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Newsletter

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**25th Sunday in Ordinary
Time (C)**
**Weekday Readings for
25th week in Ordinary Time
Vol III. psalter week I**

Next Sunday's Readings

- Amos 6:1.4-7
- Psalm 145:6-10. R.v2
- Timothy 6:11-16
- Luke 16:19-31

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Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Door

This pilgrimage on Saturday 22nd October, 10.30am-3.30pm, is being organised so that everyone in the parish can take part. It will take the form of a coach trip from the church to the Holy Door at St George's Cathedral, Mother Church of the Diocese of Southwark.

What is this Holy Door? Why would we go? Pope Francis proclaimed an *Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy* for a year from the 8th December 2015. In Rome, the Jubilee began with Pope Francis opening the Holy Door of St Peter's Basilica, at which point it became a 'Door of Mercy'. In order that many people may pass through a Door of Mercy, the Holy Father asked that every Cathedral has a Door of Mercy. This Jubilee of Mercy invites us to contemplate the mercy of God revealed to us in the face of Jesus, his Son. The Jubilee offers us the opportunity to reflect on how we might better radiate and reflect the tender love of God in our world and to seek to draw others into experiencing that love and mercy. Through the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist, God wants us to experience His compassion and love.

A pilgrimage during this Holy Year of Mercy would be a significant sign that receiving the Lord's mercy and being merciful ourselves is a significant goal to reach and cannot be obtained without some dedication and sacrifice. Archbishop Peter encourages the people of the Diocese to make a Pilgrimage during the Jubilee to a Door of Mercy, as a tangible act of participation in the Jubilee. Several Deaneries and Parishes are planning visits to the Cathedral.

Groups are asked to arrive about 11am, with Mass at 12.30pm. Pilgrimage groups will enter the Cathedral through the Holy Door of Mercy to be greeted by one of the Cathedral clergy. After a prayer of welcome, the sacrament of reconciliation will be available and pilgrims will have the opportunity to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. After the celebration of Mass, the Amigo Hall will be available for tea, coffee and space should pilgrims wish to eat their packed lunch.

All parishioners are invited and encouraged to join this Pilgrimage by filling in their details on the sheets at the back of the church. We need to know the number of people, mobility needs and contact details ASAP so that we can book the coach(es) and let the Cathedral staff have information on numbers. Cost will be £7.50/children £5.00.

After Mass, tours of the Cathedral can be arranged with prior notice. Pilgrims will receive a Pilgrim book prepared for us by CTS to assist them during their visit. There will be no charge for a pilgrimage visit but a collection will be taken during Mass. Please remember to bring a packed lunch. More information from Sadie Smith 020 8946 5198 sadiesmith3@talktalk.net

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 is *Home Mission Sunday*, the 2nd collection provides the Bishops of England and Wales with resources to support 'Home Mission', the spread of the Gospel in our own country.

NEW HYMN BOOK

Our new hymn book, *Celebration Hymnal for Everyone*, was introduced last weekend. The hymn books are all numbered, please always return them after use to the back of the church. If you would like to borrow one for any reason, it must be signed out at the Presbytery and returned there. This is a considerable investment by the Parish to enhance music in our worship; please help us to keep the books in pristine condition to benefit us all.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016-17

Please note that this year's programme is now full. Registration for next year will open in June 2017. All info is available on the FHC page of the parish website,

JM LONDON MARATHON 2017

Jesuit Missions is currently recruiting runners for the 2017 London Marathon, to be held on 23rd April next year. Every year JM fields a team of up to 25 runners who raise funds to support their work around the world. In 2016, the team helped to raise nearly £50,000 in aid of the global refugee crisis. If you are interested in applying for a place in the team or want to find out more please contact richard@jesuitmissions.org.uk

BREAKFAST

Come & meet other parishioners for a continental breakfast in the Lounge next Sunday 25th September (and thereafter on every 3rd Sunday of the month) after the 8.15am Mass - 12pm.

Parish News

NEW YOUTH MINISTER

It is with great joy that we announce the appointment of a new Youth Minister. We warmly welcome Pat Ryan who has started to work with us this week. Pat will be introducing himself at all

Masses this weekend. He can be reached at youthminister@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

AT HOME

There will be **no** 'At Home' until beginning of October.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

Next Sunday 25th September a signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated at 4pm in the Chapel of Wimbledon College. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

Announcements

A NEW VENTURE - FOR FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Mums, Dads & the little ones of all ages are invited to come to the Parish Lounge on Saturday 24th September from 5-8pm. This is a great opportunity to get to know other families and familiar faces better. Please bring a plate of food to share. For further details please call Rachel Malam on 07534 893 737 or Clare Whatling on 07900 580 627.

