

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 29th Dec 2019 including

Christmas Collection

Envelopes: Weekly £553.02

Loose: £249.73

Christmas Offerings: £1,109.05

Standing Orders £1,123.85 (Nov./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.

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

CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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Parish Office opening times for Admin-

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

+ THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
5th January 2020



MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

5 th January + THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	6:00pm Saturday <i>Vigil Mass</i>	Peter, Nora and Michael Ginty R.I.P Anniversary
	8:30 am Mass	Michael Dolan – R.I.P Anniv
	11:00 am Mass	Mary Krzemieniewski R.I.P Anniversary Denis O’Riordan R.I.P
6 th January Monday Christmas Feria	9:15 am Mass	Edward White R.I.P
7 th January Tuesday	No Mass	
8 th January Wednesday Christmas Feria	10:00 am Mass School Mass	Margaret and Paddy Cooney R.I.P Sacred Heart School at Mass Beginning of Term Mass
9 th January Thursday Christmas Feria	9:15 am Mass	Mary McCarthy - Intentions
10 th January Friday Christmas Feria	9:15 am Mass	Claudio Rigolli R.I.P- Anniversary
11 th January Saturday Christmas Feria	6:00 pm-Vigil Mass	11:00-12:00 noon Confessions Mary, Patsy and Family
12 th January +THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	8:30 am Mass	Sean Dolan R.I.P – Anniversary
	11:00 am Mass	Ben Deignan R. I.P

The Deep – The Wise Men

The Wise Men are known as astrologers or philosophers from the East. They were certainly 'seekers', looking to the skies for signs and guidance; their hearts and minds set on finding God. These Wise Men embarked on an amazing journey, determined.

For Herod, the thought of a new King who might threaten his reign forces him to call together all those considered to have authority on religious matters. He must find out who this King is. Herod is concerned with his power structures; the possibility of a new King is too much. In contrast to this, the Wise Men are humbled before these leaders and genuinely seek to learn from them. They are open. We are told that the sight of the star 'filled them with delight'.

This story has much to say to us today as we 'seek' out new insights or fresh manifestations of God. As the Wise Men go '*into the house the saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage*'. This scene describes a moment of great joy, of grace and is in total contrast to the scene of Herod frantically calling the religious leaders together. God is found in the simple spaces.

The Wise Men represent all peoples, all cultures, a clear message that God is for all regardless of nationality, culture and even faith. Today let us recall our own journeys to moments of epiphany, moments that led to a new grace in our life, a new stage of spiritual growth. What '*star*' had brought us there? What gifts did we leave there? What gifts did we receive?

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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

Claudio Rigolli, Sean Dolan Mary Krzemieniewski ,Peter, Nora and Michael Ginty, Brian Mpunga, Pascal McDaid, Michael Dolan, Martin McCarthy, Louis & Philomena Kalathara, Habte Semharay.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

John DeWitt, ,Charlie Estrada, Br Kilian Keaney, Ben& Margaret Deignan, Mossie, O’Riordan, Al Bearman, Anne Roche.

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 16th January at 7:30 pm.

CONFIRMATION 2020

First parents meeting will be on **Thursday 16th January 2020**. We anticipate that most sessions will be on Thursdays evenings.

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

First session after Christmas holidays will be on Saturday 11th January at 9:30 am.

We are looking forward to seeing you all.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS – the usual practice for Catholic burials is a Funeral Mass in the parish church, burial of the body or cremains (ashes) in the cemetery. Speak with the priest for assistance when death occurs and only deal with a reputable funeral director about pre-arrangements (the priest can also recommend a well-respected Catholic funeral home in the area). Cremains (Ashes) are held in the same respect and reverence as a body and so they should be treated carefully, respectfully, reverentially and buried as soon as possible after Cremation.

Fr. Gideon Writes;

Many thanks to all who helped make the Christmas Masses so beautiful. Many thanks also for your generosity this Christmas.

Thank you to all those who volunteer in order to keep the parish running smoothly throughout the year. As we’ve entered another year I pray that it will be a year of many blessings for everyone in the parish. May God bless and support you and yours at home and away during 2020.

Journeying with the Bible

Fr Javier Ruiz-Ortiz PhD and Sr Monica Cardona PhD are running a series of talks for the Year of the Word on the Bible. The dates and topics are:

- **14th Jan.** 7-8.30pm ‘What do we mean by Bible?’

- **28th Jan** 7-8:30 pm ‘Who speaks in the Bible? To whom does he speak?’ on

- **11th Jan** 7-8:30 pm ‘Where does the Bible come from and when did it take place?’

All will take place at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN. Suggested donation £5. Please register at livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk

International Speaker David Wells at the London Jesuit Centre
FRIDAY 17th JANUARY 2020
JOY-THE INFALLIBLE SIGN OF GOD’S PRESENCE

The liberating virtue of joy is much needed in our world today. Let’s learn about it, reflect upon it, and pray for it. 7-9pm. London Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street London W1K 3AH

Booking on Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/joy-the-infallible-sign-of-gods-presence-tickets-83622809073>

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.

When you go into hospital please tell them when they are taking your details that you are a Roman Catholic and would welcome seeing a priest chaplain or the chaplaincy team when they come around. If you don’t, there is no way the chaplaincy team know you are there. Remember that your spiritual and religious care is just as important as your physical, psychological and social needs.

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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.

Holy Father’s Intention for January
Promotion of World Peace
We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

Diocesan Jobs: For information on vacancies and applications details- www.rcdow.org.uk