



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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## Newsletter

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**Second Sunday  
of Easter  
(Divine Mercy Sunday)**

**Weekday Readings for  
2nd week of Easter (A)  
Vol I. psalter week 2**

### Next Sunday's Readings

3rd Sunday of Easter

- Acts 2:14.22-33
- Ps 15:1-2.5.7-11. R.v.11
- I Peter 1:17-21
- Luke 24:13-35

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## The Omabite Borehole - A Thing of Beauty

On April 20th, the Omabite borehole was blessed and commissioned by Bishop Augustine Ukwuoma, the Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Orlu, Imo State, Nigeria. The joy of the people remains untold and overwhelming. It is the best Easter so far among the people of Omabite. They received the gift of clean water, one of the essential necessities of life, thanks to the generosity of the parish of the Sacred Heart Wimbledon. They are sure of this water, both in its availability and its potability. The time and energy people would have otherwise spent collecting water from the nearby river can now be channelled into other useful areas. The Omabite borehole is up



and running. It is the good work of the Lord and marvellous in our eyes. It bears the signature of beauty and largesse, customary to the people of the Church of the Sacred Heart, Wimbledon. The lines you are reading are expressions of my personal gratitude and that of the people of Omabite and beyond, to all of the Church of the Sacred Heart, Wimbledon and Friends of Omabite. On this Divine Mercy Sunday, I prayerfully implore God's abundant mercy on all people of goodwill, all of the Sacred Heart Parish and the

Friends of Omabite for accomplishing this feat in record time. Even the many who prefer anonymity in their magnanimity, it is my joy to reassure you, once more, that the beneficiaries of this kind gesture are praying for you. The blessing of the borehole and fountain was a joyful feast for all in Omabite. There are some pictures of the happy event on display on the board at the back of the church. In those pictures that evoke deep nostalgia in me, I open to you the deepest parts of my life and heart and the unalloyed gratitude of the people of Omabite and beyond. The pictures speak of the grateful journey so far - thanks to your generosity.

Fr Ted

### THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark MA

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 and Pat Ryan (Youth Minister)

## SECOND COLLECTION

The Second Collection next Sunday 30th April will be for the maintenance of St George's Cathedral, the mother church of the Diocese. This collection helps to meet the cost of the upkeep of the Cathedral.

## THANK YOU

The family of the late Denis Geoghegan would like to thank all those who contributed to the collection at his funeral. Several liturgical books have been purchased and are now in use at St. Georges Hospital R/ C Chapel. Thank you to everyone for their support, kindness and for the many Masses that were said for Denis.

## CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Please join the Charismatic Prayer Group for praise & worship on Monday 24th April, from 7.30 - 9.20pm in the Youth Room. The evening will commence with a rosary at 7.30pm followed by praise & worship. A talk on 'Reconciliation' will be given by Tony Boyce from the Westminster Charismatic group. Enquiries (07958 782779 Audra)

## CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

The next continental breakfast will be on Sunday 30th April in the Lower Hall after the 8.15am Mass, up to 12noon.

## SVP

The Wimbledon Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul exists to help individuals and families in need. If you, or someone you know, in the parish needs help, please leave contact details via the presbytery, either in writing or by telephone, 020 8946 0305. All referrals are dealt with in strict confidence.

## Parish News

### AT HOME

There will be no 'At Home' until further notice.

### SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again on the 29/30th April.

### SIGNED & SPOKEN MASS

A signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated this Sunday, 23rd April, at 4pm in the Chapel of Wimbledon College. All with hearing difficulties welcome!

### YOUTH MASS

We will celebrate our next Youth Mass on Sunday 7th May at 5pm. All ages are welcome!

## Announcements

### FORMATION FOR MINISTRY

There will be a Formation for Ministry meeting on Saturday 29th April from 9am-1pm on 'Parish Leadership & the Role of Parish Pastoral Councils' led by Dr Bridie Stringer & Fr John Mulligan at the Kairos Centre, Roehampton. Please book in advance: [sadie.smith3@talktalk.net](mailto:sadie.smith3@talktalk.net)

### MASS FOR NEW CATHOLICS

A special Mass for new Catholics will be celebrated on

Saturday 3rd June at 11am at St George's Cathedral. After the Mass there will be a Q&A session while refreshments will be served. Godparents, sponsors, family, clergy, catechists, parishioners and friends are also warmly invited!

### ANNUAL MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Please note that the popular annual St George's Cathedral Mass for couples celebrating special wedding anniversaries during the year will take

place on Saturday 17th June. Details to follow.

### CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 26th April at Murray Road. All are welcome to spend just 20 mins in silent prayer. For more info: Pauline Barry 020 8715 6095 or email [barrypauline11@gmail.com](mailto:barrypauline11@gmail.com).

