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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

CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7th February 2021

The Deep End – Jesus the Healers

In today's Gospel we read about Jesus' first healing in Mark's Gospel. Jesus hears of the illness of the mother of Simon's wife and goes to her. Due to the purity laws of his time this scene would have been considered controversial. His first healing is of a woman and we are told that he touches her, raises her up; he completely restores her to health. Many of his actions here would have been considered inappropriate.

The 'whole city' was crowded around the door as many people wanted to be healed. What a commotion! Jesus, very early on in his ministry is clearly a very popular and attractive figure. Another important aspect of this story is that Jesus does not remain comfortable in this house. He keeps moving, keeps going outward. This requires so much energy and an outpouring of love for those in need. Jesus shows us in today's Gospel what it takes to stay energised for our various ministries: quiet time and space for real encounter with God. Even then, the people hunted for him and said, 'Everyone is searching for you', and still today, everyone is searching.

We too are called to bring healing to others in any way that we can, to those who are seeking, those who are lost, those who are isolated. Jesus shows us that to do this we must be connected to that Divine Presence within us and in our world. Today we can ask ourselves, what do I need healing from? Bring this to Jesus in prayer. And also, how can I reach out, with a healing presence, to others, especially during this time of pandemic?

'I ask God to prepare our hearts to encounter our brothers and sisters, so that we may overcome our differences rooted in political thinking, language, culture and religion. Let us ask him to anoint our whole being with the balm of his mercy, which heals the injuries caused by mistakes, misunderstandings, and disputes. And let us ask him for the grace to send us forth, in humility and meekness, along the demanding but enriching path of seeking peace'. (Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, 254)

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

7th February 2021 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	6:00 (Sat. Vigil Mass) 8:30 am Mass 11:00 am Mass (live-streamed via ZOOM)	Michael and Ann Roarty R.I.P. For the Parish Tom Kelly – R.I.P
8 th February Monday St Josephine Bakhita	9:15 am Mass	Luana Zuluaga - Ints
9 th February Tuesday	12:00 Noon Funeral Mass	Marian Davidson R.I.P
10 th February Wednesday St Scholastica	9:15 am Mass	Holy Souls
11 th February Thursday Our Lady of Lourdes	9:15 am Mass	Rocco Gonella R.I.P
12 th February Friday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Santolo Genovese R.I.P - Anniversary
13th February Saturday Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	6:00pm (Sat. Vigil Mass)	<i>11:00-12:00 noon Confessions and by appointment</i> Rolls and Regina Say- R.I.P
14th February 2021 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Mass 11:00 am Mass (live-streamed Via ZOOM)	Michael Toolan R.I.P - Anniv Derek Turner R.I.P

SACRAMENTS

Some of the following catechetical programmes have been delayed, or the meetings suspended due to pandemic precautions. Hopefully we will begin to offer all these ministries soon.

Government Guidelines during lockdown in celebrating the Sacraments:

The guidelines to date, limit number for funerals to 30 people only regardless of the size of the church. 6 for Baptisms and 15 for Weddings.

In the current situation in the case of funeral Masses, we request you not to attend unless specifically invited by the family of the deceased.

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)

Following the government announcements, Baptisms are suspended until further notice. Please watch this space.

You can email us for more info holloway@rcdow.org.uk

Children's Liturgy of the Word

We are delighted to invite your children (and you, if you like) to attend Children's Liturgy of the Word.

In these times we all need Jesus and we hope and believe that in these Liturgies, your children will feel his loving, comforting and strengthening presence.

When: Every Saturday

Time: 10:30 am, for about 30 min.

Where: Online via Zoom (please go to our website for the link: www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk

Young People's Confirmation

We are working to re-schedule the Mass of Confirmation. You will be contacted once there is a confirmed new date. Benches will be sterilised by the stewards so kindly leave the church immediately after Mass.

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 at home and in hospitals, the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries are at this time...

