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Newsletter

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4th Sunday of Easter (C)

Weekday Readings for
4th week of Easter

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Next Sunday's Readings

5th Sunday of Easter

- Acts 14:21-27
- Psalm 144:8-13
- Apocalypse 21:1-5
- John 13:31-35

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Vocations Sunday

Last week we asked the parish for volunteers to help in the running of many different aspects of the life of the parish. I am really grateful to all who did come forward and offer their time to help the parish. If you put your name forward you should be hearing from someone in the next couple of weeks to welcome you and help you settle into your new role. This Sunday the Church encourages us to see our calling in the parish in terms of vocation. Each one of us by our baptism are called to be a child of God, each one confirmed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, have unique gifts that enable us to build up the body of Christ. We all share in the priesthood of Christ whether through the priesthood of the laity or through the sa-



cramental priesthood. Today the focus of our prayer is for vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. The theme for today is "Change a life". For those who are still looking for a direction in

life and most especially in their spiritual life, God's call can change your life. Through genuine discernment you may feel the call of the Spirit to offer yourself for the sacramental priesthood or consecrated life. Through the ministry of the Church we in turn can find our lives changed by the ministry of others. Guided by them we may deepen our spiritual lives, growing ever closer to Jesus Christ. We pray for an increase in vocations.

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

SECOND COLLECTION

Today, 17th April, World Day of Prayer for Vocations, the second collection will be for 'Ecclesiastical Education'. This collection helps to meet the costs of training students for the permanent diaconate and students for the priesthood. It also supports certain forms of ongoing formation of the clergy.

Next Sunday, the second collection will be for the maintenance of St George's Cathedral, the mother church of our Diocese.

JOIN CAFOD'S TEAM OF YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

CAFOD is looking for volunteers who are confident and experienced at talking with and engaging young people. We need volunteers who would like to take the CAFOD message into confirmation groups in parishes (evenings and/or weekends). You will help to inspire young people to put their faith into action by your delivery of interactive workshops, full training given. For more info please call 020 8449 6970, or email Nalini Nathan (nnathan@cafod.org.uk). Volunteers will be accepted on successful completion of interview and a DBS check.

THE PASSAGE

There will be a ceilidh to raise funds for *The Passage* (*The Passage - to ending homelessness*) on Saturday 23rd April from 7.30 - 11.00pm at the Holy Apostles Church Hall, Cumberland Street, Pimlico. Tickets £20 including a curry supper. Tickets from <http://buytickets.at/fundgroup16/49506>, email John.Stewart@faststream.civilservice.gov.uk for more details or phone 020 7592 1856.

Parish News

AT HOME

Please note that there will be no 'At Home' on Monday 18th April.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again this weekend.

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 starting this Tuesday 19th April for 8 weeks (except half term). Join us for dinner, a short video, discussions and fun! Please register by email 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 with your contact information.

Announcements

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today, 17th April is World Day of Prayer for vocations. Please join in asking the Lord to give those called to priesthood and religious life the courage to respond to His call.

CATHEDRAL MASS IN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

You are invited to a Mass in celebration of marriage with chief celebrant Archbishop Peter Smith on Saturday 18th June at 3pm at St George's Cathedral. If you are celebrating your 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th+ wedding anniversary this year and would like to attend this very special Mass, where you

can renew your vows, write your names and address on the form at the back of the church, so that you can receive an invitation from Archbishop Peter Smith.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE TEAM

An invitation to MOT and celebrate your marriage. A day in which married couples can explore more deeply and gain valuable insight into their communication and the call of the Church to be married on Saturday 30th April, Holy Cross School, New Malden KT3 5AR from 9.45am-4.30pm; booking essential (020 8651 2477 or email philandmary@blueyonder.co.uk)

SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

Next Sunday, 24th April, a signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated at 4pm in the Chapel of Wimbledon College. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

MORNING PRAYER

A Morning Prayer (Laudes) will be held on Wednesday 20th April at 9.40am before the 10am Mass.

BOOKS

A range of religious books are available at the Presbytery Reception, feel free to come and browse and choose your books, donations very welcomed!

Parish Organisations

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 on Thursday 28th April from 3.15-4.30pm; 30/32 Worple Road, SW19 4EF. Please ring 07948 767936 or

email wcfg@live.co.uk for more information.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Outing to Grayshott Pottery, Tuesday 10th May, 10.30am after Mass. Free transport & pottery tour. Hot/cold lunch at Café. Limited places.

Please call Gaye 020 8946 2174 to book.

Royal Birthday Celebration: Lunch with bubbly. Friday 10th June, 12noon - 3pm. Upper Hall. Tickets £13. Please call Judy on 020 8947 1658.

Social, Cultural & Notices

SHAKESPEARE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Come to a Shakespeare Anniversary Celebration on Saturday 23rd April at 8pm in the church: an inspirational concert of improvisations by international concert organist Nigel Allcoat, inspired by scenes from Shakespeare, readings by Wendy Tansey. Admissions £10 at the door, children & students free.

