



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Tel: 020 8946 0305  
Email: [wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk)  
Web: [www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](http://www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk)

Sacred Heart Presbytery  
Edge Hill, Wimbledon  
London, SW19 4LU

15th May 2016

## Newsletter

Vol 2, Issue 18

### Pentecost Sunday (C)

The end of the Season of  
Easter, Paschaltide

Weekday Readings for  
7th week in Ordinary Time

Vol III. psalter week 3

### Next Sunday's Readings

#### The Most Holy Trinity

- Proverbs 8:22-31
- Psalm 8:4-9.R.v2
- Romans 5:1-5
- John 16:12-15

### Inside this issue:

The Holy Spirit	1
Parish News	2
Announcements	2
Parish Organisations	2
Social, Cultural & Notices	3
Exploring our Faith	3
Mass times & Intentions	4

## The Holy Spirit: The true source of real inspiration

There are many sources and types of inspiration. People get inspired listening to music, actively relaxing, praying and/or reading the Holy Bible or inspired works. Essentially, the source informs the quality of the inspiration. Some inspirations can be surreal, inebriating, energising, fantastic and sometimes confusing as the experience of the *Tower of Babel* illustrates. (cf. Gen. 11). We are encouraged to test every spirit. '*Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God*' (cf. 1Jn. 4:1)

However, there is one true source of real inspiration. It is the One that teaches you everything and reminds you of all. This is the Holy Spirit. In the words of our Blessed Lord, '*...the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you*' (Jn 14:26). Often, the product of such inspirations stands the test of time. It changes lives, situations and circumstances, making them better. It is the Spirit of courage, truth, peace, unity, love. Contrary to the experience of Babel, this Spirit ensures true understanding '*...and everybody is able to understand in their own native language*'. (cf. Acts 2:8)

This Spirit is available to all who ask. God gives freely and willingly of his Spirit to those who ask. Jesus himself says, '*...how much more will your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him*'. (Lk11:13) This is the Spirit that gives life. This same Spirit is alive and active. God's Spirit is in us, lives among us, works within us. The Spirit of God is the true source of real inspiration. The Holy Spirit whispers words of wisdom that can clear our confusions. The Holy Spirit can encourage us to love again when we have been disappointed. The Holy Spirit will help us to trust again inspite of betrayals. The Spirit helps us to learn how to insist on living peacefully with ourselves and in our families. The Holy Spirit can help us to transform our lives and our world. It became possible for the apostles from the day of Pentecost. This day can be our own Pentecost! May the Holy Spirit truly inspire us to really live out our Christianity to the full. In this way, we are able to '*bear united witness as children of God, heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory*'. (cf. Rms. 8:16,17).

### 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

Next Sunday, 22nd May, the second collection will be in support of *The Little Sisters of the Poor*.

## CAR PARKING

Increasing difficulty has been experienced on morning weekdays with people using the church car park for long stays without a legitimate reason. The Pastoral Council wishes to advise all parishioners that the church car park is available ONLY for persons visiting the church or for other parish activities. To prevent unauthorised parking at the beginning of the day, parking monitoring is to be introduced with details of offenders passed to the parking enforcement company which already displays warning signs. The schools and parents of pupils are being reminded of the concessionary arrangements for dropping off and picking up children at the beginning and end of the school day and have been asked not to abuse the current arrangements.

## CAKE SALE

The Holy Cross School's Sixth form students are holding a cake sale outside the church this Sunday 15th May after the 9.45am & 12.45pm Mass to raise funds for a Thailand trip they are taking part in later in 2016.

## AMORIS LAETITIA

Copies of Pope Francis' *Exhortation on Love in the Family - Amoris Laetitia* are now available in the Presbytery Reception (£5).

## LOST PROPERTY

Please note that the lost property box in the Presbytery Reception will be emptied and lost property items things will be donated to a local charity by the end of the month.

## Parish News

### AT HOME

There will be an 'At Home' on Monday 16th May from 6-8pm.

### HOLY ROSARY

May devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary take place at 6pm in the Lady's Chapel.

### YOUTH MINISTER

The parish is advertising for a new youth minister to assist the Parish Priest and our team of volunteer catechists in leading, developing and coordinating parish pastoral programmes from five years to early adulthood.

