

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 5th Jan 2020

Envelopes: Weekly £399.55

Loose: £496.81

Standing Orders £1,073 (Dec./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

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



**+THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
12th January 2020**

The Deep – Baptism of Jesus

John the Baptist was driven by one mission: to point people to Jesus, to prepare the way for Jesus. Yet John is uneasy in this account of Jesus' baptism. The moment has arrived but he is standing before someone much greater than himself and is being asked to minister. John feels unqualified, unworthy of such a task. After some persuasion 'John gave into him' and accepted his responsibility. This is a lesson to all of us, not to let feelings of inadequacy stop us from carrying out our various missions and vocations in our lives. Jesus explains to John that this is necessary as a sign for the beginning of his ministry, a public statement of identity.

Today we might consider our own baptism and what it means to us. At that moment we were anointed as priests, prophets and Kings. To what extent do we live this out in our Christian lives? John points us towards Jesus and we can ask, do we also point the way to Jesus for others? How can we be a signpost for others?

Remember today those who pointed the way for you at various times in your life. Maybe a chaplain in school or college, a teacher, grandparent, a friend, a retreat you participated in. At various times in our lives we meet these 'signposts' which help us to grow in our faith and deepen our awareness of Christ's love. Let us celebrate all of these 'baptismal' moments today.

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Peace Sunday – Pax Christi

Next Sunday, 19th January is Peace Sunday.

Pax Christi works across England & Wales with a small team to promote the Gospel message of peace through outreach work, peace education in schools, presence on social media and the production of well-respected resources.

Your help is essential. Please consider supporting the work of Pax Christi. We are having a second collection today and next Sunday. Thank you for your generosity. For more information go to www.paxchristi.org.uk

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

12th January +THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass	Mary, Patsy and Family
	8:30 am Mass	Sean Dolan R.I.P – Anniversary
	11:00 am Mass	Ben Deignan R. I.P
13 th January Monday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Bernadette, Mick & Family –Ints Mick & Family - Intentions.
14 th January Tuesday	No Mass	
15 th January Wednesday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Helena Botonta
16 th January Thursday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Attilio Seperoni R.I.P - Anniv
17 th January Friday St Anthony Abbot	9:15 am Mass	Seamus la Henaghan -Ints
18th January Saturday Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	6:00 pm-Vigil Mass	<i>11:00-12:00 noon Confessions</i> Mc Elroy Family – Intentions Ruxton Family – intentions
19th January Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Mass	Farrel Davidson R.I.P Carol Trim R.I.P Janice Davidson R.I.P
	11:00 am Mass	Jeremiah Kennelly R.I.P - Anniv

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:

Maria Louise, Mary Ryan, Angeles Wong, Tony Reilly, Mary Egan, Colman Connelly, Catherine Wright, Mario Marshall, Ngozi Elong, Lily de Nobrega, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne, Keith Hunt, Crystal Green, Ludvinia King, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, Rosa Santos, Tom Kelly, Bridie Prior, 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, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen, and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries

Claudio Rigolli, Sean Dolan, Mary Krzemieniewski, Peter, Nora and Michael Ginty, Brian Mpunga, Pascal McDaid, Michael Dolan, Martin McCarthy, Louis & Philomena Kalathara, Habte Semharay.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

John DeWitt, Charlie Estrada, Br Kilian Keaney, Ben & Margaret Deignan, Mossie, O'Riordan, Al Bearman, Anne Roche.

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: holloway@rcdow.org.uk

BAPTISM (Child)

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

Baptism or Confirmation of an Adult **R.C.I.A.**

Our RCIA programme is underway. We invite you to pray for all of those who are taking part on it. The next meeting with Fr. Bogdan is on Thursday 16th January at 7:30 pm.

CONFIRMATION 2020

First parents meeting will be on **Thursday 16th January 2020**. We anticipate that most sessions will be on Thursdays evenings.

Save the Date: Saturday 15th February will be a day of reflection for the Confirmation Programme. Please make sure you have this day in your diary. Attendance is mandatory.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME **2019-2020**

Parents/cares meeting this Wednesday 15th January at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

Next session for the children will be on Saturday 18th January.

Volunteers Needed 2020-

If you would be interested in helping the Parish, this is something to think about in the New Year. We are currently looking for new volunteers in the following areas. Hospitality Group or Ushers (welcoming people as they arrive in the church), Fire marshalls (health and safety) for every Mass church cleaners, handyman for small jobs with some skills in electrics and plumbing (to give advice). Give back something to God and to your community. If interested, please contact Elizabeth in the parish office

Journeying with the Bible

Fr Javier Ruiz-Ortiz PhD and Sr Monica Cardona PhD are running a series of talks for the Year of the Word on the Bible. The dates and topics are:

- **14th Jan.** 7-8.30pm 'What do we mean by Bible?'

- **28th Jan** 7-8:30 pm 'Who speaks in the Bible? To whom does he speak?' on

- **11th Jan** 7-8:30 pm 'Where does the Bible come from and when did it take place?'

All will take place at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN. Suggested donation £5. Please register at livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk

International Speaker David Wells at the London Jesuit Centre **FRIDAY 17th JANUARY 2020** **JOY-THE INFALLIBLE SIGN OF GOD'S PRESENCE**

The liberating virtue of joy is much needed in our world today. Let's learn about it, reflect upon it, and pray for it. 7-9pm. London Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street London W1K 3AH

Booking on Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/joy-the-infallible-sign-of-gods-presence-tickets-83622809073>

Stress in Your Marriage? – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This programme has helped 6,000 couples who were experiencing difficulties in their marriage in the past year. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme commencing with a residential weekend on **8th, 29th Feb & 1st March 2020**. Call or text 0788 729698 retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

The God Who Speaks 2020- has been designated as The Year of the Word. During this year we will be encouraged to delve deeply in to the Word of God, to pray the Scripture and to get to know the Bible a bit better.

Year of the Word - The God who Speaks Meditate

At his baptism Jesus is revealed as the Son, the Beloved on whom God's favour rests. At the same time the Spirit is visible as a dove and the Father speaks. All of us have moments of light where God is close to us. We need to carry them within us so that when, we go through darkness, we do not give up.

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You could spend some time in prayer meditating the second mystery of light, thinking of those moments of light in your life which precede and support your mission and life.

When you go into hospital please tell them when they are taking your details that you are a Roman Catholic and would welcome seeing a priest chaplain or the chaplaincy team when they come around. If you don't, there is no way the chaplaincy team know you are there. Remember that your spiritual and religious care is just as important as your physical, psychological and social needs.

Visiting the sick and the housebound

–If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like to receive Communion, Please call the parish office as well as the information of the person who wishes to be visited and given communion. They must reside in our parish area.

If we have no peace in our hearts, how can we think there will be peace in the world? Let's try to remain in the Lord, and the way to do so is to love, and to love in little things. **@Pope Francis**