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Newsletter

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The Ascension of the Lord

**Weekday Readings for
7th week of Easter (A)
Vol I. psalter week 3**

Next Sunday's Readings Pentecost Sunday

- Acts 2:1-11
- Ps 103:1.24. 29-31. 34.
R.cf v30
- Corinthians 12:3-7. 12-13
- John 20:19-23

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Communicating Hope and Trust in our Time

MANCHESTER UNITED

In the wake of the terrible events in Manchester on Monday night, we have seen the communities of that city come together to offer help and support to the victims of that mindless violence. In shared grief they have rallied around the bereaved and injured and have sought ways to lessen the impact of the violence by their desire to come together and witness to the spirit of the city that will give them the courage to face the future. The motto of this World Com-

munications Day, 'Communicating hope and Trust in our Time', could not be more appropriate as we pray for the dead, the bereaved, the injured and traumatised and the people of Manchester.

World Communications Day Prayer

O God, whose word is truth and in whose light we see light, guide those who tell the story of our times through word and image. Make them seekers after truth and advocates of human dignity. Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours, and, as we confront the pain and promise of this world, awaken in us a sense of wonder at your presence and of longing for your peace, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

Pope Francis' World Communications Day Message 2017:

'... in a communications industry which thinks that good news does not sell, ... I am convinced that we have to break the vicious circle of anxiety and stem the spiral of fear resulting from a constant focus on 'bad news' (wars, terrorism, scandals and all sort of human failure). I would like to encourage everyone to engage in constructive forms of communication that reject prejudice towards others and foster a culture of encounter, helping all of us to view the world around us with realism and trust.'

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

Today, 28th May, World Day of Communication, the second collection will be in support of the Catholic Communications Network (CCN), the media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The CCN seeks to be of service both to the Church and the world in offering professional channels of communication, and provides support for the Bishops of England and Wales and the wider Church in promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues.

1887-2017

Save the date: Celebrating 130th Anniversary of the Sacred Heart Church on Sunday 25th June from 12.30pm in the Upper Hall; food, entertainment and celebrations; more details to follow....

As part of the 130th Anniversary Celebrations we are collecting memories from parishioners for an exhibition and possible photobook. Please send your 'happiest memories', with photographs, of you and your family's time at the Sacred Heart Parish. Please email these to dthurst52@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

A fundraising evening in support of the *Omabite Water Project* in Fr Ted's village in Nigeria will be held on Friday 7th July, Upper Hall; please see attached flyer for details.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Our group meets weekly in Wimbledon on Wednesdays at 2.15pm for a 2.30pm start, at 41 Murray Road, SW19. For more information please contact Pauline Barry on 020 87156095 or barrypauline11@gmail.com.

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be **no** 'At Home' on Monday 29th May.

BANK HOLIDAY

Please note that there will be only one Mass on Bank Holiday Monday 29th May at 10am. The church will remain open until 5pm.

SIGNED AND SPOKEN MASS

A signed and spoken Mass will be celebrated today, 28th May at 4pm. Please note that this Mass will be celebrated in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the church.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will **not** be

collected until the weekend of 10/11th June.

HEALING SERVICE

A Mass for the Elderly with Anointing of the Sick and those who are frail or infirm will be celebrated on Saturday 3rd June at 10am.

Announcements

CLERGY SUPPORT FUND CAMPAIGN

Thank you to all parishioners who supported the Diocesan wide Campaign to raise support for our sick and retired clergy. During the last few years, many parishioners expressed appreciation for particular priests who have had a positive influence in their lives, and have enquired about the possibility of leaving a gift in their Will to the Campaign. If this is a cause that resonates with you and you would like to find a way of thanking our retired priests for their service to our community, please consider picking up an introduc-

tory leaflet from the back of the church. Thank you.

