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Newsletter

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**The Most Holy Body and
Blood of Christ (C)**
**Weekday Readings for
9th week in Ordinary Time**
Vol III. psalter week I

Next Sunday's Readings

- Book of Kings 17:17-24
- Psalm 29:2.4-6.11-13.R.v2
- Galatians 1:11-19
- Luke 7:11-17

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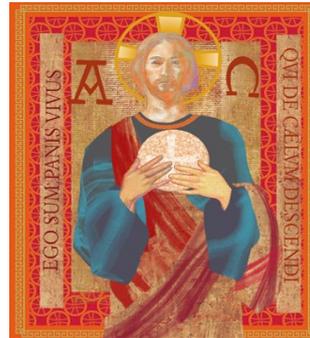
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Corpus Christi

The mystery of what a
priest does Monday to
Friday

Hi, I am John, a second year seminarian currently here on a three week placement. Much of my formation for the priesthood occurs at St John's seminary Wonersh (a village outside Guildford) where the time table revolves around prayer, study and community living. My pastoral placements are therefore a welcome break from study and a way to reconnect with parish life.

Before starting at seminary, what a priest did between Sunday's was largely a mystery to me. One thing I have learnt is the priest has plenty to do and the work is varied. In a parish such as



this, it is common to have two funerals, one or two weddings and half a dozen baptisms each week. Each of these sacraments rightly take preparation before and after the event. Pastoral visits to homes, schools and hospitals are also part of a usual week. How a priest 'fills' the week between Sundays is no longer such a mystery to me. However, what remains a deep mystery is how the priest is called to

the seemingly impossible task of being an instrument of Christ love for his people. Be it in the joy of welcoming a new born into the family of the Church at Baptism, preaching the good news at Mass, sharing in the excitement of a couple celebrating the sacrament of Marriage, accompanying the sick and dying and offering them the hope of the resurrection through the Anointing of the Sick, giving encouragement to the repentant sinner in Confession and making Christ present at the sacrifice of the Mass. So please pray for me in the existing and daunting task of discernment and preparation for priesthood. John Howard

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

REGISTRATION - NEW SYSTEM

Registration for the programme for the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion for the year 2016-17 is now open through the parish website: sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk under the heading *Sacraments*. All information about our programme can be found there and the registration form should be completed online. We have 150 places on the programme each year and places are allocated on a first come first serve basis. The closing date for registration is 4th September and no applications can be accepted after that date. Parents will be informed by Monday 12th September whether their child has a place on the programme and the first session will take place on Sunday 18th September at 11am at Donhead School.

For anyone without access to the internet, there are a limited number of forms in the Presbytery. Please complete one and hand it in. One of us will input it for you.

AMORIS LAETITIA

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

EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Please note that the email versions of the Newsletter that used to go out to parishioners are now all available from the Parish Website. As from the beginning of June we will no longer send out email Newsletters, please refer to the website for the weekly updated Newsletter. Thank you.

Parish News

AT HOME

Please note that there will be no 'At Home' on Bank holiday Monday 30th May.

BANK HOLIDAY

Please note that there will be only one Mass on Monday 30th May at 10am. The church will remain open until 5pm.

HOLY ROSARY

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

SCHOOL SLIPS

There are no school slips weekend. Collection will resume on 11/12th June.

GIFT AID

If any parishioner whose donations to the Sacred Heart parish are gift-aided needs to know the total of their donations in the last financial year (April 2015-April 2016) please contact the parish office.

Announcements

CORPUS CHRISTI

At each Mass today the Parish's Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who are present renew their commitment to serve the Ministry for a further year. They will be called forward by the priest before the Agnus Dei.

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 3rd June 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.

MARRIAGE MoT

Because your marriage is worth it! Spend a day celebrating your marriage and giving it an MoT, enriching your relationship and improving your communication skills, one to one. The date is Saturday 25th June, the venue St William of York church hall, Forest Hill, London SE23 from 9.45am-4.30pm. This is a day for couples, whether married a few years or decades; booking is essential,

call 020 8651 2477 or email marriage2014@virginmedia.com

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY DOOR OF MERCY

Parish Pilgrimage to The Holy Door of Mercy, at St George's Cathedral on Saturday 22nd October. A coach will leave the church at 9.30am and return by 3.30pm. Cost adults £7.50/children £5. Names to be put on the list at the back of the church. More details from Sadie Smith 020 8946 5198 or email sadiesmith3@talktalk.net

Parish Organisations

SEWING GROUP

Experienced embroider needed to help repair Parish Vestments.

Also, have you got any white cotton sheets or white table cloths – in good condition - which could be re-used as alter linen? Please contact Sadie Smith on 020 8946 5198 or email sadiesmith3@talktalk.net

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Our group meets weekly in Wimbledon on Wednesdays at 2.15pm, 41 Murray Road, SW19. For more information please contact Pauline Barry on 020 8715 6095 or email barrypauline11@gmail.com

STAMP GROUP

The Stamp Group will meet on Thursday 2nd June at 9.30am at 11 Edge Hill. Helpers needed!

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: edgehillmemorylaneclub@gmail.com).