Application forms are available from the parish office. Closing date for completed applications is Monday 23rd May.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

## Announcements

### FOLLOW UP FOR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Young people who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2014 or 2015 are invited to take part in a short time of reflection and sharing this Sunday 15th May from 4.30-6.30pm (followed by Mass) at St John Fisher Parish Hall, Merton SW20 9BD. All welcome!

### URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL MASS

On Friday 20th May our 6.30pm Mass will be a celebration for the Year 13 students from Ursuline High School and their parents. Parishioners are of course welcome to join in this celebration but be mindful that the front rows will be

reserved for students. The Sixth form Choir will lead the singing. Due to preparations for this special occasion there will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Friday.

### SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

On Sunday 22nd May a signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated at 4pm in the Chapel of Wimbledon College. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

This Christian Aid Week from 15th - 21st May is a time for us to come together with our friends, family and community and change the lives of the most vulnerable global neighbours

- those who struggle to access the basic of life: food and shelter. Christian Aid has a vision of a world with no poverty - but we need your help to make that vision reality. To make a gift visit [www.caweek.org](http://www.caweek.org)

### NEWMAN CIRCLE

The next meeting will be on Thursday 26th May at 7.30pm in the Lounge when Mark Williamson will speak on 'William Wilberforce and the Abolition of Slavery'. Mark is the author of 'Achieving the Impossible', a biography of Wilberforce, who, incidentally, spent much of his childhood in Wimbledon in what is now Lauriston Road, so making this topic even more interesting. All are welcome.

## Parish Organisations

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

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

### 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 26th May at 3.15-4.30pm, 30/32 Worple Road, SW19 4EF. Please ring 07948 767936 or email [wcfg@live.co.uk](mailto:wcfg@live.co.uk) for more info.

### PARISH SOCIAL CLUB

Will be holding its AGM on Friday 27th May at 7.30pm in the Parish Lounge. All are welcome.

### MANNA SOCIETY

The Manna Centre at Melior Street supports the many homeless in that area with the opportunity to get food, clothing and medical care. Any donations of dried or canned food, toiletries, men's clothing etc. can be left in the green bins inside the Lower Hall.

## Social, Cultural & Notices

### VERDI REQUIEM

Please support the biggest music event your parish has ever produced by getting your tickets for next Saturday's concert, 21st May at 8pm, in advance after all Masses this weekend. Tickets are also available on the website ([www.sacredheart.co.uk](http://www.sacredheart.co.uk)) and at the door. We are doing this concert in support of the great work of St Raphael's Hospice. We need your help to sell as many tickets as possible to make a meaningful donation to this wonderful cause.

### HUNGER BANQUETS

Please note that the *Hunger Banquets* scheduled for Thursday 26th May had, unfortunately, to be cancelled due to low tickets sale. Thank you to those who donated money, we could

transfer £192 to CAFOD. Please contact the Parish Office if you are still holding a ticket. If you would like to make donations in support of CAFOD's refugee work, or want to find out how to get involved or how you can bring reflections on global justice and poverty into your worship activities please visit [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk)

—  
Urgent appeal for assistance to Calais refugees: although the extreme urgency has gone, since the relocation of many of the refugees from the 'Jungle', the need remains. The most urgent and dire problem is the failure of the authorities to keep track of unaccompanied minors, despite much media cover over their plight. The Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission would like to encourage

parishioners to be aware that support is still needed. If you would like to know how you can help, please contact JPIC Office at [office@southwark.jandp.co.uk](mailto:office@southwark.jandp.co.uk)

### CHILDREN'S CHARITY CONCERT

Children's Charity Concert Saturday 4th June 2016 at 4pm in the Upper Hall. Do you play a musical instrument or sing? Please come and share your talents with the parish and raise money for Operation SMILE which provides valuable surgery for children with cleft lip and palate. Tea and cakes will be served afterwards. If you'd like to take part, or for further details, please email Martine on [the.pereiras@virginmedia.com](mailto:the.pereiras@virginmedia.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.

### PACT

Can you help prisoners & their families? You are invited to come & see the opportunities for you to volunteer to help those in prison, prisoner's families, and ex-offenders. The Catholic prison charity *Pact* (Prison Advice & Care Trust) works in several prisons across London and relies heavily on volunteers to help those in need. Saturday 11th June, drop in any time between 9.30am-1pm, St George's Cathedral, Amigo Hall. For more information, contact Tom: [thomas.brindle@prisonadvice.org.uk](mailto:thomas.brindle@prisonadvice.org.uk) or call 020 3031 6869.