NEW CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy programme starts again on Sunday, 25th September with two groups instead of 3

(Doves: group for school children from reception, Y1 & Y2. Parents and carers will accompany the children from the church - the priest will call the children at the beginning of Mass - to go to the Lower Hall and will stay with their children to return to church just before the Offertory; and Eagles: children in school yrs 3 and 4, they will be taken from the church by the catechists to the Lounge). As a safeguarding requirement we will take an attendance record and require parents' contact details - forms will be distributed after Mass today and we kindly ask you to fill them out.

The dates are as follows:

September 25th
October 9th and 23rd
November 6th, 20th & 27th
December 4th, 11th & 18th
January 8th & 22nd
February 5th & 26th
March 5th, 12th & 19th
April 23rd
May 7th & 21st
June 11th & 25th
July 9th

They run every 2 weeks in term time, every week during Advent.

MORNING PRAYER

We continue the celebration of Morning Prayer from the Divine Office each Wednesday morning in the Sacred Heart Chapel at 9.40am before the 10am Mass.

Parish Organisations

WIMBLEDON CANCER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Anyone affected by cancer is welcome to drop in for tea and a chat on Thu 22nd Sept. between 3.15-4.30pm. Please call 07948 767936 or email wcfg@live.co.uk for more information. 30/32 Worple Road, SW19 4EF.

The WCFG will host a *World's Biggest Coffee Morning* again this year on Friday 30th Sept. between 10am -12noon in the Parish Lounge.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Next Saturday 24th September from 10.30-11.30am in the Parish Lounge. Grief is a particularly isolating experience that can affect all aspects of your life, physically, emotionally and socially. The bereavement team invites everyone experiencing loss in their lives, no matter how long ago, to drop in for a coffee and a chat. We offer a warm

welcome. For more info call 020 8946 5198 or email bereavementsacredheart@gmail.com

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Woof! Woof! On Friday 7th October at 2.30pm Deborah Gibson from 'Canine Partners' will give a talk in the Parish Lounge on how dogs can enhance lives for people with disabilities. Tea & cakes. All welcome.

Social, Cultural & Notices

WEEKEND OF FUN

Please come & join us this Saturday 17th for a BBQ after 6.30pm Mass with music or on Sunday 18th to meet parishioners after each Mass for snacks and meals under a marquee in front of the church.

RACHMANINOFF'S ALL NIGHT VIGIL

Join *Sonoro*, a new professional choir founded by local musicians Neil Ferris and Michael Higgins, here at Sacred Heart on Thursday 22nd September at 8pm. Tickets £10-£26 on www.sonoromusic.com or on 0333 666 3366.

EM'S ANNUAL SOCIAL

This year's social for Eucharistic Ministers will be held in the Lower Hall on Thursday 17th November from 7.30-9pm. Invites are warmly extended to others who help out at Mass, such as readers and drivers. Please try and

save the date! Full details to follow soon.

NEXT CCJ EVENT

You are warmly invited to an event organised by South London, SW London and Dittons branches of the Council of Christians and Jews on Thursday 22nd September 7.30-9.30pm 'Refugees at Home and Abroad – what is being done and what can we do?' at Nightingale House, 105 Nightingale Lane, Wandsworth, SW12.

Four expert speakers Rev David Musgrave (Minister Brixton and Streatham Methodist Circuit), Richard Verber (*World Jewish Relief*), Samara Levy (*Samara's Aid Appeal*) and Sara Nathan (*Refugees at Home*), are all closely involved with helping refugees and asylum seekers both in the UK and abroad. The talks will be followed by refresh-

ments and a panel discussion. Admission free although donations will be welcomed. RSVP appreciated for catering purposes to anita.wilson@talktalk.net

ROLL UP, FOR THE PARISH PANTO!

The Parish drama group, *The Edge Hill Players*, will be putting on a panto at the end of January 2017 and we need your help to make it a spectacular event! There will be plenty of opportunities for everyone young & old to get involved whether on stage or behind the scenes. We will be holding 2 'taster' sessions in the Upper Hall on Tuesdays 20th & 27th September from 8-10pm - all welcome. For more info, please contact Wendy Tansey (020 8542 9516), Terry Marsh (07798 801225) or see this month's Edgeways.

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.

PARISH PARKING

Please take care when parking in Darlston Road! Park only in authorised parking places and please **do not** block driveways of the residents!

