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Contactless 20 & 21 Nov £ 100

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

For online giving, please go to:

www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk

and click Support.

Parish Bank Account Details.

Account name: WRCDT Holloway

Sorting Code: 40-05-20

Account Number: 71308319

Address: HSBC, 69 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EY

Weekly envelopes can be mailed in or you can drop them in the parish house.

Mailbox outside the parish door.

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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Parish Office opening times for Admin:-

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:30am- 3:00pm (but emails are checked daily)

28th NOVEMBER 2021

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

28th November 2021 First Sunday of Advent	6:00 (Sat. Vigil Mass)	Caterina Speroni R.I.P Mass of Inscription - FHC
	8:30 am Mass	John Danquah R.I.P Anniv.
	11:00 am Mass (live-streamed via ZOOM)	Peter Zolero R.I.P Anniv Philip Yambao R.I.P Anniv
29 th November Monday Advent Feria	9:15 am Mass	Holy Souls
30 th November Tuesday	No Mass	
1 st December Wed. Advent Feria	9:15 am Mass	Patsy Toolan – R.I.P Alan Walsh R.I.P Anniv. Year 6 from School at Mass
2 nd December Thursday Advent Feria	9:15 am Mass	Deceased Members of the Roarty Family
3 rd December Friday St Francis Xavier	9:15 am Mass	Marian O'Reilly R.I.P
4th December Sat. Advent Feria	11:00 -12:00 Noon 6:00pm (Sat. Vigil Mass) Permanent Diaconate-Candidature Mass.	<i>Confessions or by appointment</i> James Brefo R.I.P Anniv. Main Celebrant: Bishop Paul Mc Aleenan
5th December 2021 Second Sunday of Advent	8.30 am Mass 11.00 am Mass (live streamed via ZOOM)	Patrick and Maureen Finnegan R.I.P John Finbow R.I.P Gabriel Samuels R.I.P Anniv Alan Barker R.I.P

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1. We live in a time when we are told that disaster lies ahead for us and for our planet if we do not change our ways. But perhaps this new awareness can be a prelude to us changing our ways? The gospel was written to give hope to Christians in danger. What gives you hope amid the dangers facing our world today?
2. Our church community is also in crisis. The numbers of people attending church services have dropped. We have fewer clergy and religious. Scandals have rocked the church community. What helps you to keep faith in such circumstances?
3. This passage can be taken as a metaphor for personal experiences when it seemed that your world was collapsing around you: plans thwarted, deep disappointment, something out of your control altering the course of your life, etc.? When have such experiences been a prelude to something new? Allow the dramatic language of the passage remind you of this experience, making sure that you recognise the double movement of collapse and liberation.
4. Jesus himself is the model in this gospel story as he taught his disciples the spirituality of 'waiting in joyful hope'. What difference has watchfulness (in the sense of being watchful in prayer) and hope made to you in facing difficult situations?
5. Advent is a time that calls us to be alert to the signs of the hidden presence of God in our world. What reminds you of this presence of God? Have there been occasions when something woke you up in an unexpected way to the presence of God in the world, e.g. through love, beauty, nature, etc.?

CHRISTMAS PARISH RAFFLE

We are still recovering from the financial hit that the Pandemic inflicted on us. If you want to make a Christmas donation to Sacred Heart Church, this will be the time. One of the ways you can help is to buy or help to sell Christmas Raffle tickets. They are now available for collection in the foyer. This year, the envelopes are not labelled. Please collect a set of tickets and help us by selling them to your friends and colleagues. Fantastic prizes which include 2 tickets to the stage musical "FROZEN", courtesy of its leading actor and parishioner, OBI Ugoala.

SACRAMENTS

Some of the following catechetical programmes have been delayed, or the meetings suspended due to pandemic precautions. We are now slowly starting with most of the 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 Due to a change in the law we are no longer able to issue civil marriage certificates for Marriages that took place in our church. These can now be obtained directly from the local Registrar in the Town Hall.

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. Please contact the parish office for further details.

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2021-2022

Please pray for the children and their families who started The First Communion Programme this weekend.

The next session for the Children is on **Saturday 4th December at 9:30 a.m** in the parish.

CONFIRMATION 2022

Young people who are 14 years old and above (Year 9 or above) are eligible to join the Confirmation Programme 2022. Applications forms are available from the back of the church and from our website.

The deadline to submit the Confirmation form has been extended until **Sunday 12th December**.

We anticipate that the course will begin early in January 2022.

Fr David Irwin Funeral Arrangements.

Fr David's Funeral Mass will be at St James', Spanish Place on Wednesday 1 December at 12 noon.

