

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 21st Jan 2018.

Envelopes: Weekly £304.56

Loose: £411.05

Standing Orders £892, 75 (Dec/week)

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

Text Giving- is quick and easy way to make donation towards the upkeep and running costs at Sacred Heart. Just text "PARISH HOLLO" to this number: 70800, to donate £5 automatically. This amount will be added to your phone bill.

For online giving, please go to:
www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk
and click **support**. Thank you.

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.

Are you on our GIFT AID list yet?

It is *important* to **gift aid** your offering to the church (whether Sunday envelopes or through standing order). This means that the government will top up your offering by **25p for every £1** at no extra cost 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 Elizabeth in the office.

CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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



**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
28th January 2018**

Racial Justice Sunday 2018 - Belonging: All are Welcome

On this day Catholics are called to pray for those who experience unjust discrimination or are marginalised because of their race and ethnicity. We think in particular of those who feel they do not belong within our society or our communities because of this discrimination.

As Catholics we are asked to treat all humans with dignity, regardless of their background or circumstance. There are many stories of alienation throughout the Bible, with clear calls to "Love the stranger". That the Church is a place where all belong is clearly seen in the recent Feast of Epiphany, when Christ is revealed not only to the Israelites, but to all of God's people.

All the money raised will go towards supporting the Church's work on racial justice issues. The theme this year is "Belonging", emphasising that we are called not only to ensure our parishes welcome newcomers, strangers, and those from different backgrounds, but also that all people will know they will find a welcome in our parishes.

PRAYER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE

O God, Who created all people in Your Holy Image, Who loves the stranger, Who cares for the downtrodden, Walk with those who face discrimination, protect them from harm help them see Christ in our community. Guide those who fan the fires of discrimination to open their eyes to the beauty of all your creation and respect the human dignity of all people. Open our hearts to those who face hatred and injustice because of their race, their background, their ethnicity that we might better help them belong. Through Christ Our Lord, Amen

You will find a prayer-card at the back of the church, please take one and pray in family.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

28th January 2018	6:00 pm Sat. <i>Vigil Mass</i>	For the Parish
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Today Second Collection-Racial Justice)	8:30 am Mass	Helena Bolotny R.I.P
	11:00 am Mass	John Joe Ferguson – R.I.P - Anniversary
29 th January Monday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Fr. Alan Ashton R.I.P
30 th January Tuesday Feria	No Mass	
31 st January Wed. St John Bosco	9:15 am Mass	Edwina Machado – R.I.P
1 st February Thursday. Feria	11:00 am Mass Funeral Mass	Brian Mpunga R.I.P
2 nd February Friday The Presentation of the Lord	9:15 am Mass	Overcoming Addiction
3rd February Saturday. Ss. Laurence, Dunstan and Theodore	11:00- 12:00 noon	<i>Confessions</i>
	6:00 pm <i>Vigil Mass</i>	Michael Crowley R.I.P
4th February 2018 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Mass	Grady and Coughlan – Families - Intentions
	11:00 am Mass	Kathleen Duffy –R.I.P

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:

Edgar and Josefina Losa, Keith Hunt, Baby Michael James Elliot, Maria Louis, Crystal Green, Dolores Crowley, Helena Bolotny, Ludvinia King, Justino Villegas, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, John Regan, Rosa Santos, Tom Kelly, Mary Wong, Michael Bailey, Ada Bacarini, Eillen Graham, Martine Rainsford, Christopher Fradley, Edwina Toson, Charlie Crane, Nora Harkin, Eileen Ely, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison Mc Goff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Ben & Margaret Deignan, Mary Morrissey, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries: Teresa Kennelly, Thomas Bernardo, John Joe Ferguson, Gerry Johnson, Sean Dolan, Claudio Rigolli, Ykaloo Michael, Mezaha Tesfu, Rosa Nicholas, Gilberto Ero, Michael Costin, Eddie and Bridie Gorman, John O'Roarke, Josefina Miller.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Thomas Clarke, Helena Bolotny, Veronica Manning, Patrick Hayes, Brian Mpunga, Ellen Howard, Nora Fitzgerald, Margaret Kinsella, Sheila Connolly, Sheila Lasok, Lucy Ugoala.

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

Active Membership of the Parish is determined by the following criteria: being properly registered for a sufficient period of time; faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days; use of the planned giving system (envelope or bank standing order) in regular support of the parish.

CHOIR PRACTICE is usually on **Thursdays @ 8:00pm** at the Parish house. The day however, is movable depending on the availability of most members. Please ask Peggy for more details. Everyone welcome

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Babies are usually baptised in the first **6 months** after birth. To book a baptism for your child, please contact the parish office. Parents of the child must practice their faith and registered members of the parish. At least one parent of the child and the godparent must supply us with their **Catholic baptismal certificate** and the child's **birth certificate**. Parents and godparents **must** attend a baptismal preparation meeting beforehand.