SACRED HEART PARISH CHORUS

Tickets for the Verdi Requiem on Saturday 21st May at 8pm (£15, £10/concessions & £5/students) will be on sale after Masses from the 24th April and are available on verdi@sacredheartmusic.co.uk If anyone is willing to help with this concert (eg sponsor a musician, help before/during the concert..) please contact Sheena Macdonald on 07879 653 580.

LONDON MARATHON FOR JESUIT MISSIONS

Wombles take part for the 19th year in the London Marathon, Sunday 24th April: It is that time of year again, when 25 volunteers take to the London streets and run the London Marathon raising funds for Jesuits Missions. From our parish Paul Chitnis, Director of Jesuit Missions, has been in serious training and says he will be "leading from the back"! To read our runners' first hand stories, please visit our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1723598297875138/?ref=ts&fref=ts>

This year, the focus is a healthcare project in Syria and we ask you to please give generously online at www.jesuitmissions.org.uk/take-action/londonmarathon Thank you! And, if you watch carefully, you may spot a

Womble (or two) after Mass today!

CHARITY SPRING CONCERT

Saturday 30th April at 7.45pm in the Sacred Heart Church. Organised by Donhead & Jesuit Missions in aid of our Zimbabwean Jesuit Companion School, in St Peter's, Mbare, one of the most deprived areas of Harare. Music is by Rachel & John Marshall, Giles Kennedy and Peter Morgan and five of Donhead's talented young musicians. Tickets are available on-line by visiting <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/SpringConcert2016> and after Masses on 23rd/24th April. We suggest a donation of £15 for a single ticket or £25 for a double, but please give whatever you can afford. Under 18s are free. Wine and canapés will be served afterwards in Donhead School.

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 from CAFOD. 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 are now available from the Parish Office. Full details are on flyers at the back of the church. Please support these events!

Exploring our Faith

SAINTS OF MERCY

Post Easter talks on the *Saints of Mercy* continue on 21st April at 7.30pm (on St Maria Faustina Kowalska) at St George's Cathedral (Amigo Hall), SE1 6HR, entry is free, donations welcomed, refreshments provided; for more info & to register contact 020 8672 2684 (www.ccftootingbec.org.uk).

EVENINGS OF FAITH

All are welcome to a series of talks organised by the Faith Movement on 'The Sacraments: Sunshine for the Soul'. The next talk is on Tuesday 19th April at 7.30pm. For full details

visit www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith. (The venue is St Mary of the Angels, Moorhouse Road, London, W2 5DJ **except** for talks on 19th April and 17th May which are at The Oratory, Brompton Rd, London, SW7 2RP).

PARENTING WITH FAITH

You are invited to the second talk of a series of talks for parents and sponsors on 'Welcomed, Loved and Forgiven' led by David Wells on Wednesday 4th May from 7-9pm in St Teresa's Church, Morden SM4 6BZ. This talk will focus on parenting

teenagers in the era of Pope Francis; exploring what parenting teenagers look like, what roles does mercy play in parenting and how we can help our children grow.

A DAY WITH MARY

Do come for a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Saturday 7th May from 9.45am-4.30pm at Westminster Cathedral, SW1P 1QW; procession, Mass, confession, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, silent adoration with celebrant Canon Christopher Tuckwell. For details visit www adaywithmary.org

SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

The SH Primary School is looking to appoint a Headteacher for September 2016, an energetic individual, committed Catholic, working either in Catholic or other schools, with the passion and commitment to provide high quality teaching & learning and the personal qualities and skills to empower and develop the staff and leadership team further. Application packs available from Sarah Marceline (school office: 020 8942 0215). Please email your completed application to the Clerk of Governors faye.mcgillian@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk Closing date 18th April.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 16 6.30pm Alba Franchi RIP
Mon 18 7.30am Mrs Griffiths RIP
10.00am Vincent Considine RIP
6.30pm Tom Limna RIP
Tue 19 7.30am Edith Cox RIP
10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP
6.30pm Agnieszka Ptaszynska RIP
Wed 20 7.30am Joia and Alan Ints of marriage
10.00am Ken Hicks RIP
6.30pm Monica Tansey 80th Birthday
Thu 21 7.30am Ricardo Palombo RIP
10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP
6.30pm Peter Cheuk RIP
Fri 22 7.30am Rita Moriarty RIP
10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP
6.30pm Fr Pezzola RIP
Sat 23 7.30am Annie Bridget Mary Donohoe Ints.
10.00am Liam Myles RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Michael Coyne, Mary Joan James, Alex Beltrao
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Jean Thomson, Agnieszka Ptaszynska, Maura Dennis, Mary Louise Humphries, Joseph Gilhooly
The sick: Ronnie Bradnick, Denis Geoghegan, Baby Bleu Denley Saunders, Frank Micetich, 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 £1,476 in loose plate giving and £622 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,098. 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

Tuesday 19th April St Alphege, Bishop and Martyr
Thursday 21st April St Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday 23rd April St George, Martyr, Patron of England

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

Missa in honorem Sancti Josephi, Flor Peeters
Surrexit pastor bonus, Lassus
The God of love my Sheperd is,
Thomas Tallis Third Mode Melody

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: sacredheartwimbletonppc@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