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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

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

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

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 19th January 2020**

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

19th January Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass	Mc Elroy Family – Intentions Ruxton Family – intentions
	8:30 am Mass	Farrel Davidson R.I.P Carol Trim R.I.P Janice Davidson R.I.P
	11:00 am Mass	Jeremiah Kennelly R.I.P - Anniv
20 th January Monday St Sebastian	9:15 am Mass	Holy Souls
21 st January Tuesday	No Mass	
22 nd January Wednesday St Vincent	9:15 am Mass	Aggie Courtney - Intentions
23 rd January Thursday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Marie Hester - Intentions
24 th January Friday St Francis de Sales	9:15 am Mass	Michael Walsh – R.I.P
25th January Saturday The Conversion of St Paul Apostle	6:00 pm-Vigil Mass	<i>11:00-12:00 noon Confessions</i> Margaret Lonergan R.I.P Anniv.
26th January Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (THE WORD OF GOD)	8:30 am Mass	Xavier & Ann – Anniv.
	11:00 am Mass	Stephen Collins – R.I.P John Joe Ferguson R.I.P - Anniv

The Deep – The Lamb of God

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist is inviting us to *look* at Jesus. He calls Jesus the '*lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world*'. We say these words often at mass and today we are invited to meditate on them more closely. What does it mean? In Jesus' time, two lambs were sacrificed in the Temple in Jerusalem each day. It was a ritual that invoked purity. Jesus will preach a love that is radical for many, in a world that was, and still is, broken. John refers to Jesus as the *lamb* as he knows that if one loves in such a way, they will suffer at the hands of unjust systems and institutions.

When we look at the 'sins' of our world today – broken relationships, crisis, can we also see those who, like Jesus, 'take away' the sins of the world? Christ's love was not passive, he actively challenged systems that were oppressive and which prevented people from living life to the full. Whether it be the climate crisis or the homelessness crisis or any number of issues we face, '*look*' where Jesus walks and is actively working to ease this suffering. When we hear these words at mass, let us be reminded of all those who sacrifice much to ease the sufferings of others. This is Christ, the 'lamb of God' active in our world today.

'The descent into the waters of our spirit, is a journey into the presence of divinity ... all human beings are children of God but not all live in the awareness that there is 'that of God' within them' W.L. Wallace JaneMallett@Intercom

Today is Peace Sunday

Pax Christi works across England & Wales with a small team to promote the Gospel message of peace through outreach work, peace education in schools, presence on social media and the production of well-respected resources.

Your help is essential. Please consider supporting the work of Pax Christi. We are having a second collection today. Thank you for your generosity. For more information go to www.paxchristi.org.uk

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"We are a welcoming, nourishing living parish, inspired by the Sacred Heart to serve and radiate this love to all."

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:

Maria Louise, Mary Ryan, Angeles Wong, Tony Reilly, Mary Egan, Colman Connelly, Catherine Wright, Mario Marshall, Ngozi Elong, Lily de Nobrega, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne, Keith Hunt, Crystal Green, Ludvinia King, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, Rosa Santos, Tom Kelly, Bridie Prior, Mary Wong, Michael Bailey, Kathy Bailey, Ada Bacarini, Eillen Graham, Martine Rainsford, Christopher Fradley, Edwina Toson, Charlie Crane, Nora Harkin, Eileen Ely, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison McGoff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen, and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries

John Joe Ferguson, Xavier & Ann, Margaret Lonergan, Claudio Rigolli, Sean Dolan, Mary Krzemieniewski, Peter, Nora and Michael Ginty, Brian Mpunga, Pascal McDaid, Michael Dolan, Martin McCarthy.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Bernadette James, Maria Salerno, John Behm, John DeWitt, Charlie Estrada, Br Kilian Keaney, Ben & Margaret Deignan, Mossie, O'Riordan.

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

SACRAMENTS

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

BAPTISM (Child)

Have you got a child for Baptism? Please call Elizabeth, the parish secretary in the parish office, on 0207 607 3594 on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays between 9:30am and 3:00pm. Or email: holloway@rcdow.org.uk

Baptism or Confirmation of an Adult

R.C.I.A.

Our RCIA programme is underway. We invite you to pray for all of those who are taking part on it. The next meeting with Fr. Bogdan is on Thursday 6th February at 7:30 pm.

CONFIRMATION 2020

The first session for the Confirmation candidates will be on Thursday 30th January at 7:00 pm. Sessions will take place in the Parish classroom.

Save the Date: Saturday 15th February will be a day of reflection for the Confirmation Programme. Please make sure you have this day in your diary. Attendance is mandatory.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2019-2020

Next session for the children will be on Saturday 25th January. Punctuality is very important, Please bring your child on time.

Visiting the sick and the housebound –If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like to receive Communion, Please call the parish office as well as the information of the person who wishes to be visited and given communion. They must reside in our parish area

'May the Holy Spirit revive in each of us the call to be courageous and joyful evangelizers' – Pope Francis

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. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme commencing with a residential weekend on **28th, 29th Feb & 1st March 2020**. Call or text 0788 729698 retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Scripture Roadshow

Date: 30th Jan -Time:8:00am - 7:00pm
Venue: Westminster Cathedral, 42 Francis St, Westminster, London SW1P 1QW, UK

Westminster Cathedral is hosting a Scripture Roadshow to explore the Year of the Word with Tents of Meeting which will be set up in side chapels, and view specially commissioned artwork around the theme of 'The God Who Speaks'

Volunteers Needed 2020-

If you would be interested in helping the Parish, this is something to think about in the New Year. We are currently looking for new volunteers in the following areas. Hospitality Group or Ushers (welcoming people as they arrive in the church), Fire marshalls (health and safety) for every Mass church cleaners, handyman for small jobs with some skills in electrics and plumbing (to give advice). Give back something to God and to your community. If interested, please contact Elizabeth in the parish office

The God Who Speaks 2020- has been designated as The Year of the Word. During this year we will be encouraged to delve deeply in to the Word of God, to pray the Scripture and to get to know the Bible a bit better.

Year of the Word - The God who Speaks Meditate

John's mission was to point out Jesus as he walked around. Without him, some people will not have followed, listened or accepted Jesus in their lives. Today Jesus is still present among us, many a times unrecognised by us. How can you point him out to others? Who has presented Jesus to you?

Act

Pray in thanksgiving for the person who has been John the Baptist for you. Think also who you could lead to Christ, pointing out his presence in the events of his /her life.

Family Holiday Club, February Half Term Volunteers Needed!

On **Tuesday 18th February, from 11am-2pm** Caritas Westminster will be running the Blessed Sacrament Family Holiday Club. The club will include lots of fun activities for families to enjoy, followed by a hot nutritious lunch and food to take home and cook together, all for free. Caritas launched their clubs very successfully in October 2019, serving over 400 meals to families. **However, Caritas rely on volunteers to make the clubs happen, so to make sure they can run again in February they really need your help!** If you would be able to volunteer on **Tuesday 18th February, between 9am-3pm at Blessed Sacrament Primary School (N1 0UF)** to support with kids activities, admin, or cooking the lunch please email cfc@rcdow.org.uk or call 020 7931 6077 to let us know. You can also get in touch if you would like to attend the club with your children.