OFFERTORY COLLECTION Sunday 4th August 2019. Envelopes: Weekly £441.40 Loose: £302.48. Standing Orders £1,139.150 (Jun/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: <u>www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk</u> 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 <u>gift aid</u> 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

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

11 th August 2019	6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass	Elizabeth O'Keesse R.I.P Anniv
Nineteenth Sunday	8:30 am Mass	For the Parish
in Ordinary Time	11:00 am Mass	Maria Lucrecia Martinez R.I.P Albaro Martinez R.I.P
		Jose Chevez R.I.P
		Teodoro Cardozo R.I.P Anniversaries
12 th August Monday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Martin & Margaret Cooke-Ints
13 th August Tuesday Feria	No Mass	
14 th August Wednesday St Maximilian Kolbe	9:15 am Mass	Nora Harkin - Intentions
15 th August Thursday +The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10:00 am Mass	Private Intentions
16 th August Friday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Maria Assumption Turner R.I.P Anniversary
17 th August Saturday Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	6:00 pm Vigil Mass	11:00-12;00 noon Confessions Margaret Deignan R.I.P
18 th August 2019	8:30 am Mass	For the Parish
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00 am Mass	Margarita Rico R.I.P

CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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Phone: 020 7607 3594 Email: <u>holloway@rcdow.org.uk</u> <u>www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk</u> Parish Priest: Fr. Gideon Wagay *Mrs. Elizabeth Ocampo- Admin Assistant* Parish Office opening times <u>for Admin-</u> Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:30am- 3:00pm.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 11th August 2019

The Deep - Ever-ready

Nowadays, many houses have security systems. We can have our homes monitored, 24 hours a day, to make sure they are safe. The really advanced systems even allow us to tap into the cameras from our mobile phones. We don't have to stay awake all night in case someone tries to burgle our home – the system takes care of everything. There are so many technologies available whose focus is to help us be prepared for all eventualities; we have apps for everything from predicting the weather to alerting us to traffic delays.

There are no such luxuries in the parables. The men who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast cannot afford to sleep. They won't receive an alert to their phone when their master arrives home. They have no option but to wait up. In the short parable of the householder and the burglar, Jesus again emphasises the importance of 'standing ready.'

Of course, Jesus is not really talking about watchmen and burglars, or being physically prepared; he is talking, rather, about spiritual alertness. It might seem morbid, but ask yourself this: if you were to die tonight, would you be ready? Your answer might tell you something about the areas of your life that need work. Another way in which we can be 'ever-ready' is to be open to the Holy Spirit. When our hearts are alert and open, we are more likely to see God's goodness in those we meet, and be ready to welcome his grace into our lives.

We could not imagine being without our gadgets and apps and all of the things that make our lives easier. Valuable though they are, there is something more valuable – indeed priceless – at stake. TrionaDohert@Intercom

Pope Francis August's Prayer Intentions

Families, Schools of Human Growth: That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."



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:

Angeles Wong, Amor Marcelo, Tonv Reilly, Mary Egan, Colman Connelly, Catherine Wright, Mario Marshall, Ngozi Elong, Lily de Nobrega, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne, 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.

Anniversaries Elizabeth O'Keesse, Maria Assumption Turner, Diarmuid Kennelly, Estelita Espejo Macalalad, Diarmuad Kennelly, Tayo Ero, Scholastica Moon Joseph Pong.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Julia Bandola, Noreen Potter, Tommy Canvil, Sean Burnage, Teresa McCormack, Margaret Nicole-Sey, Elijah Dolan, Sita Radomkit, Mark Joseph, Clara Lwembe, Margaret Deignan, Eva Buchalska, Edward Power.

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: <u>holloway@rcdow.org.uk</u>

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 Fr Gideon or Elizabeth.

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2019-2020

If in September 2019 your child is in Year 3 at school or above, 8 years old or older then, your child is illegible to join the First Holy Communion Programme.

Parents must apply for their children. Please get your application form from the parish office or after Mass during the month of **September.**

First Parents' meeting is on Thursday 17th October at 7:00 pm.

Children will have their first session on Saturday 2nd November.

Please be aware that children will have sessions most Saturdays morning until May 2020.

ARE YOU STILL A TAX PAYER? GIFT AID CONTRIBUTIONS

If you are registered in the church as Tax payer, but you are no longer a Tax payer please contact the parish office and let us know.

We are about to close our Gift Aid Claim for 2018-2019. Thank You!!!

PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS

The parish office is closed until 3rd September. Any administrative queries will be attended on 3rd September onwards.

For any urgent matters after 29th July, please email your question to Holloway@rcdow.org.uk. Or call and leave a message on 0207 607 3594

CATECHISTS - FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019-2020

Do you feel the call from the Lord to teach his word? This is your opportunity. Our First Holy Communion programme will start the middle of October and we are currently recruiting catechists for this programme.

No experience required, training will be provided. Please contact Elizabeth if you want to talk about it.

Youth Mass

Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm - **15th August Venue:** Westminster Cathedral, Westminster, London SW1P, UK On the Solemnity of the Assumption, a Mass for young adults 18 to 35 in the crypt of Westminster Cathedral, followed by an opportunity to socialise. All are welcome

Spiritual Retreat: Living in God's Presence

Venue: Holy Apostles Catholic Church, 47 Cumberland St, Pimlico, London SW1V 4LY, UK

A spiritual retreat by Fr Jacques Philippe 'Living in God's Presence' will be held on **Saturday 7th September and Sunday 8th September** at Holy Apostle's Church, Pimlico. Priests, seminarians and religious are welcome free of charge, but should book tickets from https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/living-ingods-presence-a-spiritual-retreat-withfather-jacques-philippe-tickets-

59229788893. Retreat charges for the rest is £25. For further details, email jphilippelondonretreat@gmail.com.

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

1. The opening verses of this gospel reading invite us to ask ourselves what we see as our purpose in life. What are our priorities? Is our heart set on material progress and advance, or do we have other priorities? What has helped you to appreciate that there is more to your life than earthly possessions and success?

2. At times one can sense in Jesus an urgency, as if he wanted to shake people and wake them up to take his words seriously. The parable has that tone: 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit.' When have you found that being alert enabled you to grasp a moment of opportunity that you might easily have missed? Perhaps when a child or friend gave a hint that they would like to talk, and a very meaningful conversation ensued?

3. Another consideration that adds to the sense of urgency in the words of Jesus is that we only have one life, and we do not know how long it will last. So Jesus calls us on us to live in the now and to treasure our time. Sometimes we drift aimlessly through a day, and on other occasions use a day purposefully. What difference does that make, if any, to how you experience the day?

La Sainte Union Catholic School Open Evening and Open mornings

Upcoming Open Evening: Thursday 26th September 2019 5pm to 7pm Upcoming Open Mornings: Wednesday 2nd October 9am to 10.30am and Thursday 3rd October 9am to 10.30am. Upcoming Open Afternoons: Tuesday 8th October 1.30pm to 3pm and Wednesday 9thOctober 1.30pm to 3pm.

The measure of the greatness of a society is found in the way it treats those most in need, those who have nothing apart from their poverty. – Pope Francis