## Parish Organisations

### WIMBLEDON CANCER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The next monthly drop-in will be on Thursday 27th April from 3.15-4.30pm. The group's small, friendly team of volunteers take turns in running the meetings, and all have personal, direct or indirect experience of cancer. Drop-in meetings can offer friendly encouragement, factual information, and put you in touch with other local cancer or carer organisations. Please call 07948 767 936 or email [wcfg@live.co.uk](mailto:wcfg@live.co.uk) for more information. 30/32 Worple Road, SW19 4EF.

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

On Saturday, 29th April 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 invite everyone experiencing loss in their lives, no matter how long ago, to drop-in for a coffee and a chat. We offer you a warm welcome. For more information call 020 8946 5198 or on the website.

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 12th May: join us on a summer outing to Nymans Gardens (NT) by minibus or car (no charge), entrance fee £12, we leave from the church car park at 10.45am and return at 4pm; free bug-

gy tour of the garden for the less able. To book call Chris 020 8241 9703 (leave message if necessary, no later than 28th April).

Friday 2nd June: Upper Hall at 1pm, come and enjoy a luncheon with the French theme *Joie de vivre*; tickets £15 in advance from the Presbytery.

### MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

The prayer group meets every Tuesday at 10.30am for approx. 1 hour. A simple set of formal prayers are used. This is a great opportunity to pray in a committed way for children. Contact Polly Harrison for more info (07815 855 469).

## Social, Cultural & Notices

**TRANSPORTS DE JOIE** 3pm, meet at the main Cathedral door; £5, concessions available, [chwalkslondon@gmail.com](mailto:chwalkslondon@gmail.com)

David Gammie will be playing a special programme on Thursday 27th April at 7.30pm in the church: 'Transports de Joie' (on the 25th anniversary of Olivier Messiaen's death, a Magical Mystery Tour through the multi-coloured musical universe of the 20th century's most inspirational Catholic composer). Admission free.

**BRAHMS REQUIEM**  
Choral singers are still welcome to join the rehearsals for Brahms' *Ein deutsches Requiem* on Mondays 24th April, 8th, 15th & 22nd May, 5th & 12th June, from 7.30-9.30pm in the church, (afternoon rehearsal on 17th June). Concert will be on Saturday 17th June in the church.

**CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS**  
Tour of St George's Cathedral on Friday 28th April at

3pm, meet at the main Cathedral door; £5, concessions available, [chwalkslondon@gmail.com](mailto:chwalkslondon@gmail.com)

**THE FOUR EVANGELISTS**  
You are invited to a talk (part of a new series of talks on art, artists and faith) on 'The Four Evangelists' led by Mark Nash on Tuesday 25th April at the Centre of Catholic Formation, Tooting SW17 8BS. Doors open at 7pm, drinks provided. Donations welcome. For more info see [www.ccftootingbec.org.uk](http://www.ccftootingbec.org.uk)

**WEST BARNES SINGERS**  
The West Barnes Singers' Spring concert featuring St Cecilia's Mass by Charles Gounod and works by Finzi, Brahms and Elgar will be on Saturday 29th April at 7.30pm at St John the Baptist Church, Spencer Hill, SW19 4NZ. Tickets £15 (children free) available at the door.

**CRICKET COLTS**  
Old Wimbledonians Cricket Colts have some places available for the 2017 season. For boys and girls from U6 to U15. If interested, please email [owcc-colts@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:owcc-colts@hotmail.co.uk)

**LONDON MARATHON**  
Team Wombles will come of age in this year's London Marathon this Sunday 23rd April. This year's run will be the 21st that our furry friends have taken part in. Funds raised this year will go towards a psycho-social program run by the *Jesuit Refugee Service* offering support to Sundanese civilians who cross the border into South Sudan seeking refuge from war and violence in the north of the country. If you would like to make a donation, see the Womble after the 9.45am Mass or visit <http://www.jrsuk.net>

## Exploring our Faith

**POST EASTER TALKS**  
You are invited to a series of post Easter talks on the Holy Spirit starting on Thursday 27th April at 7.30pm on 'Prayer and the Holy Spirit' by Kerri Lenartowick. Amigo Hall, Lambeth Rd, SE1 6HR. Free entry, donations welcomed, refreshments; register at 020 8672 7684, for more info visit [www.tootingbec.org.uk](http://www.tootingbec.org.uk)

**A DAY WITH MARY**  
Do come for a day of instruction, devotion and intercession on Sat 29th April from 9.45am-5.30pm at Westminster Cathedral, SW1P 1QW. Entry

Procession of Our Lady, Angelus, Crowning, Sung Litany Mass in honour of Our Lady; celebrant and preacher Canon Christopher Tuckwell, sermon on Our Lady by Fr Richard Duffield C.O. (Please visit [www.adaywithmary.org](http://www.adaywithmary.org))

**AYLESFORD PRIORY**  
On Sat 6th May, the Legion of Mary coach to Aylesford will depart from the Polka Theatre at 8.30am & from St John Fisher's Church at 8.45am, cost/seat £12. Please contact Questa or Philip Newill on 020 8540 8091 or 07787 334 586 to book. Payment required in advance.

