OFFERTORY COLLECTION Standing Orders £1,073 (March./week) Your generosity enables us to pay the parish bills. Thank you!

For online giving, please go to: www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk and click support. Thank you. Parish Bank Account Details. <u>Account name:</u> WRCDT Holloway Sorting Code : 40-05-02 Account Number: 71308319 Address: HSBC, 69 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EY

Weekly envelopes can be mailed in or you can drop them in the mail box outside the parish door. <u>Active Membership of the Parish</u> 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

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 26th July 2020

The Deep End

Over the past few weeks, we have been reading Matthew 13, with its parables on the Kingdom of Heaven. Matthew uses this phrase to describe what our world might be like if we really lived like Jesus lives. This vision is not one focused on power, even though the word 'kingdom' might be misleading! It is more a web of relationships. Like the seed parables show us, God's Kingdom grows quietly, in unexpected places; like seeds, it sometimes grows in the darkness, unseen. Today's parable focuses on treasure, something very precious. When we are obsessed with finding something, it consumes us. We will put all our resources, time or money, into finding it. In this parable, Jesus urges us to strive for the ultimate treasure, i.e. God. During the Covid-19 crisis, many people have been thinking about what is most important in their lives. A break from the 'rat race' forced all of us to slow down, to step back, to 'pull the emergency brake.' We saw who the real heroes in our society are. We witnessed many acts of kindness and community spirit. We stepped back, paused. No doubt, things will not be the same again a er this pandemic. But hopefully we will have awakened to what our 'treasure' really is. 'Historically, pandemics have forced humans to break with the past and imagine their world anew. This one is no different. It is a portal, a gateway between one world and the next. We can choose to walk through it, dragging the carcasses of our prejudice and hatred, our avarice, our data banks and dead ideas, our dead rivers and smoky skies behind us. Or we can walk through lightly, with little luggage, ready to imagine another world.' Arundhati Roy, 'The Pandemic is a Portal,' Financial Times Jane Mellett@Intercom



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:

Arthur Calderon, Mary Ryan, Angeles Wong, Tony Reilly, Mary Egan, Colman Connelly, Catherine Wright, Ngozi Elong, Lily de Nobrega, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne Brian Conway Crystal Green, Ludvinia King, Maria Louise Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, Rosa Santos, Tom Kelly, Bridie Prior, Mary Wong, Michael & Cathy 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

Michael Lonergan, Pierre & Myriam Imbert, Edgar Ocampo, Blanca Castaño, Delfin Calomay, John Rainsford, Joe Neary, Stanley Richards, Salomon Reed, Julian Reed and Sylvestre Bandola, Patrick Dolan, Joan Neary, Bruno Solari.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Luke Dowd, Margaret Hennessey, Jenny Sablayan, Ricardo Balingit, Anthony Lavin, Edgar Losa, Jose Pauco, Catherine Bello, Eliseo de los Santos, Olive Barron, Raymond Whitaker, Maria Salerno, John Behm, Sean Reid.,

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

SACRAMENTS <u>Government Guidelines in celebrating</u> the Sacraments:

The guidelines to date, limit number for <u>baptisms</u>, <u>weddings</u> and <u>funerals</u> to 30 people only regardless of the size of the church.

In the current situation in the case of funeral Masses, we request you not to attend unless specifically invited by the family of the deceased.

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)

<u>Have you got a child for Baptism?</u> All activities related to baptisms have been postponed due to COVID-19. You can email for more info holloway@rcdow.org.uk

<u>R.C.I.A.</u>

Please continue to pray for our Catechumens and Candidates. Meetings have been postponed.

CONFIRMATION 2020 and FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2019-2020

Our plan is to arrange First Holy Communion and Confirmations in the autumn within the guidelines that we will be receiving at the time. Please be assured that this will be our priority but we are waiting for more guidelines which frequently changes. Thank you for your patience.

Confessions: This is available every Saturday 11:00-12:00noon by appointment for now. Please phone the parish office and leave a message.

HELP US to make our community safe We are back to our regular Mass times but this time with restrictions. Please be aware that for now, we are not returning to the pattern of worship that we are used to before lockdown. We are asked to keep the celebration of the Mass brief, but dignified. Thank you for taking the option to attend Mass on week days or attending the less crowded Masses (Sat 6:00 pm and Sun 8:30 am). Do not forget that it is a first come first served system, social distancing has reduced the capacity of the church, so please arrive early, at least 15 minutes before Mass to avoid disappointments. Please follow all the instructions given, this will keep everyone safe.

CONTACT TRACING

We are now moving on to the next phase of managing the risk of Covid 19 re-emerging. We are asking parishioners to fill out a Contact Tracing form every time you come to Mass. One form per household is sufficient. It can also be downloaded from our website and there are hard copies available in church. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

RUNNING OUT!

Donations ARE WELCOME for more <u>disinfectants</u>, <u>sanitisers</u>, <u>disposable</u> <u>masks and gloves</u>. You can bring them to church or to the parish office. Thank you very much.

CHANGES TO THE WAY YOU GET CONNECTED TO MASS VIA ZOOM

The ways that we can join our Parish Zoom gatherings are changing. From this Sunday (11:00am) there will be only one method. Entry via clicking the link might no longer work, we will all need to use the Meeting ID and Password. Start by entering the Zoom website: <u>https://zoom.us/join</u>

Meeting **ID 744 445 9425** then click 'Join'. It will ask you for meeting password' **597446**

OFFERTORY:

There is no offertory collection in the Mass. However, this is our main source of income. Please drop your **Offering** to the boxes provided (entrance and exit). Thank you to everyone who has continued with or switch to, standing orders during these tough times.

Virgin Money Giving- We will be installing this link in our website and it will be a more efficient way of giving to your parish church. Contactless Giving-This has been on trial in bigger parishes and it will be installed in our church sometime in the autumn.

Volunteers in church during Pandemic:

<u>Stewards-</u> you are needed to welcome people, to give information regarding the contact tracing form and to direct them to their seats. Kindly arrive at least 30 minutes before Mass begins.

<u>**Cleaners</u>** - Benches have to be disinfected/sanitised after each Mass. The more volunteers, the quicker it will be done.</u>

<u>Holy Water:</u>- during this time we are not permitted to have open Holy Water in the font but if you would like Holy Water for your home, kindly bring a bottle of water and let the priest bless it.

Are you receiving e-mails from Sacred Heart Parish?

During Pandemic times, we have tried to keep fluid communication with our parishioners via email.

Have you received e-mails from this parish at least once a week during lock-down?

If you have not received them, it might be that we do not have your email address or we do not have your expressed consent to include your email address in our mails distribution list. According to data protection, we can only email you if have given us permission to contact you.

To be updated regularly about what is happening in Holloway parish at these awkward times, please let us have your email address. You can send it to <u>holloway@rcdow.org.uk</u>.