OFFERTORY COLLECTION Sunday 21st April 2019. Envelopes: Weekly £1168.86

Loose: £674.44 Standing Orders £1,232.50 (Feb/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.

PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN

Thank you very much to all those who filled in a form during our planned giving campaign.. If you missed the opportunity to do so there are forms at the back of the church on the table and in porch. As a reminder we need information from every parishioner or family even if you already contribute regularly to the Offertory Collection and/or volunteer at Sacred Heart's.

This will help us plan for the future, including support for parish ministries. And those who requested for envelopes can now collect them at the back of church.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK		
28 th April '19	6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass	Hugo Breslin R.I.P
Second Sunday of Easter	8:30 am Mass	For the Parish
Divine Mercy	11:00 am Mass	Paula Helena – Intentions Michael & Philippe Lau-Yu-Kan R.I.P - Anniv.
29 th April Monday St Catherine of Siena	9:15 am Mass	Christina Gunning R.I.P
30 th April Tuesday St George	No Mass	
1 st May Wednesday St Joseph the Worker	10:00 am Mass	For the Parish Celebrant Mgr Robert Le Gall
2 nd May Thursday St Athanasius	9:15 am Mass	Yolanda Villegas - Intentions
3 rd May Friday Ss Philip & James	9:15 am Mass 12:00 Noon Funeral Mass	John Mazzoni – R.I.P Elijah Dolan R.I.P
4 th May Saturday The English Martyrs		11:00-12;00 noon Confessions
	6:00 pm Vigil Mass	John Joseph Walsh R.I.P Anniversary
5 th May '19	8:30 am Mass	For the Parish
Third Sunday of	11:00 am Mass	James & Mary Morrissey R.I.P
Easter	12:30 pm Mass	First Holy Communion Mass – Group A

CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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Phone: 020 7607 3594 Email: holloway@rcdow.org.uk www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk Parish Priest: Fr. Gideon Wagay Mrs. Elízabeth Ocampo- Admín Assistant Parish Office opening times for Admin-Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:30am- 3:00pm. **Catechetical Coordinator:** Nali (nalininathan@rcdow.org.uk) Second Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday 28th April '19

The Deep End • A Saint for dark times

It's perfectly understandable: Thomas is having trouble believing that Jesus has returned to be with his friends again. The disciples, who witnessed Jesus' arrest, torture, death and burial, are now talking about having seen Jesus in the flesh again. It sounds impossible. Thomas was not there when Jesus first appeared to the disciples, so of course he is doubtful.

Thomas' moment of doubt earned him the nickname 'Doubting Thomas, and I sometimes think this is a little unfair. Or rather, I feel that Thomas' wobble of faith does not necessarily cast him in a negative light - it makes him easier to relate to. He is grieving after the death of his master and friend. He is not ready to hear the words of comfort and consolation offered by the others, when they tell him 'We have seen the Lord.' His pain is too deep. He can't believe it, or won't believe it, until he experiences it for himself. And when he does finally encounter Jesus, an agonising eight days later, his declaration of faith is swift: 'My Lord and my God!' We can almost hear the relief and joy in this exclamation.

We all know that life can be painful and messy at times. It can be hard to hang onto our faith when we are in pain, or grieving, or anxious. It might be difficult to accept the assurances of others that God is with us and will help us through it. We might also struggle to pray. In dark times, sometimes we just can't see the light. Thomas is a saint for those times of darkness and doubt. In our darkest days, may we, like Thomas, encounter the healing presence of the Risen Christ.

Mgr Robert Le Gall, Archbishop of Toulouse is visiting Sacred Heart - Holloway this week.

Mgr Le Gall will be celebrating Holy Mass on the feast of St Joseph the Worker, Wednesday 1st May at 10:00 a.m at Sacred Heart. Everybody is invited to attend!



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:

Tony Reilly, Colman Connelly, , Catherine Wright, Mario Marshall, Ngozi Elong, Lily de Nobrega, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne, Baby Michael Ellitott, Daithi Sweeney, Keith Hunt, Crystal Green, Ludvinia King, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, John Regan, Rosa Santos, Tom Kelly, 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, Ben Deignan, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

<u>Anniversaries</u>: Michael & Philippe Lau-Yu-Kan, John Joseph Walsh, Joe Neary, Ann McKenna, Michael Houlihan, Beryl Genovese, Ana M Velasco, Pauric Dolan, Sue Finnegan, Frances Byrne, Margaret Dolan, Joan Neary.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Elijah Dolan, Sita Radomkit, Mark Joseph, Rowel Tabuzo, Regina Salazar Clara Lwembe, Margaret Deignan, Eva Buchalska, Edward Power, Dolores Hawley, Dolores Crowley, Lottie Capocci.