**PILGRIMAGES**  
- Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Lisieux, Paris, Nevers, Rocamadour by Luxury Coach from 27th May - 3rd June for £679 including all excursions, travelling from London E13.  
- Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 4th-12th Sept for £1.197 including all excursions, flying from LHR.  
- Pilgrimage to Fatima celebrating 100 years of Fatima from 26th Nov - 2nd Dec for £689 including all excursions, flying from LHR. For further information call Mrs Mozzi on 020 8472 0843.

### 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.

### MARRIAGE CARE

Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support - providing counselling & marriage preparation throughout England & Wales. Our local centre in SW London is looking for Marriage Preparation Facilitators to present marriage preparation days for engaged couples (training is provided), a Head of Centre and Parish Liaison Officers to promote services & volunteering within local parishes. If you would like to be part of a friendly, dedicated team please visit [www.marriagecare.org.uk](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk) for more info.

### CINQUE COTTAGES

The post of Clerk to this small alms-house charity will shortly fall vacant. The job would suit someone with business skills, a concern for others and some time to give. Home-based, flexible duties, local interest, supportive trustees, contented residents, negotiable remuneration; further details and application form from [colin@holloway.myzen.co.uk](mailto:colin@holloway.myzen.co.uk)

### LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT

Welcome you to come to a one day Retreat of quiet Reflection Saturday 29th April 2017 11am - 5pm at the Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR

### 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 Canon J Clark  
 8.30am\* Fr N King SJ | 5.00pm Fr P Gallagher SJ  
 9.45am Fr T Nwokeji | 8.00pm Canon V Elias

\* SH School Mass Centre

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	22	6.30pm	G Markopolous Ints.
Mon	24	7.30am	David & Lorenza Boyce RIP
		10.00am	Sr Catherine & Sr Margaret RIP
		6.30pm	Michael Maidment RIP
Tue	25	7.30am	Our Lady Queen of Peace
		10.00am	Charlie McMenamin RIP
		6.30pm	Phyllis Balne RIP
Wed	26	7.30am	Harry MacMahon RIP
		10.00am	Eygene Byrne
		1.00pm	Funeral for Gayle Moretti
		6.30pm	John Thomas Nolan RIP
Thu	27	7.30am	St Jude & St Anthony Thanksgiving
		10.00am	Maria Amoroso RIP
		1.00pm	Funeral for Daphne Cooper
		6.30pm	Tony Burke RIP
Fri	28	7.30am	Patrick Heffernan RIP
		10.00am	Barbara Creed RIP
		12.00pm	Funeral for Tim Almeida
		6.30pm	James Westbrook RIP
Sat	29	7.30am	Eileen Harrison RIP
		10.00am	Eugenie Byrne RIP

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Those who have died recently:** Daphne Cooper, Simon Shilston, Thulasi Pillay, Gayle Moretti, Mary O'Hara, Hazel Mary Beckingham, Tim Almeida

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Joseph Gilhooly, Mary Louise Humphries, Marianne Zeck, Vincent Conception, Raymond Boyce, Margaret Hutchinson, Peter Ipekjdjian

**The sick:** Barbara Johnston, Linda Day, Grant Jepsom, Eddie Power, George Manara, Tom Searle, Iris Desmier, Paul Shannon, Brian Bladen-Hovell, Sandra Broadbent, Daphne Minas, Gabriel Godfrey, Cathy McElroy, Barry Sharrow, Sr Charmaine, Yvonna Patton, Tracy Byrne, Giena Worth, Ronnie Bradnick, Alexander Skachkov, Baby Bleu Denley Saunders, Patricia Meehan, Joan Paul, Frank Micetich, 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, Caleb Edser, Julian Eddy, Troy Najair, Margaret Lumley and Andrew Tan [Please advise the Reception when names can be removed.]



### COLLECTIONS

The collection on Good Friday for *Holy Places* came to £2.719.

Canon John, Fr Ted and Canon Elias would like to express their deep gratitude for your very generous Easter offerings.

### FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

**Sunday 23rd April** St George, Martyr, Patron of England

**Monday 24th April** St Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr; St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr; Ss Justus & Mellitus; St Mary Euphrasia Pelletier, Religious

**Tuesday 25th April** St Mark, Evangelist

**Friday 28th April** St Louis-Marie Grignon de Monfort, Priest

**Saturday 29th April** St Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe

### 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 of the month 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

### 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)

Youth Minister: Pat Ryan [youthminister@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:youthminister@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk)

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

Admission to Hospital: RC hospital chaplains will only be aware of your admission if you specifically ask for the hospital chaplaincy team to be informed. Please tell a member of the ward staff, it is also helpful to let your parish priest know.