RAPHAEL PILGRIMAGE REUNION

The Raphael Pilgrimage to Lourdes Reunion will take place here at Sacred Heart on Saturday 10th June with Mass at 6.30pm followed by a buffet supper in the Parish Lounge. All supporters welcome. Cost £15 per head. To book your place please contact Angela (020 8337 5016 or SearleAM@aol.com)

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 2nd June 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.

FORMATION FOR MINISTRY

An invitation to attend a talk by Dr Helen Costigane on 'Today's Moral Maze - Church teaching & lived reality' on Tuesday 13th June from 7.30-9pm at St Teresa's, Morden, SM4 6BZ. For information please contact Sadie Smith (sadiesmith3@talktalk.net).

Parish Organisations

TRAIDCRAFT

The Traidcraft stall will be outside the church this Sunday morning. As well as our usual groceries, there is some new jewellery. There is also a 'bargain box' of items for £1 each. By supporting Traidcraft, you are providing people living in some of the world's poorest communities with the knowledge and skills they need to improve their livelihoods and help educate their children.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

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.

WIMBLEDON CANCER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

There will be an evening meeting on Thursday 8th June from 7.30-9pm when Gottfried Schmidt, a Creative Life Therapist, Arts and Crafts Teacher at St Raphael's Hospice will be giving a

hands-on demonstration of encaustic arts and talking about the therapeutic benefits of art. No art experience needed. Please call 07948 767 936 or email wcfg@live.co.uk for more information; 30/32 Worple Rd, SW19 4EF.

STAMP CUTTING AT JESUIT MISSIONS

The next stamp cutting meeting will take place on Thursday 1st June at 9.30am, 11 Edge Hill SW19 4RL.

Social, Cultural & Notices

THAMES PHIL. CHOIR

The *18th Century Classics* Concert of the Thames Philharmonic Choir will be on Saturday 10th June at 7.30pm with works by Bach, Händel, Haydn, and Mozart; All Saints' Parish Church, Kingston KT1 1JP. For tickets (from £5-£20) visit www.thamesphilchoir.org.uk or call 07522 524081.

BRAHMS REQUIEM

The Sacred Heart Chorus and Orchestra will perform Brahms' '*Ein deutsches Requiem*', conducted by Robert Rathbone, with soloists Katy Tansey and Samuel Pantcheff on Saturday 17th June at 8pm in the church. Tickets (£15, £10 concessions, £5 full-time

students) are available from Hill, Wimbledon, SW19 4NP. We look forward to welcoming as many people as possible.

RIDING THE WAVES

The Edge Hill Players are working with the Parish community to put on a one-act play '*Riding the Waves*', which both entertains and enhances our understanding of dementia. Donhead Preparatory School has very kindly offered us the use of their new Auditorium for the performance. This will take place on Friday 30th June at 6.30pm. Entry is free but with a collection which will benefit both the *Memory Lane Group* and the *Jesuit Missions*. A drinks reception will be held on the school lawn at 6pm - 33 Edge

FUN FAMILY AFTERNOON

Do come along for a Fun Family Afternoon on Sunday 11th June from 1-4pm at Cannizaro House, SW19 4UE. This afternoon is held in support of the Goldblatt Syndrome Foundation, a charity supporting children with rare forms of dwarfism. On the day, meet Olivia, a local girl with Goldblatt Syndrome. This free afternoon with tea, an auction and plenty of entertainment for the kids is a chance to show your support and to have fun with family & friends.

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.

2 WEEKS TO GO:



Mary's Meals will be coming to our church in a couple of weeks' time to take away your unwanted - good quality - clothing and bedding (**no duvets or pillows please**). Over the next few weeks, please collect your unwanted clothes and put them in tied sacks. Then before 12.45pm on Sunday 11th June bring them with you when you come to Mass. The charity *Mary's Meals* feeds children one good meal every day at school in over 14 countries. Because of their low costs they can do this for as little as £13.90 per child/year!

