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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

WASS I	IMES & INTENTION	
9th May 2021	6:00 (Sat. Vigil Mass)	Toni Henshaw – Intentions
Sixth Sunday of Easter	8:30 am Mass	Anne Tally – R.I.P
	11:00 am Mass (live-streamed via ZOOM)	For the Parish
10 th May Monday Easter Feria	9:15 am Mass	Trevor Murphy R.I.P Holy Souls
11 th May Tuesday	No Mass	
12 th May Wednesday St Pancras	9:15 am Mass	Kate Brown - Intentions
13 th May Thursday +The Ascension of the Lord	10:00 am Mass	Anna Ross – R.I.P
14 th May Friday St Matthias	9:15 am Mass	Lily De Nobrega – R.I.P
15 th May Saturday Easter Feria		11:00-12;00 noon Confessions and by appointment
	6:00pm (Sat. Vigil Mass)	For the parish
16 th May 2021	8:30 am Mass	Stanley Richards R.I.P - Anniv
Seventh Sunday of Easter	11:00 am Mass (live-streamed Via ZOOM)	Mekealet Uldreci – R.I.P Letea Muccei –R.I.P

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Sixth Sunday of Easter 9th May 2021

The Deep End - All you need is love

'Love? Above all things I believe in love. Love is like oxygen. Love is a manysplendoured thing. Love lifts us up where we belong. All you need is love.' In an attempt to express the depth of his love, the character Christian from the film Moulin Rouge pulls together the lyrics of some of the most famous love songs of recent decades. Since time began, poetry, prose, and song have attempted to put into words the great mystery that is love. 'At the touch of love, everyone becomes a poet,' the philosopher Plato put it.

Today's Gospel offers one of the most eloquent passages on love in the Gospels. It reveals the vision of Jesucuise linerfollowers and explains how we should treat one another. We are to love each other with the same love Jesus showed during his time on earth, that great and generous love that culminated in his 'laying down his life for his friends'. It is in the way we love one another, the way we understand and forgive and support one another, that we experience the life and love of Jesus.

There are more than 20 references to love in today's readings. In the second reading we hear that 'everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God'. That love that God showed by sending his Son for us, is the same generous, wholehearted, self-sacrificing love we are called to show others - all others. God does not have favourites.

'We find it so hard to accept the revelation that it is God's delight to be worshipped in the way we touch and look at each other, in the way we listen and talk to each other, in the way we forgive and promise to start all over again.' (Daniel O'Leary)

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT "We are a welcoming, nourishing

living parish, inspired by the Sacred Heart to serve and radiate this love to all."

⁷ We ask for your charitable prayers for those who are sick at home and in hospitals, the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries are at this time...

For the sick and the housebound and those who care for them:

Eric Ebo Essuman, Madeline, Joyce Fleming, Rachel Kennelly, Marie Dorrian. Sean Christian Elizabeth Feeley, Michael Bradley, Margaret Collins, Esther Joseph, Mary Ryan, Angeles Wong, Tony Reilly, Mary Egan, Colman Connelly, Ngozi Elong, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne ,Brian Conway Crystal Green, Ludvinia King, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, Rosa Santos, Bridie Prior, Mary Wong, Michael & Cathy Bailey, Ada Bacarini, Martine Rainsford, Christopher Fradley, Charlie Crane Eileen Ely, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison McGoff, Martin Cooke, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries

Elisa Vanin, Stanley Richards Ann McKenna, Joe Neary, Mark Joseph, Frances Byrne Puric Dolan, Ramon Fideles, Margaret Dolan, Joan Neary, Beryl Genovese.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Claire Hallmark, John Sweeney, Rose Otoo, Tirso San Juan Austria, Jose Arcanjo de Campos, Sophia Darr, Lily DeNobrega, Ruby Flynn, Derek Turner, James Donnelly, Gareth Bryant, Marcial Sta. Maria, Willie Agustin, Rose Paeste, Tom Kelly, Erlinda Holguin, Robert McMullan, Evelyn Green, Lea Joseph.

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

SACRAMENTS

Some of the following catechetical programmes have been delayed, or the meetings suspended due to pandemic precautions. Hopefully we will begin to offer all these ministries soon.

