**Offertory Collections**

**Sunday 16th March 2014**

**Envelopes**: £454.33

**Loose**: £427.37

**Standing Orders** £670.25 (Mar./Week)

*Your generosity* enable *us to pay the parish bills. Thank you!*

**JUST MOVED in to the PARISH?**

Welcome. Please register by completing a registration form from the office.

**PLANNED GIVING (OFFERING)**

It is deciding how much of your income to regularly give to the work of your Parish. This will help us **budget** for the years ahead.

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Parish Priest: Fr. Gideon Wagay

Sr Naomi office hours: Monday10:00-12:00,13:00-16:00

**Parish Office opening times for Admin**

**Tuesday, Thursday & Friday : 9:30am- 3:00pm.**

**STANDING ORDER**

It is not always possible to attend Mass in your own parish every week, like when you’re on holiday. The most effective way to give is via a standing order from your bank account. All you need to do is fill in our Planned Giving Form, sign it, and return it to the office.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2014**  **Gift Aid?**  **It’s worth it!**

It is important to **gift aid** your offering to the church (envelopes or standing order). This means that the government will top up your offering by 25p for every £1. at no extra expense to you, the giver. You have to be a UK taxpayer to qualify and you have to fill in a declaration form. For more information, please call the office or ask Fr. Gideon.

#### **The Voice of Eden Grove**

**Church of the**

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**



**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**23rd MARCH 2014**

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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| **Sunday 23rd March**  ***THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT*** | **(6.00pm**  **Sat. Vigil Mass)**  **8:30 AM**  **10:15 AM**  **12:00 PM** | **Merces Novais de Castro (ints)**  **Confirmation Mass of Commitment**  **Beryl Genovese R.I.P (Anniv)**  **For the Parish**  **Ted Wood – R.I.P** |
| **Monday 24th March**  Lent Feria | 9:15am Mass | Mrs Mary Jordan - R.I.P |
| **Tuesday 25th March** | No Mass |  |
| **Wednesday 26th March**  Lent Feria | 9:15am Mass | Theresa Brandford – Intentions |
| **Thursday 27th March**  Lent Feria | 9:15am Mass | Joseph De Souza – R.I.P |
| **Friday 28th March**  Lent fast day | 9:15am Mass  7:00pm Stations of the Cross | Peter Mc Cann – R.I.P |
| **Saturday 29nd March**  **Lent Feria** | 11 – 12 noon  **6:00pm:**  **(Sat. Vigil Mass)** | *Confession or by appointment*  Marie Louis (ntentions). |
| **Sunday 30th March**  **Fourth Sunday**  **of Lent** | **8:30 AM**  **10:15 AM**  **12:00 PM** | **Agatha Xuerev R.I.P**  **Gloria Cabuhal R.I.P(Anniv)**  **Mary Gill – R.I.P** |

***‘GROWING IN FAITH’***

You have heard me speak about ***Growing in Faith*** at Masses and by now I hope one of our parish volunteers has called to answer any questions you may have. You can see ***Growing in Faith*** is important for our Diocese and for our parish and that your support is needed.

Here at The Church of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus the ***Growing in Faith*** Campaign continues to receive generous support from many parishioners. To date, our parish has already raised pledges of more than £100.000 towards our goal of £200.000. If you have decided to support ***Growing in Faith,*** we want to be able to count your commitment and to ensure your gift is recorded properly, so we ask that you please complete a pledge form after Mass today.

We are now approaching the final stage of ***Growing in Faith***. We plan to complete our efforts next weekend. Our goal has been to receive an informed decision from everyone in the parish and to date we have done well in reaching the majority of parishioners. However, for those we were unable to reach but who still wish to support ***Growing in Faith*** they will have the opportunity to join the campaign during Mass that weekend. To ensure we can have a ***youth worker***, we hope to receive many more gifts and pledges.

Everyone is being invited to consider joining the campaign at a level appropriate to them so that together we can achieve great things for our present and future generations. Not everyone will join ***Growing in Faith*** and we wouldn’t expect this.

Praying for the success of the campaign is just as important as considering your decision about making pledge. Thank you.

