#### **NEWSLETTER**



 **Church of the**

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

**Offertory Collections**

**Sunday 17 August 2014**

**Envelopes: £423.38**

**Loose: £245.08**

**Standing Orders £659.50** (July./Week)

*Your generosity enables 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.

 **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.

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Parish Office opening times for Admin

 **(Office closed in August, email us for queries**.

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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| **24th August****21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**  |  **(6.00pm** **Sat. Vigil Mass)****8:30 AM****11:00 AM** | **John Francis Enright R.I.P Anniversary****Mrs O’Leary R.I.P****Martin, Sarah & Eileen McAndrew R.I.P (Anniversaries)** |
| **25th August Monday**St Joseph Calasanz | 10:00 am Mass  | Maisie Mc Kinney R.I.P |
| **26th August Tuesday**  | No Mass |  |
| **27th August Wednesday** St Monica | 9:15 am Mass  | Geraldine Ennis R.I.P. |
| **28th August Thursday**St Agustine | 9:15 am Mass  | Deirdre Angland R.I.P. |
| **29th August Friday** The Passion of St John the Baptist | 9:15 am Mass | Private Intention. |
| **30th August Saturday** Blessed Virgin Mary  | **6:00pm** **(Sat. Vigil Mass)**  | **Frank Gallagher R.I.P** |
| **31st August****22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  | **8:30 AM****11:00 AM** | **Michael Hannon R.I.P****Tommy Meeres** |

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

 **24th August 2014**

**Why are we here?**

*‘Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value’* Albert Einstein

How easy it is to lose our way. Business people who start out with a great idea can sometimes become overly focused on money and lose sight of their passion. Politicians who start out young and idealistic can become disillusioned or corrupt. Teachers may become overly focused on exams and success and forget their enthusiasm for their subject. It is all too easy to get caught up in rules and regulations, and forget to take a step back and ask ourselves: why are we here?

The Church, too, can lose its way. Over its history, we know the Church has not always lived up to its great responsibility to communicate God’s love to the world.

Today’s reading are an interesting mix as we reflect on our Church and its mission. The Gospel passage is often seen as reference to the origins of the Church and the papacy, as Jesus hands Peter ‘the keys of kingdom of heaven’. But look what Jesus ask him just before this: ‘Who do you say I am?’ Everything we do as Church should come back to this question – who do you say that Jesus is?

Lest we get too sure of ourselves, the Second Reading remind us: ‘Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? ...All that exist comes from him; all is by him and from him’. Everything come from God, and everything we do should be for God. @ Intercom

*‘The Church has sometimes locked itself up in small things, in small minded rules. Ministers of the Church must be ministers of mercy above all.’ Pope Francis*

 Gifts collected on 10th &17th August for persecuted Christians and Yasedis in Iraq through the Aid to the Church in Need (ACN): £728.60

**TRAINING FOR PARISH CATECHISTS:**

**2nd and 9th September: 7:30-9:00pm Preparing Children for First Holy Communion,** here at Sacred Heart. This training is also open to prospective catechists in other parishes. If you are interested in becoming a catechist, but cannot attend this training, please speak to Sr Naomi.

**MISSION APPEAL 23rd/24th August 2014**

The Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver will be here on 23rd/24th August to appeal on behalf of the Sisters Missions Committee of England and Wales. They will tell us about their missionary work and will be grateful for your support.

**DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR CHURCH HELPERS 27TH SEPTEMBER.**

Bishop John Crowley will be giving a Day of Retreat for all who help in the church in any way. Please note the date in your diary, and make sure Sr Naomi knows your name. Invitations will be distributed later.

 **MORNING ALPHA**

*You are warmly invited to this course!*

*The course enriching the lives of Christians and non-Christians in 169 countries. Pope Francis loves it, so does the Archbishop of Caterbury, so do bishops, pastors, ministers around the world.* **At 2 Lauderdale Road East Finchley N2 9LU, 9:30-11:30am on 10 Wenesdays from October 8. No charge, just optional food donation. Chaplain: Fr. Terry Tastard.**

Numbers are limited, so please register with: Peter Kraushar peterkrau@aol.com

020 8883 4736.