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

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.

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, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION, R. C. I.A.

For details on being baptised, First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion preparation (year 3 and above), youth confirmation (14-18 year olds), being confirmed as an adult or for details about becoming Catholic, please pick up a leaflet from the back of the church or speak to Nali (catechetical coordinator).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS - Group A

Next Sunday, 5th May, group A will be celebrating their First Holy Communion. Rehearsals will be on Saturday 4th May at 9:45 am.

Visiting of the Sick or Homebound

If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like to be visited or receive Holy Communion. Please email or call the parish office to give us your information as well as the information of the person who wishes to be visited. They must reside in the parish area.

Physics and Mathematics Undergraduate Summer Internship Programme 2019

The Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School will be running a four-week Physics and Mathematics Internship Programme over the summer term 2019. Offering undergraduate university students the opportunity to be placed in a number of schools in West, East and North London. Participants will receive a £300 per week bursary for the 4-week programme, a total of £1200. For further information and an application form please go to: BIT.LY/CVMSINTERNSHIP2019.

Christ is risen, and with Him our creative hope arises to face the problems of our day, because we know we are not alone. Pope Francis

THE ANNUAL MASS FOR MIGRANTS

Will take place this year on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May at Westminster Cathedral, with Bishop Michael Campbell OSA presiding. There will be a banner procession at 10am, with Mass starting at 10:30am. More information and poster nearer the time.

Spirit in the City Festival, 31 May & 1

June 2019. Theme 'Life to the Full'. Catholic Faith Festival celebrating and witnessing faith in London's Leicester Square. Starts Friday evening from 7pm Notre Dame de France in Church. Saturday all day in the Square gardens. Includes live stage music, street evangelisation, prayer teams, all day Adoration, Confessions, feet washing, activities for children, talks, etc. Come be refreshed and renewed in your faith. For more information, contact Allegra, info@spiritinthecity.org or call 0791 5537125. Or why not join the Mission Team and help others encounter Christ through one of these areas? To register as a helper, visit spiritinthecity.org

The Summit

The Westminster Youth Ministry will host 'The Summit', an in-house diocesan event, free for young Catholics aged 14-18 years of age, giving them a chance to meet other young Catholics, share a meal and learn more about their faith on 7th June at Kensal New Town. For further details, call 02037 572 516, email youth@rcdow.org.uk or visit https://dowym.com/events/.

THE SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Maiden Lane, WC2E 7NB- Thursday 2nd May 6:30 PM Mass, adoration & Benediction. Celebrant: Fr. Alan Robinson, KHS Rector of Corpus Christi

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel - John 20:19-31

1. 'Peace be with you' was the greeting of Jesus on meeting his frightened apostles. Who has come to you bringing peace at times when you were afraid? To whom have you been able to bring peace?

2. Thomas, doubting and questioning, is possibly a person with whom we can identify. What positive part have doubting and questioning played in your life? How have such moments helped you to know that your life is worthwhile? How have questions and doubts strengthened your faith?

3. Note the way that Jesus dealt with Thomas. He did not give out because Thomas doubted. He accepted how Thomas felt, and led him along to see the truth of the resurrection. Who has been that kind of teacher for you, gently meeting you where you were and leading you to a deeper knowledge of some truth about life? For whom have you been that kind of teacher?

4. 'Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believed'. That requires great trust. Perhaps you have had the experience of being trusted without having to justify every step along the way. What was it like to be trusted in that way? Who have you been able to trust in a similar manner?

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Please collect your envelopes from the office. Please phone and leave a message.

Married Love: A Conference on Marriage Enrichment

Marriage & Family Life Westminster invite couples to 'Married Love - A Conference on Marriage Enrichment' with a focus on 'Teams of Our Lady' which is an international Catholic movement for married couples. The conference will be hosted by Bishop Nicholas Hudson with keynote speaker Caroline Dollard at Vaughan House SW1P 1QN on 11th May from 11.30am to 3.30pm. For details, contact Charlotte Mc Nerlin at family@rcdow.org.uk.