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Newsletter

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Third Sunday of Easter

Weekday Readings for
3rd week of Easter (A)
Vol I. psalter week 3

Next Sunday's Readings

4th Sunday of Easter

- Acts 2:14. 36-41
- Ps 22:1-6. R.v1
- I Peter 2:20-25
- John 10:1-10

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Emmaus

The meeting of Jesus with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus and their subsequent identifying of him in the breaking of the bread, is one of my favourite stories surrounding the resurrection and ascension of Jesus. Jesus meets the two where they are, he is waiting for them on the road. He listens to all that has been happening to them, their hopes and their disappointments. He helps them to see the truth of what has happened by interpreting the scriptures for them so that they can see what has gone on in their lives as consistent with the prophecies of the Old Testament. Only then does Jesus accept the invitation to stay with them and share a meal. It is during the



meal that Jesus takes bread and breaks it and shares it with them and the same with the wine. It is in the breaking of the bread that they recognise who this person is. It is Jesus risen from the dead. *"Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?"* We speak a lot about evangelisation these days we have in Jesus the perfect evangeliser. He has much to teach us. Following his example we need to meet people where they are, that can be in their homes or work places, on the bus or in

the playground. We need to listen to their story, what is worrying them, what are their hopes and fears. Then we have the opportunity to bring God's word into their lives, giving them a context in which to see how God loves them and lives with them. Then we should celebrate with them, preferably through the Eucharist when we can see Jesus in our lives through the breaking of the bread. Then like the disciples on the road to Emmaus we should bring that experience to our family and friends.

The disciples on the road to Emmaus returned to Jerusalem to tell the apostles what they had seen. We too need to let others know what we have seen in Jesus the Risen Lord.

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 this 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.

Next Sunday, 7th May, the second collection will be in support of the *Ecclesiastical Education*, a collection that 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.

FORMATION OF MINISTRY

An invitation to all catechists to attend a talk by Sr Nuala Gannon IBVM (Sr Nuala is experienced in Adult Formation and Catechesis at Diocesan and Parish level) on 'Faith Caught or Thought' on Tuesday 2nd May 7.30-9pm at SS Peter & Paul, Cranmer Rd, Mitcham CR4 4LD. For information please contact Sadie Smith on sadiesmith3@talktalk.net

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

A continental breakfast will be served this Sunday in the Lower Hall after the 8.15am Mass, up to 12noon.

STAMP CUTTING AT JESUIT MISSIONS

The next stamp cutting meeting will take place on Thursday 4th May at 9.30am, 11 Edge Hill SW19 4RL.

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION

The Wimbledon Circle of the Newman Association invites you to a talk on 'The Mercy of God as shown in Scripture and in Art' by Fr Geoffrey Wheaton SJ on Tuesday 23rd May at 7.30pm in the Lounge,

Parish News

AT HOME

The next 'At Home' will be on Monday 8th May.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again this weekend.

BANK HOLIDAY

Please note that there will be only one Mass at 10am on Monday 1st May.

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 5th May following 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.

YOUTH MASS

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

Announcements

YOUR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Celebrating your 1st, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or any later anniversary this year? If so, Archbishop Peter invites you to join him to renew your vows and celebrate a Mass for married couples at 3pm on Saturday 17th June at St George's Cathedral. Close family are welcome too. Enter your names and contact details on the form at the back of the church and you will receive a personal, written invitation from the Archbishop. Don't delay because the cut-off is the first week of May. More details from Deacon Philip and Mrs Mary Pond on 020 8651 4653 or email marriage2014@virginmedia.com

FIRST COMMUNION MASSES

First Communion Masses will be celebrated on Saturdays 6th and 13th May (at 10am, 12noon & 2pm). There will be **no** confessions other than at 6pm on these Saturdays. Please keep the First Communion children and their families in your prayers over the coming weeks.

EVANGELISATION GROUP MEETING

Saturday 6th May in the Parish Lounge 10.30am-12 noon. Come and hear what is happening now - here in this Parish. We are all called & gifted and we owe it to others to learn how to share our faith. Everyone is welcome to come for a coffee and to hear a short presentation by Maria Christopher.

THE JOY OF LOVE - AND ITS CHALLENGE

Pope Francis's apostolic exhortation 'The Joy of Love' (*Amoris Laetitia*) has attracted great interest and not a little controversy. This is a watershed document which will influence our Church for decades to come. You can find out why it is so important, and how it affects you and your family by attending a presentation near Westminster Cathedral on Wednesday 24th May. The event runs from 10.30am till 3pm at Vaughan House, 46 Francis St, London SW1P 1QN. Booking is essential but all are welcome. The cost is £20, including lunch. For more details telephone 020 7931 6064 or email family@rcdow.org.uk

Parish Organisations

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 buggy tour of the garden for the less able. To book call Chris

020 8241 9703 (leave message if necessary).