ELECTION HUSTINGS

The Election Hustings will be held on Thursday 1st June at Trinity UCR in Mansel Road, SW19 4AA, from 7.30-9pm. All 5 candidates for the Wimbledon seat will be there and questions should be submitted in advance to minister@trinitywimbledon.org or by post to the church address.

BISHOPS' MESSAGE

The Bishops of England and Wales are encouraging Catholics to play an active part in the General Election. While voting for any particular party is a matter of conscience, the bishops encourage people to use their vote at this pivotal time for our nations, as we prepare to leave the EU.

Exploring our Faith

ST AUGUSTINE WEEK

At the Shrine of St Augustine, Ramsgate, come celebrate our diocesan patron (St Augustine of Canterbury) with the annual St Augustine Week Festival. There are talks, tours, music, workshops, processions, Masses & more. Highlights include the Blessing of the Sea on 29th May; the Grand Re-opening on 3rd June (with Archbishop Peter Smith) and the St Augustine Cross procession on 4th June. More info available online at <http://augustinefriends.co.uk/?p=5121> or call 01843 606756.

DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE

The 8th National Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 3rd June starting at 10.30am

organised by Marian Fathers; for info & coach booking call 020 8998 0925 or info@divinemercy.org.uk

EVENINGS OF FAITH

All are welcome to a series of talks on '*Developing the thought of St. John Paul II*'. The next talk will be on Tuesday 6th June at 7pm on '*Mulieris Dignitatem: Male and female in a gender-neutral society*' held by Ryan Day & Kerri Lenartowick; Challoner Room, Basement, 24 Golden Square, London W1F 9JR (Tube: Piccadilly Circus). Full details from www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

You are welcome to a one day workshop on '*A love Shared - Celebrating the Gift of the Eucharist*' facilitated by Michael Smith SJ on Saturday 3rd June from 11am-4pm.

Please book in advance via www.pathwaystogod.org or at 020 7495 1673. Suggested donation £25 (please only make the donation which you can afford). 114 Mount Street, London W1K 3AH

PILGRIMAGE TO JORDAN

There are a few places left on an eight-day pilgrimage in Jordan, from 30th Oct - 6th Nov, flying direct to Amman, with visits to Petra, Jerash, Nebo, Wadi Rum and Madaba. The cost for 8 days is £1,650 (includes flights, accommodation in the very modern & comfortable guest house of the Rosary Sisters in Fuheis, all meals and guided tours); for more information and to book your place please contact Elizabeth on office@pilgrimagepeople.org or call 0800 6123423.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

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

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 27 6.30pm Vincent Cruywagen RIP
Mon 29 10.00am Diego Pinto RIP
Tue 30 7.30am Bridie Enright RIP
10.00am James P. Brown RIP
6.30pm Dced Members of the Hall Family RIP
Wed 31 7.30am George Achow RIP
10.00am Annemarie RIP
6.30pm Dced Members of the Roche Family RIP
Thu 1 7.30am Martin Enright RIP
10.00am Christopher Cooper RIP
6.30pm Electa Almeida Ints.
Fri 2 7.30am Ilma Tong RIP
10.00am Tim Almeida RIP
6.30pm Dced Members of the McKenna Fam.RIP
Sat 3 7.30am Electa & Eloide Almeida Ints.
10.00am Christopher Cooper RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Roger Hewett

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Maria Rozycki Ross, Pat Moles, Anna Butler, Sr Campion O'Hagan OSU, Rory O'Brien

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 £2,115 in loose plate giving and £500 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,615. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 31st May The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday 1st June St Justin, Martyr, Memorial

Friday 2nd June Ss Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs

Saturday 3rd June St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs, Memorial

EXPOSITION

Sundays: 3.00 - 4.00pm

(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 Mass VIII
O Rex Gloriam, Luca Marenzio
Tantum ergo, Anton Bruckner

Organ: *Te Deum Op II*, Jeanne Demessieux (1921-1968; one of the few women organist/composers to gain the recognition they deserve)

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

Youth Minister: Pat Ryan 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 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.