Fr. Gideon

Paris Priest

**LEARNING FOR EVERYONE**

.  **Human and Faith Development: From Childhood to Adulthood**

On the12th April 2014, at 10am-1pm. VENUE: Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, London, SW1P 1QN. This will be an interactive teaching and learning day for all interested in their personal faith development and those who teach adults and children. Please always book in advance to attend a session by email: ivingfaith@rcdow.org.uk

**VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS** (18-40) on Friday 28 March, 7-9pm in the Hinsley Room next to Westminster Cathedral. Two recently ordained Jesuit deacons will be reflecting on Chapter 2 of Pope Francis' Evangelii Gaudium For more info, contact Fr Richard at [richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk)

**A** **DAY WITH MARY**

Our Lady of Lourdes Acton High Street, W3 on Saturday 29th March, from 9:30am – 5:00pm

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Every Friday of Lent at 7:00pm

**NEW!! MONDAY MORNING COFFEE**

After 9:15am Mass, for parents/carers and toddlers (but everyone welcome). In the meeting room, starting on 17th March.

**NEW!! PRAYER GROUP FOR LENT**

**Using the ancient method of ‘Lectio Divina’, deepen your relationship with God. Weds. 26th March, 2, 9, 16 April at 7:30pm in the Meeting Room.**

**GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK**

’40 Days for Life’ Half-Way Event! Please join us at Ealing Abbey Hall on Tuesday the 25th March at 7pm for an evening of prayer, brilliant pro-life speakers and refreshments. For more information please see http://40daysforlife.com/london-ealing.html. All are welcome.

**BAPTISM:** Babies are usually baptised in the first 6 months of life. To book a baptism for your child, please contact the parish priest or Sr. Naomi. Parents of the child must be **registered** members of the parish. At least one parent or guardian of the child needs to supply us with their Catholic baptismal certificate and the child’s birth certificate. Parents and god parents need to attend some baptism preparation beforehand.

**Next parents’ and godparents’ meeting Tuesday 20th May at 7.30, meeting room.**

**MARRIAGE:**

Six months’ notice must be given for marriage, whether here or elsewhere. The parish which you are a resident has to do preparation and paperwork. Couples considering marriage should speak to the priest well in advance. Please send an email for an appointment: [holloway@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:holloway@rcdow.org.uk)

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2013-14**

The next children’s session is on 6th April. Please arrive promptly at 10:15am.

The next parents’ meeting (without the children) will be on Wednesday, 30th April 7:00pm-8:00pm.

**CONFIRMATION 2014**

The next candidates’ event will be the cake sale in aid of charity on Sunday 30th after the 10:15 and 12:00 Masses.

The Confirmation Retreat will be on Sunday 6th April at St Aloysius Church, Phoenix Road, Euston, starting at 12:00 and ending at 6:00. All must attend!

**MAKE FRIENDS WITH CONFESSION**

If childhood experiences keep you away from this beautiful sacrament, come for a group chat with Sr Naomi, Weds 26th March at 11am or 6pm, in the meeting room. A great way to prepare for Easter.

**NEW PARISH WEBSITE**

[**www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk**](http://www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk)

**Please do not confuse it with the old website’s address which is now defunct:**

[**www.sacredheartchurchholloway.co.uk**](http://www.sacredheartchurchholloway.co.uk)

**KOLBE’S GIFT**

**1st -5th October 2013 at Leicester Theatre**

See poster in porch. To book, visit [www.kolbesgift.com](http://www.kolbesgift.com) or

phone the theatre box office on 08448 733433

**RETROUVAILLE:**

Offers a lifeline to troubled marriages. Backed by prayer, this programme has healed and turned around thousands of marriages on the brink of collapse and even brought divorced couples back together again.

The next programme starts on the 27th – 29th September 2013. Don’t miss this lifeline if your marriage is painful – visit: [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) or email [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk) or call or text 0797 388 0443 in complete confidence.

**CONFIRMATION PHOTOS**

Photographs and CDs from Confirmation of June 15 2013 are now available. View albums and Order forms in the parish office. Also for further information you can contact photographer 07976 747 901 or email justinpip@yahoo.com

**Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM)**

meets on the 1st Sunday of the month after the 12:00 Noon Mass. All mothers are welcome.

**We ask for your charitable prayers for those who are sick, recently deceased and those whose anniversaries are at this time.**

**For the sick and the housebound:**

Eileen Ely, Taliah Sampson, Margaret Lonergan, Helen Bradley, Betty McMahon, Stephanie Enepi, Clive Bromhill, Agnes Alexander, John Breslin, Margaret Deignan, Michael Cole, Diana Johnson, Cedric Cowell, Alison McGoff, Michael Barber, Tanya Ba Obeid, Florence McGrath, Chris Eisen, Jim Spencer, Margaret Hughes, Mary Egan, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Peter Finn, Myrtle Hughes, Lillian Appino, Nessa Healy, Anne Franklin, Mary Morrissey, James McNamara, Patrick Enright, Ernie Fisher, Erin Connor, Julia White, Edwina Toson, Elizabeth Young, Pascal Philgence, Jennifer Blundell, Pauline Hunt, Anne Nicolas, ***and******all who are sick and housebound in the parish.***

