OFFERTORY COLLECTION Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 Envelopes: Weekly £500.20 Loose: £269.46 Standing Orders £1,073 (Dec./week) SPUC Collection £259.49 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.

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

16 <sup>th</sup> February	6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass	Teresa Kennelly R.I.P – Anniv.
+Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Mass	For the Parish
	11:00 am Mass	John Behm – R.I.P Margaret Deignan R.I.P- Anniv
17 <sup>th</sup> February Monday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Mr. Krzemieniewski R.I.P
18 <sup>th</sup> February Tuesday	No Mass	
19 <sup>th</sup> February Wednesday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Margaret Deignan R.I.P 1st Anniv.
20 <sup>th</sup> February Thursday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Emmanuel's Family intentions
21 <sup>st</sup> February Friday St Peter Damian	9:15 am Mass	Rooty Family - Intentions
22 <sup>nd</sup> February Saturday The Chair of St Peter the		11:00-12;00 noon Confessions
Apostle	6:00 pm-Vigil Mass	John Hanrahan – R.I.P
23 <sup>rd</sup> February +Seventh Sunday in	8:30 am Mass	Helen Bradley - R.I.P Anniv.
Ordinary Time	11:00 am Mass	John Behm – R.I.P Margaret Deignan R.I.P Anniv.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

# CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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+ Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 16<sup>th</sup> February

### The Deep End - The bare minimum

There are times when we try to get by with the bare minimum. Maybe we have scraped through an exam with the minimum of effort, or done a last-minute rush job to complete a work project. Plenty of us know what it's like to do just enough around the house to keep it from descending into total chaos!

Perhaps unconsciously, we sometimes take the same approach to our relationships – only phoning a parent once in a blue moon to 'check in,' or visiting a friend only when we are reminded. It can be easy to slip into a pattern of acting out of a sense of duty rather than love.

Of course, our faith can go the same way. Are there times when we approach the Eucharist with a niggling feeling that something is not quite right? If so, Jesus has some strong words for us in today's Gospel. If we believe that all we are expected to do is 'follow the rules,' we have missed something important. Jesus does not want us to merely follow the letter of the law. Where is the joy or the challenge in that? He tells us that our virtue must go deeper than simply doing the bare minimum. Not only must we not kill, we must not be angry with others. Not only must we not break a promise, we must be honest in all our dealings and in our speech. If we approach the altar without being on good terms with others, we are not in true communion with God.

Obeying the rules is the bare minimum. The Gospel is calling us to a more radical way of living.

### PASTORAL LETTER

Today, you will find a Pastoral Letter, attached to this newsletter, sent by Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Take the time to read it at your own peace and reflect on it.



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

Helen Bradley, Margaret Deignan Teresa Kennelly, Michael Toolan,, Bridget Gill, John Joe Ferguson, Xavier & Ann, Margaret Lonergan, Claudio Rigolli, Sean Dolan Mary Krzemieniewski Peter.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead: Olive Barron, Fr.Fernando Suarez. Raymond Whitaker, Gloria James, Maria Salerno, John Behm, Br Kilian Keaney, Ben Deignan.

*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 (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 20<sup>th</sup> February at 7:30 pm.

### **CONFIRMATION 2020**

Next session will be on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7:00 pm, in the parish classroom.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2019-2020

After half-term holidays, children will have their First Reconciliation.

Children in groups 1,2,3 will have the reconciliation on Saturday 29th February at 10:00 am in the church.

Children in groups 4,5,6 will have the reconciliation on Saturday 7th March at 10:00 am in the church.

Parents and carers are welcome to go to reconciliation as well.

## Congratulations to our Altar Server, Jack Gentili-Walsh

We are very proud of Jack, who has been selected to be part of the English Karate Federation National Squad.

We wish Jack every success and we keep him and his family in our prayers.

February is emptying time for RED BOXES. Please bring your red box to the parish office or hand them over to the priest after Mass.

# You are invited to The Bible Timeline

During the Year of the Word, you are invited to join us and embrace the Bible.

We will be watching and commenting on *The Bible Timeline*, the study programme (videos) by Jeff Cavins.

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February we will be watching and discussing The Introduction to The Early World. When: Wednesday from 7:30 pm. to 9:00 pm.

**Place: Parish Classroom.** Refreshments will be provided.

Please come along.

<u>St Peter's Way of the Cross</u> <u>Highbury</u>

As part of its usual Lenten Devotions, and also as part of its 100th Anniversary Celebrations, St Joan of Arc Parish Highbury, is putting on a very special Stations of the Cross from the viewpoint of St Peter on **Friday 13 March at 7.30pm**. This is a very powerful Stations of the Cross with each of the fourteen stations accompanied by a piece of music for Choir and soloists. There is no entrance fee but there will be a retiring collection in aid of the Westminster Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. St Joan of Arc Church, 60 Highbury Park N5 2XH.

### Vinnie Packs

"The SVP are distributing 11,500 Vinnie Packs containing cold weather essentials to the homeless this winter. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £3.50 per pack? Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out to SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West sort code 60-60-04, account no. 4608 8237. Thank you so much for your support.

### BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

A healing weekend for men and women who are separated, divorce, or widowed will be held from 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at the Domus Mariae Chigwell Essex. For details contact Freda 01322 838415 or see web: www.retrouvaille.co.uk

### Year of the Word - The God who Speaks Meditate

Every human action has two levels: the physical acts and the motivations which drive whose actions. One flows into the other; they influence each other. Jesus says that evil comes from the heart, from our motivations; hence his message goes deep into the human heart so that the actions get transformed.

### Act

Jesus invites us to be true to our words. You might examine the words you use and make sure that they are what you mean.

### THE GOD WHO SPEAKS. JOURNEYING WITH THE BIBLE

Time: 7:00pm - 8:30pm Venue: Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN

### Date: 25th Feb

How do we known it really happened? o To acknowledge how archaeological remains enlighten aspects of the biblical account.

o To present and comment the Assyrian, Babylonian and Persian remains at the British Museum which enlighten the biblical text.

### Date: 10th March

Major Themes of the Old Testament

o To explore the most important themes in the Bible.

o To present the running themes in the Old Testament

### Date: 21<sup>st</sup> April

Pentateuch

o To present an overview of the Five Books of the Pentateuch

o To study some chosen/representative texts. Lecturers: Fr Javier Ruiz-Ortiz PH.D. and Sr Monica Cardona. Suggested donation £5 per talk. Please register at livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk

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ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL, Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 3;30pm – The Cardinal invites to this Mass all couples in the diocese who are celebrating their 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, and every year over 60, wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2020. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please let the Parish Office have the following details: Husband and wife's names, wedding date, postal address and email or tel number by 20 March 2020. Thank you.