For the sick and the housebound:

Rachel Kennelly, Ruby Flynn, Marie Dorrian, Sean Christian Elizabeth Feeley, Michael Bradley, Margaret Collins, Esther Joseph, Mary Ryan, Angeles Wong, Tony Reilly, Mary Egan, Colman Connelly, Ngozi Elong, Lily de Nobrega, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne, Brian Conway Crystal Green, Ludvinia King, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, Rosa Santos, Tom Kelly, Bridie Prior, Mary Wong, Michael & Cathy Bailey, Ada Bacarini, Martine Rainsford, Christopher Fradley, Charlie Crane Eileen Ely, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison McGoff, Martin Cooke, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries

Michael & Ann Roarty, Edgar Losa, Attilio Speroni, Helena Bolotna, Sean Dolan, Gilbert Ero, Bana Emmanuel, Mary Boucher, Anne & Cathleen Rainsford, Thomas Baker. **Please Pray for the Recently Dead:** Gareth Bryant, Tom Kelly, Erlinda Holguin, Evelyn Green, Derek Turner, Lea Joseph, Rosa Camacho Roque, Marcial Sta Maria, Ervina Toson, Nancy Morris, Joseph Ward, Amelita Kimpo, Leona Gwin, James Brefo, Eileen Graham, Paolo Paner, Tommy Doherty, Margaret Cooke, Philip Yambao, Anna McDonagh, *Eternal rest grant unto them Lord, and let your light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Winter foodbank -Sacred Heart Community Response.

We are very blessed to count on this generous community.

It is fundamental to recognise that we are all God's children and we are here to help each other.

Please DO come forward for help if you need it or encourage others who might be in need and do not feel ready to ask for support.

If you or someone you know cannot leave the house, we are able to deliver to your doorstep. Just contact us.

A mini foodbank (of basic non-perishable goods)

Next Date: Saturday 13th February.

When: the Second and last Saturday of every month, during winter.

Place: In the parish courtyard.

Time: From 11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Please bring your own carrier bag.

No questions will be asked and only one of the team member of will be present.

WE WILL KEEP IT CONFIDENTIAL

The World Day of the Sick

13 February 2021, 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Cardinal Vincent Nichols will celebrate Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes for the World Day of the Sick.

Mass will be live-streamed only.

Please join the live stream at <https://www.westminstercathedral.org.uk/in dex.php> or

<https://www.churchservices.tv/westminster>

RETOUVAILLE: This programme offers a virtual weekend for couples from 25th-28th February. It is designed to help heal and renew marriages and offer couples the chance to rediscover a loving relationship in their marriage. Find out more by visiting <https://www.retrouvaille.org.uk> or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com

Lens of the Gospel

This passage contains three stories and there is food for thought in each of them.

1. The first story (vv. 29-31) is one of healing. You might reflect on times when you were sick in body, mind or spirit and someone was a 'Jesus person' to you, someone who 'took you by the hand and lifted you up'.

Remember them with gratitude. Have there been times also when you did this for others?

2. The second story (vv. 32-34) adds another dimension. People are freed from demons.

Have you had the experience of being freed from demons that imprisoned you: fear, anxiety, guilt, low self-esteem, addictions, bitterness, etc.? What was it like for you to get that freedom? Who were the 'Jesus people' who helped to free you?

3. The third story (vv. 35-39) has a number of different elements we can consider

a) Jesus goes off to a desert place to pray. After a hectic day he felt the need for quiet to ground himself once more. In the busyness of life how do you keep in touch with what is going on inside yourself? How do you keep in touch with God? Where do you find your 'deserted place'? What difference does it make for you when you do succeed in taking time out?

b) Jesus shows himself as a person seeking to break new ground. The disciples want him to continue ministry where he is. He wants to move on. What has been your experience of breaking new ground, moving beyond your comfort zone, or trying something you had not tried before? When has this had a life-giving effect for you?

THE ROSARY TOGETHER ON WEDNESDAY.

We continue praying the Holy Rosary every Wednesday at 8:30 pm via Zoom.

Meeting ID 744 445

Meeting Pass code: 597446

GIFT AID

Are you a gift aider to this parish? Are you still a taxpayer?

If your circumstances changed during last year, and you stopped being a taxpayer, kindly inform us via email.

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