<u>Government Guidelines during lockdown in</u> <u>celebrating the Sacraments:</u>

The guidelines to date, limit number for <u>funerals to</u> <u>30 people</u> only regardless of the size of the church. <u>6 for Baptisms</u>. These regulations will be changed shortly (after 17th May) so watch this space.

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: holloway@rcdow.org.uk

Due to a change in the law we are no longer able to issue civil marriage certificates for Marriages that took place in our church. These can now be obtained directly from the local Registrar in the Town Hall.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Communion sessions are now online, ever Saturday 10:00 am to 11:00 am. Please contact the parish office for further information.

BAPTISM (Child)

Next Baptism preparation meeting for parents and godparents will be on **Saturday 15th May.** You can email us for more info holloway@rcdow.org.uk

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE CONFIRMANDS

This Saturday 8th May, Bishop Nicholas Hudson, Confirmed the young people and adults from Holloway Parish at Westminster Cathedral in a solemn celebration. Please keep praying for them, May the Holy Spirit stay and guide their live.

Foodbank-Sacred Heart Community Response.

Please DO come forward for help if you need it or encourage others who might be in need and do not feel ready to ask for support. <u>Next Date: Saturday 29th May from 11:30am -</u> 1:00pm.

Join with the Holy Father in praying the Rosary each day & join the "Marathon of Prayer" for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic

Join the daily live broadcast of the recitation of the Holy Rosary in linkups with Marian shrines around the world. Watch live, or afterwards on demand.

Time: 5:00 pm UK time.

Follow this link: https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/ news/2021-05/shrines-around-the-

world-linked-for-recitation-of-therosary.html

Today's Rosary (Sunday) will be at The Basilica of the Holy House (Our Lady of Loreto) – Italy. Prayer intentions will be **for all seniors.**

Vaccine Confidence Webinar

A Covid-19 vaccine confidence webinar has been organized for the Dioceses of Brentwood, Southwark and Westminster, with the cooperation of Hertfordshire County Council and Hammersmith & Fulham Council, and other local authorities. It will take place on Saturday 15th May 2021 from 10am to 11.30am and will feature a panel of eminent medical experts led by Prof Kevin Fenton, Regional Director of Public Health London. The panel will share the latest information on COVID-19 vaccination. There will be an opportunity for participants to ask questions anonymously. To join the webinar:

https://zoom.us/j/99627319556 Passcode: 546617

MARRIAGE SUPPORT - This

website may be of help if you have concerns about your marriage: www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Lens of the Gospel John 15:9-17

1. A commandment of love is something of a contradiction in terms. Love is a free choice. That is what gives the thrill to the experience of being loved. Recall times when you received gestures of love from another o a spontaneous embrace from a husband or wife:

- o a wave from a friend;
- o words of comfort and affirmation

not because the other person felt obliged to reach out to you but because they wanted to let you know that you were loved. What effect did that have on you? Did it bring you joy? Perhaps you have had a glimpse of the truth of what Jesus said, that it is in loving that our joy is complete.

2. Often love and friendship make demands on us. Parents give freely of their times and energy to the care of their children but sometimes it requires a lot of effort. Also, in responding to the needs of friends or spouses we can be challenged to 'lay down' our own 'lives' at least for a time. Can you recall a time when putting yourself out for others bore fruit for them and for you?

3. 'I chose you'. Have you had the experience of being 'chosen' by someone? What was it like for you to be chosen? What is it like for you to consider yourself as one chosen by Jesus? That is what we are - chosen by Jesus to bear fruit through our love.

CONTACTLESS DONATIONS:

In a few weeks' time from now we are pleased to introduce a contactless payments terminal for weekly or one-off donations. It will be situated at the back of the church. The system has been approved and trialled by the Diocese and is designed to offer an alternative to loose plate donations. There is also the facility to add gift aid to your donation which will be linked to your payment and will gift aid all future donations made using the same method. Please refrain from using this system if you

Please refrain from using this system if you are already in planned giving via Standing Order or Weekly envelopes except for one-off donations. Thank you very much for your generosity.