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 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 (but emails are checked daily)

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 9<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

9 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 <b>THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b>	6:00 (Sat. Vigil Mass)	Bridie Ryme R.I.P
	8:30 am Mass	Maimie Rooney R.I.P
	11:00 am Mass (live-streamed via ZOOM)	Michael Coyle R.I.P Mrs. Leah Joseph R.I.P.
10 <sup>th</sup> January Monday Feria	10:00 am Mass <b>Funeral Mass</b>	Kathleen Sisman R.I.P
11 <sup>th</sup> January Tuesday	No Mass	
12 <sup>th</sup> January Wednesday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Claudioa Rogolli R.I.P Anniv Sean Dolan
13 <sup>th</sup> January Thursday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Jen Tandy R.I.P Patsy Toolan R.I.P
14 <sup>th</sup> January Friday Feria	9:15 am Mass	The Wilson Brothers R.I.P
15 <sup>th</sup> January <b>Saturday. Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</b>	6:00pm (Sat. Vigil Mass)	11:00-12:00 noon Confessions and by appointment Elsie Barr R.I.P
16 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 <b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	8.30 am Mass  11.00 am Mass (live streamed via ZOOM)	Attilo Speroni R.I.P – Anniv.  Marcial Santamaria R.I.P Anniversary.

### BAPTISMAL DEATH AND RESURRECTION

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, we also honour our own baptism as our initiation into the Christian life and community. In the Gospel, the baptism of Jesus, with his immersion and then emergence from the water, points to his later submission to God at his death, and his emergence from the grave at his resurrection. This pattern of death and resurrection is our path too, as followers of Jesus. Throughout life often in small ways, we learn to surrender our limited agendas. This surrender often feels like death. The sacrament of Baptism ritually enacts this pattern to remind us of Jesus' death and resurrection, so that we too might embrace the death and resurrection of our lives. As Jesus emerged from the water, he encountered his Father and the Holy Spirit. Like Jesus, we can know we are God's beloved empowered by the Spirit. @J.S.Paluch.co

### Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

1. The people were searching and John pointed them in the direction of Jesus. On your life's journey who have been the John the Baptist people for you, people who have pointed you in the right direction?
2. The Baptism of Jesus was a very special moment for him that affirmed him in his identity as Son of God and in his mission. Recall the experiences that affirmed you – either in your sense of who you are, or in relation to the direction you were taking in life.
3. The Baptism of Jesus marks a transition point in his life, and the start of his public ministry. Recall the transition points in your own life. Where did you see the grace of God at work in those times? @ Intercom
4. This experience of Jesus occurred when he was at prayer. What part has prayer played in opening you to being aware of God in your life? What part has prayer played in helping you through a transition point in your life? @ Intercom

## 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, Christopher Browne, Brian Conway Crystal Green, Patrick Dolan, 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**

Leah Joseph, Attilo Speroni, Claudio Rigolli, Derek Turner, Marcial Santamaria, Margaret Keohane, Martin Mc Carthy, Brian Mpunga, Ann & Kathleen Rainsford, Joe Ward, James Brefo, Noel Kennedy, Philip Yambao, Peter Zolero, John Danquah.

### **Please Pray for the Recently Dead:**

Sue Sims, Lil Traynor, Kathleen Sisman, Comfort Aneter, James Gray, David Irwin, Emil Virary, John Finbow, Ann Treanor Anna 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.

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

## 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](mailto: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**

The next parent's session is at 7:00 pm on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021** in the parish hall. Due to the current circumstances with the COVID pandemic, children's session will be online until February half term, when situation will be reviewed again. Sessions will start next Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January at 10:00 am. Via Zoom. The link will be sent via email.

### **CONFIRMATION 2022**

Young people who are 14 years old and above (Year 9 or above) are eligible to join the Confirmation Programme 2022.

You still can join, please contact the parish office. Next week will be announced when the confirmation course starts.

First Parents' meeting is on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 7:00 pm. First meeting for young people is on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7:00 pm.

### **Pope Francis January's prayer intentions True Human Fraternity**

*We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.*

### **CONTACTLESS DONATIONS:**

This donation method has proved to be easy and safe, and it is practical, as we don't normally carry cash nowadays. If you give your Sunday offering using the contactless machine at the entrance of the church, please gift aid your offering if you're a taxpayer. You can take a photo on the QR code displayed in the machine – you can then fill in the online form at home. At no extra cost to yourself, this will increase your donation by 25%.

### **'The New Testament for the Perplexed'**

**5 online talks by Fr John Deehan, part of the 'The God Who Speaks' series.**

**Date: Thursday, 13th, 20th, 27th January, 3rd and 10th February**

**Time: 7.00pm – 8.00pm Venue: Online Zoom meeting.**

**Register through Eventbrite**

**<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-god-who-speaks-the-new-testament-for-the-perplexed-tickets-221344626737>**

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### **CRIB OFFERINGS-**

Any offerings placed in the box are given to the Catholic Children Society which works non-denominationally across the diocese to support families and children with therapy, bereavement support, counselling and through their family centres in Poplar and Nottinghill. Please be generous.

The crib is up until **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> January**, The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

**"At Baptism, I received grace — that quality that makes me share in the very nature of God." Mother Angelica**

GUIDANCE TO CHURCHES – Safety Omicron Wave

- **Please stay at home if you have a cough, are sneezing or unwell.**
- **Masks to be worn (including and especially when Congregation sings);**
- **Social distancing**
- **Refrain from physical interaction where possible**

Please get your booster shots as soon as you can. Please don't listen to the misinformation around, especially from social media (some of it given out by misguided people). Rather, let's listen to Pope Francis:

"I believe that morally everyone must take the vaccine. It is the moral choice because it is about your life but also the lives of others. I do not understand why some say that this could be a dangerous vaccine... We have realised that we are on the same boat, all of us fragile and disoriented, but at the same time important and needed, all of us called to row together, each of us in need of comforting the other."

As of today, 5.33 million people have died from COVID-19, so we must do all we can to stop illness, stop the pressure on our NHS, and stop unnecessary deaths. May the best Christmas present we can give anyone this year is to take our moral and Catholic duty so seriously that our actions in regard to this virus demonstrate that we love neighbours as we love ourselves. @ Fr Richard Leonard SJ

### **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.