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.

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

BRAHMS REQUIEM

Choral singers are welcome to join the rehearsals for Brahms' *Ein deutsches Requiem* on Mondays 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.

THANK YOU

Jesuit Missions wish to offer sincere thanks to all parishioners for their most generous sponsorship. Wellington Womble led Jesuit Missions' Team Wombles in their 21st consecutive year of taking part in the London Marathon. 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 still like to make donations, please visit www.jesuitmissions.org.uk

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

The King's Good Servant: come and learn about the story of the heroic St Thomas More; meet at the Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer, Chelsea, on Friday 5th May at 2pm; (for more info email chwalkslondon@gmail.com)

UHS ALUMNAE

Celebrating 125 Years: 1882-2017, Catholic Education - Extraordinary Women; there will be an Alumnae Event in July 2017. If you are a former student of the Ursuline High School or know someone who is or who may be interested to learn more, please register your interest and email alumnae@uhs.com.

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

Exploring our Faith

POST EASTER TALKS

The next post Easter talk will be on Thursday 4th May at 7.30pm on 'Fruits and Gifts of the Spirit' by Fr Andrew Pinsent. Amigo Hall, Lambeth Rd, SE1 6HR. Free entry, donations welcomed, refreshments; register at 020 8672 7684, for more info visit www.tootingbec.org.uk

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.

EVENINGS OF FAITH

All are welcome to a series of talks on 'Developing the thought of St. John Paul II' starting at 7pm on alternate Tuesdays from 9th May 2017

(and then Tuesday 23rd May, 6th June, 20th June and 4th July). The first talk will be held by Fr Tim Finigan on 'Fides et Ratio: The need for a new synthesis of faith & reason'. Challoner Room, Basement, 24 Golden Square, London W1F 9JR (Tube: Piccadilly Circus). For full details: www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith.

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.

SPIRIT IN THE CITY

The annual evangelisation festival in the West End of London presented by Notre Dame de France and Westminster Diocese will take place on 9/10th June with Theatre, Music, Workshops, Prayer and Talks, for more info visit spiritinthecity.org

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

There will be a one day workshop from 11am-4pm on Saturday 6th May on 'Journaling as Prayer' facilitated by Andrew Kerr-Jarrett. In this workshop you will try out and explore different ways of journaling techniques as ways of deepening your relationship with God. Please book in advance on pathwaystogod.org or call 020 7495 1673.

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.

MEGA YOUTH POLL

In 2018, Pope Francis will invite Bishops and others to Rome to talk about Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment. At this gathering they will discuss how the Catholic Church can accompany young people in their faith and help them to hear God's call. If you are 13-29 years old, the Catholic Church in England and Wales would like to hear from you, we want to hear what life is like, your thoughts on faith and how you connect with the Catholic Church. To help you tell us, we have created a Youth Poll that you can access using this link <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/parish-youth-poll> If you're not in this age group but would like to help, please encourage the young people you know to respond to this poll by giving them the link. Closing date 5th June.

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@hollo-way.myzen.co.uk

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 29 6.30pm Arthur Hakel RIP
 Mon 1 10.00am Eugene Byrne RIP
 Tue 2 7.30am Mary Howlin RIP
 10.00am Ina McQuaid Birthday Ints.
 6.30pm Charlie Earley Ints.
 Wed 3 7.30am Martina McNamara Ints.
 10.00am Justin Jessiman RIP
 6.30pm Eugene Byrne RIP
 Thu 4 7.30am Eugene Byrne RIP
 10.00am Dr Thava Ints.
 6.30pm Eugene Byrne RIP
 Fri 5 7.30am Maria Holloway Thanksgiving
 10.00am Cyril Santhiapillai RIP
 6.30pm Brendan Burke RIP
 Sat 6 7.30am Maurice Xiberras RIP
 10.00am First Communion Mass

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Simon Shilston, Thulasi Pillay, Mary O'Hara, Michael Chapman

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Anna Sabbath, Patricia Gibbens, Lucy Leslie, Mary Howlin, Isabel Zapata, Joaquim Albuquerque, John J Cleary

The sick: Bertha D'Costa, Evelyn Harrington, 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

Collection at Mass last Sunday came to £1,461 in loose plate giving and £397 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £1,858. 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, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Monday 1st May St Joseph the Worker
 Day of prayer for God's blessing on human work
Tuesday 2nd May St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday 3rd May Ss Philip and James, Apostles
Thursday 4th May The English 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 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 brevis in Eb, Antonio Lotti
Regina Coeli, Gregor Aichinger
Beati quorum via, Charles V. Stanford

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 Youth Minister: Pat Ryan youthminister@sacredheartwimbleton.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 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.