On Tuesday 30 November Fr David's mortal remains will be brought to the church for 6pm evening 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 and those who care for them:

Joyce Fleming, Madeline, Ludvinia King, Kathleen Wallace, Eric Ebo Essuman, Rachel Kennelly, Sean Christian Elizabeth Feeley, Michael Bradley, Margaret Collins, Mary Ryan, Angeles Wong, Tony Reilly, Mary Egan, Colman Connelly, Ngozi Elong, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne, Brian Conway Crystal Green, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, Rosa Santos, Bridie Prior, Mary Wong, Michael & Cathy Bailey, Ada Bacarini, Martine Rainsford, Christopher Fradley, Charlie Crane, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison McGoff, Martin Cooke, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries

Noel Kennedy, Philip Yambao, Peter Zolero, John Danquah, Eusebio Fernandez, Conrado Espejo, Sarah Toolan, Marianne Formosa, Mary Morrissey, Myra Richards Houlihan, Mary Moran.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Ana Speroni, Edward Bates, Alan Barker, Dennis Mendoza, Patsy Toolan, Seamus Costello, Jean Moran, Roslyn Lashley, Catherine Acholonu, Eliseo Delfin, Bridie Friel, Eileen Ely, Sherlito de la Cruz, Cesar Tabuzo, Giuseppe, Michael Reardon, Claire Hallmark, John Sweeney, Rose Otoo, Tirso San Juan Austria.

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

Synodal Pathway

For some weeks we been hearing about the Synodal Pathway. Pope Francis is inviting us to do active listening.

You are invited to take part in at least one of the following events:

Holloway Parish listening Events

Young People

Friday 3rd from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the parish hall. Refreshments will be provided.

Area Listening Events:

With Bishop John Sherrington

Northern Area - Wednesday 1st

December, 7.00pm - 9.00pm at Golders Green Parish, 700 Finchley Road, London NW11 7NE

With Bishop Nicholas Hudson:

Central Area - Wednesday 8th December,

7.00pm - 9.00pm at Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, London SW1P 1QJ

Online Listening Events by

Wednesday 24th November 7.00pm -

9.00pm - Zoom. Register in advance for this/meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6110MHESVCK0>

THE PASSAGE

The Passage, a Catholic charity working with homeless people is raising funds through the Big Give a matched giving scheme from 12.00 noon. Every £1 donated online between 12.00 noon on Tuesday 30 November and 12.00 noon on Tuesday 7 December makes £2 and £2.25 if you are a taxpayer through Gift Aid. At a time when The Passage's finances are stretched and they are helping more homeless people please consider supporting this charity through the link <https://bit.ly/PassageBG2021>

Advent Bible studies

'Mauro will walk you through the forthcoming Sunday Gospel with in-depth teaching and stimulating questions & transform your Advent journey' Delivered by Mauro Iannicelli over five Wednesday evenings 24 Nov | 1 Dec | 8 Dec | 15 Dec | 22 Dec (7-8pm UK Time) <https://www.comeandsee.org/>

Virgin Giving- We will be ceasing this week to use Virgin Money giving as a way of online donating. An online alternative is being provided but more information will come in the next couple of weeks. Meanwhile, you can donate by transfers using our website or by standing order. You can Gift Aid your donation if you are a tax payer. Please contact the parish office for more information.

CONTACTLESS DONATIONS:

This donation method has proved to be easy and safe, and it is practical, as we don't normally carry cash nowadays.

The donation which will be linked to your payment and will gift aid all future donations made using the same method.

Please refrain from using this system if you are already in planned giving via Standing Order or Weekly envelopes except for one-off donations. If you ever need help using this terminal, contact one of our volunteers.

Food-bank- Sacred Heart Community COVID Response.

The products most needed are:

Rice, Pasta, Flour, tinned goods, tuna, tinned tomatoes, tea, sweetcorn, porridge oats, long life milk, etc. **Toiletries:** Hand wash, shower gel, toothpaste, deodorant, washing up liquid, laundry detergent, nappies etc.

If you would like to donate these items, please leave them at the back of the church and they will be taken by volunteers to the food bank room.

Catholic Listeners Telephone Helpline - Are you a good listener? Do you enjoy helping others with their queries? Can you assist with finding basic information about a service or an organisation? Catholic Listeners Helpline Service is staffed by volunteers who are trained and operate with the ethos of compassionate listening. All calls and the caller's needs are dealt with sensitivity and due diligence. Catholic Listeners is funded by the Cardinal's Appeal and operates in the Diocese of Westminster. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, email Ade for details at catholiclisteners@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve -6pm (families with children) & 11:30 PM (Midnight Mass)

Christmas Day: 8:30 am & 11:00 am