JIVE ACES - LIVE AT SACRED HEART PARISH

Thursday 29th September 7pm - 11pm, Upper Hall. Free Entry - Donations to JRS welcome via <https://www.justgiving.com/Paul-Ginty-JRS> or text JRSS47 £10 to 70070. This will be a lively and fun evening for both the young and old. The evening has been arranged to raise awareness and funds for the essential work of the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS). The Sacred Heart Social Club is providing a licensed bar too! Email your name to jitterbug-sw19@virginmedia.com to go on the reservation list.

GENERATIONS

TOGETHER IT CLINICS

This term's popular *Generations Together IT Clinics* will be on Fridays 23rd & 30th September, 7th & 14th October, 4th, 11th & 18th November and 2nd & 9th December - 12.35pm at the UHS. Knowledgeable girls provide excellent computer and mobile phone tuition. All grades welcome, no charge. Contact Sheila Gent on 020 8390 0119 to book a place.

Exploring our Faith

GOSPEL DISCUSSION GROUPS

Do you feel that you know the Gospels? Would you like to get to know and understand the Gospels more? Would you like to share the meaning of the Gospels with parishioners? If the answer to any of these questions is YES, then I'd like to invite you to join a small group near you. We are planning to set up some small neighbourhood groups at various times of the day. Would you like to join a group in your area - about 11am or 2.30pm or in the evening? Each session will run for about an hour, in someone's home in your area. For

more information or suggestions, please call Sadie Smith on 020 8946 5198 or email sadiesmith3@talktalk.net

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

'Why become a Catholic?' Have you ever asked yourself this question? Then perhaps you'll find the answers through the RCIA. The sessions run on Mondays at 7.45-9pm in the Lounge. Please get in touch with Canon John, Sr. Dorothy or Peter Fenwick on wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk, dorothyperrott@aol.com or call 020 8946 0305.

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AN SPIRIT TEAM

Welcomes you to a one day retreat of quiet reflection on Sat 24th Sept. 11am-5pm at Our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, Warwick Street, W1F 9JR; body_mind_spirit-meditation@hotmail.com

ROSARY CRUSADE OF REPARATION

On Sat 8th Oct, the *Rosary Crusade* will once again take to the streets of London in honour of Our Lady. Please support the Crusade with your prayers, encouragement and presence. Assemble by 1.45pm outside Westminster Cathedral, for more info visit www.rosarycrusadeofreparation.blogspot.com

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	17	6.30pm	Peg Doyle RIP
Mon	19	7.30am	Denis Geoghegan RIP
		10.00am	Thanksgiving to St Anthony
		6.30pm	Hughie Guckian RIP
Tue	20	7.30am	Teodora Owczarek RIP
		10.00am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		6.30pm	Denis Geoghegan RIP
Wed	21	7.30am	Henry Family Ints.
		10.00am	Mo-Lin Cox Ints.
		6.30pm	Peter Cheuk RIP
Thu	22	7.30am	Holy Souls
		10.00am	Alfred Jessiman RIP
		6.30pm	S & A Donaghue 50th Wedd. Anniv.
Fri	23	7.30am	Vittorio Miszczanyan RIP
		10.00am	Francis Shannon RIP
		6.30pm	David & Lorenza Boyce RIP
Sat	24	7.30am	Our Lady Queen of Peace Ints.
		10.00am	Souls in Purgatory

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: John Desmond, John Dalton, Rick Kershaw, Brian Creegan

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: David Ryan, Donald Millar Keith, Rosina Tedesco, Teodora Owczarek, Margaret Marshall, Fr Bernard Taylor SJ, Doris Refaat, Martin Middlehurst, Frank Abberton

The sick: Camille Endaya, Yvonna Patten, Tracy Byrne, Angela Balogum, Giena Worth, Peter Gent, George Minas, Luisa Derx, Cecilia Marcantonio, Ronnie Bradnick, Alexander Skachkov, Baby Bleu Denley Saunders, Patricia Meehan, Joan Paul, Alan Paul, Frank Micetich, Lorraine Grozdanovic, Roberto Luigi Farina, Sophia Ridley, Avril Brown, Cindy Bayat, Bernadette McMurray, Anne Medicraft, 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 £1,910 in loose plate giving and £499 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,409. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

The second collection for the Catholic Education Service raised £802. Thank you for your generous support!

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Monday 19th Sept. St Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop

Tuesday 20th Sept. Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest and Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs

Wednesday 21st Sept. St Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Friday 23rd Sept. St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest, Memorial

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 de angelis, Plainsong

Ah, thou poor world, J. Brahms

Give almes of thy goods, Th. Tallis

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