### URSULINE PREP SCHOOL

is seeking to appoint an Art Teacher (PT) and a Learning Support Assistant. For details & application forms, please visit [www.ursuline-prep.merton.sch.uk](http://www.ursuline-prep.merton.sch.uk) or call 020 8947 0859. Closing dates 16th May (Art Teacher) and 19th May (Learning Support Assistant).

### ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY SCHOOL

The St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School currently has vacancies for Midday Supervisors. The role is PT for 1.45hrs a day, please call 020 8648 0869 for further details. The school is holding their open morning for all prospective parents seeking an admission place for 2016/17 on Thursday 23rd June, 10am - 12 noon.

## Exploring our Faith

### A DAY WITH MARY

Do come for a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Sunday 22nd May from 11.40am-6pm at the Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham, National Shrine of England, NR22 6AL; Mass, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, silent adoration with celebrant and preacher Mgr John Armitage, sermon on Our Lady by Fr Jude Ifeorah. For details visit [www adaywithmary.org](http://www adaywithmary.org)

### PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

The 7th Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Walsingham organised by the Marian Fathers, Divine Mercy

Apostolate, will take place on Saturday 4th June starting at 11am. All are welcome, for more information please contact the Divine Mercy Apostolate on 020 8998 0925 or visit [www.divinemercyapostolate.co.uk](http://www.divinemercyapostolate.co.uk)

### LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT TEAM

Welcome you to a one day retreat of quiet reflection on Saturday 28th May from 11am-5pm at the Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, Warwick Street, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR. ([www.loveheals-bodymindandspirit.org](http://www.loveheals-bodymindandspirit.org))

### HOUSE OF PRAYER

Welcomes you to a day on 'History, Richness and Theology of Icons' let by Sr Esther Pollak on Saturday 28th May at House of Prayer, 35 Seymour Road, East Molesey KT8 0PB, cost £20, please bring a packed lunch. (020 8941 2313)

### WYD 2016 - KRAKOW

23rd July - 1st August: Southwark Catholic Youth Service have a few places left for World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland. If you are aged 18-30 and you're interested in joining the diocesan pilgrimage please call 01227 272900 or email [jean@scys.org.uk](mailto:jean@scys.org.uk)

### CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 14 6.30pm Peter Ryan RIP  
 Mon 16 7.30am Cara Bradley RIP  
           10.00am Mrs Stanislaus Ints.  
           12.30pm Olinda d'Souza Funeral Mass  
           6.30pm David & Lorenza Boyce RIP  
 Tue 17 7.30am Queen of Peace (Europe) Ints.  
           10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP  
           6.30pm Philomena Morrin RIP  
 Wed 18 7.30am Rita Ryan Ints.  
           10.00am Neva & Melwyn Sequeira Golden Jubilee  
           6.30pm Susan Conroy RIP  
 Thu 19 7.30am The Scanlon Family Ints.  
           10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP  
           6.30pm Celia Beesley RIP  
 Fri 20 7.30am Queen of Peace (Europe) Ints.  
           10.00am Michael Coyne RIP  
           6.30pm Ursuline High School  
 Sat 21 7.30am Sr Annette Dowling Ints.  
           10.00am Mary Philomena Kehoe Anniv.

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** Catherine Deidre James, Olinda D'Souza, Mary Howlin  
**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Maureen Keane, Joan Morton, Brian Sheerin, Denis Dooley, William Henry Kavanagh, Fr Francis Walsh SJ, Moira Mack, George Smith, Michael O'Connell, Michael Mariadoss, Nicholas Pattison  
**The sick:** Luisa Derx, Cecilia Marcantonio, Ronnie Bradnick, Denis Geoghegan, Alexander Skachkov, Baby Bleu Denley Saunders, Frank Micetich, Patricia Meehan, Lorraine Grozdanovic, 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, 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 £2,258 in loose plate giving and £541 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,799. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.  
 The second collection in support of the Catholic Communications Network raised £1,563. Thank you!

### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

**Monday 16th May** St Simon Stock, Priest  
**Thursday 19th May** St Dunstan, Bishop  
**Friday 20th May** St Bernadine of Siena, Priest  
**Saturday 21st May** St Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

### 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

*Messa concertata*, Teodoro Casati  
*Veni Sancte Spiritus* K47, W.A.  
 Mozart  
*Factus est repente*, Gregor Aichinger

### 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