Social, Cultural & Notices

THANK YOU

Bob Rathbone and the Sacred Heart Chorus would like to thank all those hundreds of you who supported the Verdi Requiem last Saturday. We hope to make a sizable donation to St Raphael's Hospice, and will publish the amount as soon as we can. Thank you to all who worked so hard to make the concert so successful, not least those who helped to set up and clear up afterwards and of course, the singers and players who brought it off so spectacularly!

CHILDREN'S CHARITY CONCERT

Children's Charity Concert Sat 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, cakes will be served afterwards. If you'd like to take part, or for further details, please email Martine on the.pereiras@virginmedia.com.

CELEBRITY ORGAN RECITAL

An organ recital with Martin Baker (Master of Music, Westminster Cathedral) will be held on Saturday 11th June at 8pm in the church including Bach, Mendelssohn and Franz Liszt's monumental Fantasia & Fugue 'Ad nos, ad salutarem undam'; admission £10 at the door, students £5, children free.

THE PASSAGE

The Passage - to ending homelessness are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help in our kitchen during our breakfast and lunch services for homeless people. We are looking for a regular weekly commitment. If you are interested, please get in touch by emailing volunteering@passage.org.uk or by telephoning 020 7592 1863. Full details can be found on our website www.passage.org.uk/volunteering.

RAYNES PARK FESTIVAL

The Sacred Heart is once again partnering with 7 other local Christian churches to

organise the 7th community arts festival at venues close to Raynes Park station. From 18th - 26th June the festival will bring you 9 days of free comedy, art, music, drama, poetry and family fun! This year the theme is 'Welcome' and the dates coincide with National Refugee Week during which we will celebrate the contribution of refugees to the UK and explore a better understanding between communities. Programmes are available at the back of the church - please support your local festival! To get involved yourself, call David Hurst 07716 284287.

CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

London South West Catholic Young Adults is a social group for young Catholics in the diocese that meets every month. Our next drinks evening is on Saturday, 4th June from 7.30pm at The Ram, Kingston KT1 1HL. For further details visit our Facebook page or contact Miles on 07790 441242.

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.

The Sacred Heart Church, Wimbledon, Friendship

Group

Have the pleasure in inviting you to a

Celebration Lunch

In honour of Her Majesty

Queen Elizabeth II's

90th birthday

On Friday 10th June 12 noon

in the Upper Hall

Tickets must be booked

in advance: Price £13 or

Complimentary for

nonagenarians.

Obtainable from the Presbytery Reception or telephone

020 8947 1658

WIMBLEDON COLLEGE

Wimbledon College Former Pupils - 50 Years Anniversary Reunion for leavers from 1964/5/6 - 22nd July 2016 at the College & Old Wimbledonians Club. For full details and your invitation contact Tony Palmer (tpalmer@marplepartnership.com or call 07711 757 117).

DONHEAD SCHOOL

Donhead Preparatory School - PT (1.5 days/week) Music Teacher (maternity cover) required from September 2016. Full details available on www.donhead.org.uk or contact Mrs June Smith, at headmasterpa@donhead.org.uk. It will be necessary for successful applicants to undertake an enhanced DBS check.

Exploring our Faith

A DAY WITH MARY

Do come for a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Saturday, 4th June from 10am-5.30pm at the Most Holy Redeemer, Petersfield Ave, Harold Hill, RM3 9PB; entry procession, Angelus, Mass, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, silent adoration with celebrant and preacher Fr Jude Ifeorah SMMM. For details visit 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

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

Welcomes you to a one day workshop from 11am - 4pm on Saturday 4th June on 'Managing pressure and anxiety in the workplace' facilitated by Helen Costigane. Please book in advance via website www.mountstreet.info or call 02 74951673; 114 Mount Street London W1K 3AH.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 28 6.30pm Creadad Gomez RIP
Mon 30 10.00am Geraldine Maginn Ints.
Tue 31 7.30am Our Lady Queen of Peace (Europe) Ints.
10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP
6.30pm Mr Christopher RIP
Wed 1 7.30am Karimu Smith RIP
10.00am Denis Geghan Ints.
6.30pm Joanna & Andre Delicata Ints.
Thu 2 7.30am Rosy Fernandes RIP
10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP
6.30pm Walter Malins RIP
Fri 3 7.30am H McCloskey Thanksgiving Ints.
10.00am John Bolster RIP
6.30pm Peter Malletta RIP
Sat 4 7.30am Thanksgiving to St Jude Ints.
10.00am Pat McQuaid RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: David Engley
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Maria Thorstad, Philomena Maginnis, Pat Moles, Sr Campion O'Hagan OSU, Mary Banister
The sick: Luisa Derx, Alan Paul, Terry Thatcher, 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, 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, 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 £1,440 in loose plate giving and £577 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,017. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

The second collection for the *Little Sisters of the Poor* raised £2,670. Thank you very much for your generosity!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 31st May The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday 1st June St Justin, Martyr
Thursday 2nd June Ss Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs
Friday 3rd June The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday 4th June The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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 in G (K), F. Schubert

Missa de Angelis (S, A)

In hac mensa (from *Lauda Sion*), F. Mendelssohn

Ave verum corpus, C. Saint-Saëns

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