at the back of the church. Please support these events!

### SAINTS OF MERCY

Post Easter talks on the Saints of Mercy (St Damien of Molokai, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, St Maria Faustina Kowalska, Pope St John Paul II, St Josephine Bakhita, and Ss Padre Pio & Leopold Mandić) will take place at St George's Cathedral (Amigo Hall), SE1 6HR, on the Thursday evenings from 7th April - 12th May at 7.30pm. All are welcome, entry is free, donations welcomed, refreshments provided; for more info & to register contact 020 8672 2684 ([www.ccfootingbec.org.uk](http://www.ccfootingbec.org.uk)).

### CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR HIS WEEK

Mon 28 10.00am Joe D'Costa RIP  
Tue 29 7.30am Mr & Mrs Bastiapillai RIP  
10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP  
6.30pm Dced members of Conlon & Forster Families  
Wed 30 7.30am Newton Fernandes RIP  
10.00am Pamela Grostate RIP  
6.30pm Lucia Adami RIP  
Thu 31 7.30am Helen O'Keeffe RIP  
10.00am Funeral of Maureen Denney  
6.30pm Stan Cussen RIP  
Fri 1 7.30am Mary & James Gartland 50 Yrs wedding anniv  
10.00am Angus Coney RIP  
6.30pm Dced relatives of Hardy family RIP  
Sat 2 7.30pm Jose Manuel Travasso RIP  
10.00am May McCrisken RIP

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** Jesusita Dizon, George McPartlin, Maureen Denney  
**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Charles Heather, Margaret Carnegie, Pauline Woods, Phyllis Smith, Joan Everson, Bernard Elliot SJ, Colin Alfred Higbee  
**The sick:** Patricia Meehan, Breda Whelan, Lorraine Grozdanovic, Alexander Skachkov, Roberto Luigi Farina, Sophia Ridley, Avril Brown, Jane Leahy, Cindy Bayat, Bernadette McMurray, Anne Medicraft, Pat Pike, Carol Escalona, David Fyfe, Mary Wallace, Con Harrington, Rita Westbrook, Angela de Leon, Alina Hancock, 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 £1,787 in loose plate giving and £537 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,324. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.  
If you change your address or if your tax status changes could you please notify the Parish Office.

### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

**Monday 4th April** The Annunciation of the Lord (transferred from Good Friday/Holy Week)  
**Tuesday 5th April** St Vincent Ferrer, Priest  
**Thursday 7th April** St John Baptist de la Salle, 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

327 - *Christus vincit*  
Missa brevis in C, Krönungsmesse, W.A.Mozart  
260 - *Vitima Paschali laudes*  
*Vidi Aquam*, plainchant  
*Haec Dies*, Giovanni P. da Palestrina  
*Agnus Dei*, W.A.Mozart  
267 - *Jesus Christ is ris'n today*  
*Prelude and Toccata on Victimae Paschali Laudes*, Denis Bédard

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:bereavementsacredheart@gmail.com) or call 020 8946 5198, Referral forms available in the Presbytery Reception