 **THE DOWRY OF MARY PILGRIMAGE**

**Walsingham Sunday 7th September 2014. Led by Bishop Alan Holeps, Bishop of East Anglia.**

  **MUSINGS**

Our Psalm today recall the yearnings of the Jewish people for Zion (Jerusalem) during their period of exile in Babylon after the destruction of the temple in 597BC. Their captors mockingly ask them to sing one of ’Zion’s songs’. But it is not easy to find the heart to sing while living on foreign soil. Let’s remember all our emigrants today, many of whom have relocated abroad simply out of necessity. ‘ I haven’t seen my family in over two years’, one Irish immigrant in Australia remarked, ‘we try to Skype as much as possible, but sometimes you would just love to give your loves ones back home a big hug and be hugged back. @Intercom

**IN CASE YOU ARE ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL**

In light of data protection please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you

**STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?**

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don’t know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This programme has helped 6,000 couples who were experiencing difficulties in their marriage in the past year. For confidential information about or to register for the programme commencing with a residential weekend on 19th -21st Sept 2014, the email info@retrouvaille.org.uk ; call or text 0797 338 0443 or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

 **DIVINE MERCY DAY OF PRAYER**

Intercession for the peace in Syria, Iraq, The Holy Land, Lebanon, Egypt, Jordan, Turkey &all the Middle East:

 **WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL**

 **Saturday October 4th 2014**

 **9:30am to 3:45pm**

Led by Mgr. Keith Barltrop, Fr. Shafiq Abouzayd, & Fr. Charbel El-Assi LMO in the welcome and generous presence of Archbishop Samir Nassar, the Maronite Archbishop of Damascus.

**“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.

**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:**

Barbara Baptiste, Helen Bradley, Zenaida Yambao, June Bismire, Rosa Nocholla, Florence Collins, Cedic Cowell, Margaret Mulroy, Eileen Ely, Margaret Lonergan, Ashia Darr, Eileen Lucas, Tanya Obid, Alison McGoff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Chris Eisen, Diana Johnson, Edwina Toson, Charlie Crane, Ben and Margaret Deignan, Mary Morrisey, Stephanie Enepi, Michael Collins.

 ***and******all who are sick and housebound in the parish.***

 **Anniversaries**:

John Francis Enright, Martin, Sarah, and Eileen McAndrew, Maria Assumption Turner, Tayo Ero, Daniel Hagan, Teresa Ferguson, Keith Potter, Mary Heffernan, Bridie Gorman, Nora O’Reilly, George Johnson, Elizabeth Ellis, May Johnson, Eugene O’Keefe, Pierre Imbert, Martin Mc Carthy., Mary O’Neill, John Rainsford, Barney Doherty, Kevin O’Brien, Columbus Itoya Iyayi.

**Please Pray for the Recently Dead:**

Vicki Ibanez, Margaret Reynolds, Tish Smith, Luis Morales, Esther L, Hilda Camozzi, Ryan Grey, Keith Harding, Tanya Page, Teresa Rooney Maher, Henry Dolan, Eduard Donnelly, Madeleine Allen, Monica Devereux, Jerry Murtagh

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

 **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)

**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 of the child needs to supply us with their Catholic baptismal certificate and the child’s birth certificate. Parents and godparents must attend some baptism preparation beforehand.

The next parents’ and godparents’ meeting will be in the Autumn( date to be confirmed).

**MARRIAGE**

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

 **ENQUIRERS’ GROUP**

**Want to know more about the Catholic Church?**

If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic; or you would like to be confirmed; or you would just like to know more about your faith, this group is for you. See Sr. Naomi.

**SUMMER MASS TIME SCHEDULE**

As usual, during summer-time, we will have a revised Mass schedule on Sundays. From Sunday 20th July until Sunday 31st August, Sunday Masses will be at 6:00pm (Sat. Vigil) 8:30am and 11:00am only.

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS**

 (UCM) Meets on the 1st Sunday of the month after the 12:00Noon Mass. All mothers are welcome. Next meeting will be in autumn.

 **A DAY WITH MARY**

Saturday 6 September from 10:00 am to 5:30pm at Our Lady Lodge Road. , St John Wood, NW8 8LA.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

From Tuesday 12 August, Elizabeth, the parish administrator will be away for summer holidays. If you have any urgent query, please email **holloway@rcdow.org.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 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.

**COLLECTION BOX for the**