The next preparation course for Baptism will take place in the parish at 7:00 pm on Monday 19th and Friday 23rd February 2018. Parents and godparents need to attend both days.

MARRIAGE

Six months' notice must be given, even if you're marrying elsewhere to gather and process the paper work. Please contact Fr. Gideon. To make an appointment email: holloway@rcdow.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2017-2018

Next session is on Sunday 4th February at 9:30 am. Please bring your child on time. Reminder: next First Holy Communion for parents will be on Wednesday 21st Feb at 7pm.

SACRAMENTS: Please keep in your prayers our children preparing for First Holy Communion and also our youth preparing to be confirmed and those being baptised as well as their families and also our adult parishioners who will be joining our Catholic family this Easter.

Brian Mpunga's Funeral Mass

Brian Mpunga's funeral Mass will be celebrated here, at Sacred Heart Church this Thursday 1st February at 11:00 a.m

Lent Faith Sharing: Please join us on Fridays during Lent for Stations of the Cross followed at 7.30pm with our Lent Faith Sharing Group. First session 16th Feb. All welcome!!!

Children's missals

Thanks to a kind donation, new children's missals are available at the back of the church for children to use during Mass. Please take and return the books from the shelf at the back of the church.

DONATIONS NEEDED:

Do you have any spare toys, children's books and DVDs (all ages) related to the Catholic faith that are in good condition? We would be grateful for your donations for children to use for catechesis etc.

Please leave in the box at the back of the church or hand in to the parish office. Thank you to the kind family who have already donated a number of books for young children to use during Mass to help them participate more fully.

Calling Catholic Teachers

The Diocese of Westminster Education Service is hosting an evening to engage with Catholic teachers and leaders currently working outside of Catholic education.

We will also provide an opportunity to register for a mentoring programme for those who wish to be accompanied and supported on their journey in to Catholic school leadership positions.

6th February 2018 at 6.30 - 8pm

Vaughan House, Francis St, Lon.SW1P 1QN
Register intention to attend at eduemc@rcdow.org.uk

SPEC are looking for young people enthusiastic about their faith and willing to share it with others, to spend a year living in community with other people their age; in return they receive formation in the faith, training in youth work, experience living in community. For information, email spec@rcdow.org.uk or call 0203 757 2503.

A series of 4 talks on A Biblical Journey through the Mass by Brian Purfield

The Mass is the centre of our faith. We celebrate it every day. We know all the responses and all the gestures. But do we know what it all means? In this short course we will take a tour of the liturgy and explore the biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience in the liturgy and reflect on their profound significance. It is hoped that this will help to renew our faith and deepen our love for and devotion to the Eucharist.

Dates: 20th Feb, 28th Feb, 24th Apr, 21st May
Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Venue: Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN

Suggested donation: £4.00 - Registration is required. Email: livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk

SEEING YOUR LIFE - Mark 1:21-28

THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

1. In this first chapter Mark familiarises his readers with the type of things Jesus did to proclaim the kingdom, the reign of God. Our passage today touches on two of these, the first being that 'he taught as one having authority'. It makes a difference when you listen to someone who is clearly speaking from experience and personal knowledge. Remember people who impressed you in this way.

2. Jesus combined teaching with healing, and he drove the evil spirit out of the man. The power of God that worked this wonder through Jesus is also at work in and through us today. When have you been freed from some bad habit?

3. The evil spirit convulsed the man before it left him. The path to liberation can be a painful struggle. If you have found it so, who was the Jesus person that helped you through the struggle to freedom?

4. It is not only individuals but groups that can be struggling with an evil spirit – jealousy, rivalry, malicious gossiping, abuse of power, etc. Sometimes a Jesus person comes into the group and drives out that evil spirit. Have you experienced this? Perhaps you yourself have been this person on some occasion?

John Byrne OSA@Intercom

Message from Nali (New Catechetical Coordinator at the parish): Thank you for the warm welcome I have received. I look forward to getting to know you all further in the coming months ahead. Thank you to all the catechists from the various groups for our meetings etc- We have some exciting times ahead! God bless, Nali.

Can you spare an hour and a half once a month? If so, join the team of cleaners for the church, they're looking for new members. Please call Juliana on 07960 541286.

Liturgy of the Word for Children

We are very happy to invite children who are 4 to 8 years old or who are at school in Reception to year 3; to participate on Sunday at 11:00 am Mass, in the 'Liturgy of the Word with Children'. Unfortunately, due to limited resources, we are not able to invite younger or older kids to the Children's Liturgy.