#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 26 Jan 2020 Envelopes: Weekly £402.50 Loose: £389.33

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.sacredheartchurchhollowav.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 <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

2 <sup>nd</sup> February +THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass 8:30 am Mass 11:00 am Mass	Ximena Peña R.I.P - Anniv  Mrs R.J. Kalathara - Intentions  Adina Fleming - Intentions
3 <sup>rd</sup> February Monday Ss Laurence, Dunstan and Theodore	10:00 am Mass Funeral Mass	Bernadette Gloria James R.I.P.
4 <sup>th</sup> February Tuesday	No Mass	
5 <sup>th</sup> February Wednesday St Agatha	9:15 am Mass	Pat & Bridget Gorman
6 <sup>th</sup> February Thursday St Paul Miki and Companions	9:15 am Mass	Mark Joseph R.I.P Anniversary
7 <sup>th</sup> February Friday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Mong Chuka Egbe R.I.P
8 <sup>th</sup> February Saturday St Josephine Bakhita		11:00-12;00 noon Confessions
	6:00 pm-Vigil Mass	Bridget Gill – R.I.P - Anniv
9 <sup>th</sup> February +Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Mass 11:00 am Mass	Teresa Quin R.I.P  Mark Joseph R.I.P - Anniversary

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## +THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD 2<sup>nd</sup> February

### The Deep - Unexpected moments

It was an important day for this little family, when Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Did they expect everything to go smoothly, or had they already had to let go of some of their dreams and plans? After all, the story of Jesus' birth had already been unusual, not to mention the shepherds turning up to visit the newborn Messiah. Still, they could not have expected two elderly people to suddenly appear in the Temple with a message about their child – that he was going to do great things but also would be rejected and cause great pain to his mother. Was it at this moment that they realised life would never be the same again?

The most important messages can come from unexpected sources. Anna and Simeon were advanced in years, wise and devout people who had lived well, and still hoped and trusted in God's plan. This encounter was unexpected for them too, taking place close to the end of their lives; but they were ready, willing and able to recognise its significance. Their call was to be among the first people to encounter the Messiah and to share the Good News. What is our call? The story of Anna and Simeon shows us the value of being open to an encounter with Jesus. Despite what we have been through, or what stage we are at in life, there are good things to come. Each of us has something unique to offer. We pray that we will recognise the unexpected opportunities to encounter God that come our way. JaneMallett@Intercom

### White Flower Appeal 2020

The Society of the Unborn children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal this weekend.

On 21 October 2019 the most extreme abortion regime in Europe was imposed on the people of Northern Ireland by the government at Westminster. Abortion will now be permitted for any reason up until at least 24 weeks, and even beyond that. The abortion lobby now wants to introduce this in England and Wales.

Please be generous as you can to help SPUC defend unborn babies and their mothers from this new attack.

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 Michael Bailey, Kathy Wong, Bailey, Ada Bacarini, Eillen Graham, Martine Rainsford. Christopher Fradley, Edwina Toson, Charlie Crane Nora Harkin, Eileen Elv. Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison McGoff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, , Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen, and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

### **Anniversaries**

Mark Joseph, Bridget Gill, Ximena Peña, John Joe Ferguson, Xavier & Ann, Margaret Lonergan, Claudio Rigolli, Sean Dolan Mary Krzemieniewski Peter, Nora and Michael Ginty, Brian Mpunga, Pascal McDaid, Michael Dolan.

### Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Raymond Whitaker, Gloria James, Maria Salerno, John Behm, John DeWitt, ,Charlie Estrada, Br Kilian Keaney, Ben& Margaret 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: 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 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7:30 pm.

#### **CONFIRMATION 2020**

We had a brilliant session last Thursday with the young people. We are looking forward to seeing them again this Thursday at 7:00 pm.

Confirmation Mass of Enrolment will be on Saturday 8th February. Young people should arrive at 5:30 p.m and should be accompanied by their parents or carers.

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

This Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February there is a parent meeting at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. All parents are expected to attend this meeting.

The next session for the children will be on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February.

Punctuality is very important, Please bring your child on time.



### 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.

The Bible Timeline takes you on a guided journey through salvation history.

It will teach you how to read and understand the Bible and introduce you to the wonderful narrative of the Bible in a way that will transform your life.

Start date: Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February.

When: Every Wednesday from 7:30 pm. to 9:00 pm.

Place: Parish Classroom.

Refreshments will be provided.

Everyone is welcomed!

### <u>CAFOD information afternoon -</u> Wednesday 12<sup>nd</sup> February 2.30-4pm.

CAFOD will be hosting a supporter's information afternoon with a guest speaker, Christine Allen, Director, who has first- hand experience of our work overseas.

Come and hear how CAFOD is helping communities, thanks to your support.

Meeting will take place from 2.30 – 4pm at CAFOD's Volunteer Centre, 1st Floor, Church of Christ the King, 29 Bramley Road, Oakwood, N14 4HE Bookings required and taken on 0208 449 6970 or e mail westminster@cafod.org.uk

### **Beginning Experience Weekend**

A healing weekend for men and women who are separated, divorced or widowed will be held from 3rd to 5th April 2020 at the Domus Mariae Centre, Chigwell, Essex.

For details please contact Freda 01322-838415 or email johnabrotherton@hotmail.co.uk.

### <u>Year of the Word - The God who Speaks</u> <u>Meditate</u>

Christianity is better described as an encounter, a meeting with God. Today we are presented with a young couple meeting two elderly people. This meeting is possible because Simeon and Anna were waiting for God to act. Our God belongs to those who look for him.

#### Act

God is present in the people we meet. Perhaps you could greet someone in the parish you've never spoken to before.

### Family Holiday Club, February Half Term Volunteers Needed!

On Tuesday 18th February, from 11am-2pm Caritas Westminster will be running the Blessed Sacrament Family Holiday Club. The club will include lots of fun activities for families to enjoy, followed by a hot nutritious lunch and food to take home and cook together, all for free. Caritas launched their clubs very successfully in October 2019. servina over 400 meals to families. However, Caritas rely on volunteers to make the clubs happen, so to make sure they can run again in February they really need your help! If you would be able to volunteer on Tuesday 18th February. between 9am-3pm at Blessed Sacrament Primary School (N1 0UF) to support with kids activities, admin, or cooking the lunch please email cfc@rcdow.org.uk or call 020 7931 6077 to let us know. You can also get in touch if you would like to attend the club with your children.

# FUNERAL MASS Bernadette Gloria James R.I.P. Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 10:00 am

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.