**Anniversaries**:

Beryl Genovese, Gloria Cabuhal, Mary Gill, Vincent Fitzpatrick, Joseph De Souza, Kevin O’Brien, Nicholas Gordon De Nobrega ,Eddie Gorman, Peter Price, Margaret Lonergan, Michael Ginty, Bill Devereux, John O’Rourke, John Danquah, Ann Rainsford, Bill Nevin,

**Please Pray for the Recently Dead:** Anthony Mulvey, Madeleine Allen, Monica Devereux, Celia Donovan, Mary Noolan, Peter Sheridan, Jeanette Caruana, Kathleen Rainsford, Kitty Magner, Derrick Dick, Mary Hefferman, Maureen Bellemy, Alf Dorrington, Peter Augustine, Rita Burdis, John McCormack, Joseph McRedmond, Sean Enright, Brian Wright, Roy Lundy, Lisa McKenna, Michael Joseph L’Estrange, Nancy Doyle, Joseph David, Claire Campbell, Mark Griffin, Tony Rooney, John Murphy,

“*Eternal rest* grant unto them Lord, and let your light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**MUSINGS**

At first, the Samaritan woman probably wished that she had stayed at home. And yet Catherine of Siena (1347-80) once advised that we should never look at ourselves by ourselves- this can lead to disappointment and even despair. Instead, we should look at ourselves in the company of Christ. While this may still lead us to recognise what is damaging within ourselves and what needs to be transformed, nevertheless, it also leads, ultimately to hope. For Catherine, knowledge of self and knowledge of God (and his goodness) are inextricable ‘just as the fish is in the sea and the sea is in the fish’. @intercom

**RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION**

The way we adults receive Holy Communion teaches children how precious this gift is. Please be reminded that the Body of Christ should be consumed with reverence as soon as it is received and not taken away.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2014-15**

Please collect your new box of envelopes at the back of the church. The names on the boxes are arranged in alphabetical order.

**THE CALIX SOCIETY**

Supports Catholics in recovery from addiction. Groups meet in different locations around London. For more information go to: [www.calixlondon.org.uk](http://www.calixlondon.org.uk)

**RETROUVAILLE**

Helping couples find each other again. The next programme commences with a weekend on 28th-30th March 2014- we are already taking bookings for it- and full information can be found on [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) or

Email: info@retrouvaille.org.uk

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS**

Meets on the 1st Sunday of the month after the 12:00noon Mass. All mothers are welcome.

**CHURCH CLEANING**

We need new volunteers .We need teams, so the commitment is once a month for about an hour. Please contact Juliana: 07960541286

**ConnectEd**

**(Delivered by Catholic Children Society)**

Therapeutic Services for Children &Families – provide professional, easy to access and confidential therapy support for Children, young people and their families.

Services are free for low income. Contact ConnectEd North to find out how they can helpon: tel. **020 8883 7826**

**Or See poster in porch for more info.**

**“DAY FOR LIFE”**

In a special message to Catholics across Britain and Ireland for the annual Day for Life, Pope Francis has emphasised the need to care for life from conception to natural end.

In his message, he says that all life has inestimable value ‘even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.’

He has promised his prayers that ‘Day for Life will help to ensure that human life always receives the protection that it is due.’

Over half-a-million leaflets have been sent to parishes in England and Wales in readiness for Day for Life – Sunday, 28 July.

The theme of the Day is ‘Care for Life – It’s Worth It’ taken from a homily preached by Cardinal Bergoglio in 2005 during a Mass in honour of the protector of Pregnant Women, Saint Raymond Nonnatus.

Within this homily, the now Pope Francis said:

“All of us must care for life, cherish life, with tenderness, warmth… to give life is to open (our) heart, and to care for life is to (give oneself) in tenderness and warmth for others, to have concern in my heart for others.

“Caring for life from the beginning to the end. What a simple thing, what a beautiful thing… So, go forth and don’t be discouraged. Care for life. It’s worth it.”

This year’s Day for Life focuses on care for unborn children and their mothers; care for people who are elderly and care for those who are suicidal and their families.

One of its key aims is to build an environment of compassion and care that nurtures and sustains life, even in the most challenging of human events and personal circumstances.

**Message from Pope Francis to Catholics in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales**

“Calling to mind the teaching of Saint Irenaeus that the glory of God is seen in a living human being, the Holy Father encourages all of you to let the light of that glory shine so brightly that everyone may come to recognise the inestimate value of all human life.

Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.

**COLLECTION BOX for the**