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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

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK		
12 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	6:00 (Sat. Vigil Mass)	Marciano de Vera – R.I.P
Twenty – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Mass 11:00 am Mass	Sr Aideen's – Intentions
(Catholic Education Sunday collection)	(live-streamed via ZOOM)	Jim Neary – R.I.P - Anniversary
13 <sup>th</sup> September Monday St John Chrysostom	9:15 am Mass	Anthony Tuohy – Intention Mr. Stechman – R.I.P
14 <sup>th</sup> September Tuesday	No Mass	
15 <sup>th</sup> September Wed. Our Lady of Sorrows	9:15 am Mass	Clara Quintero – R.I.P Anniv
16 <sup>th</sup> September Thursday Ss Cornelius & Cyprian	9:15 am Mass	Maria Jose Forti R.I.P
17 <sup>th</sup> September Friday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Vittoria Predetti – R.I.P - Anniv
18 <sup>th</sup> September Saturday		11:00-12;00 noon Confessions and by appointment
Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	6:00pm (Sat. Vigil Mass)	Maureen Finnegan R.I.P
19 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	8:30 am Mass	Mrs Kalathara's – Intentions
Twenty – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00 am Mass (live-streamed Via ZOOM)	Henry Adjodha R.I.P Bridgette Friel – R.I.P

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## 12<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021 Twenty – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**The Deep End - 'By my words, I will show you my faith'** In the second reading today from St James we read, 'What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works?' And in our Gospel reading we hear: 'the way you think is not God's way but man's...' These are challenging texts which remind us to reflect on what path we are walking as followers of Jesus. Jesus' path was radically different to what people of his time expected of a Messiah. It was a path that would lead to much sacrifice. Being a Christian today means following Jesus' example, being counter-cultural and making sacrifices for a greater good.

Today is also the second Sunday in the Season of Creation, a time we are called to explore our relationship with nature, God's creation. Pope Francis reminds us in Laudato Si' - On Care for Our Common Home that 'we are not God' (LS, 67). He challenges us to reexamine our vocation to care for creation. In the past we misinterpreted God's words in Genesis to mean that we could have dominion over all of creation, own it and plunder it for our own use. Pope Francis invites us instead to explore our role as carers of creation and reminds us that the very first commandment we were ever given was to be protectors of this beautiful world. Yet, we know the earth cries out to us and that we are living through the sixth mass extinction of life on this earth due to human activity. Ecosystems are collapsing; biodiversity is in crisis. Laudato Si' is a hope-filled document, reminding us that we can set out on a new path, that we are capable of turning things around. One key action each of us can take this Season of Creation is to plant a native Irish tree. Each parish, diocese, family, school, university can engage in this symbolic action to help Restore Our Common Home. This week, gather two or three people and explore what can be done, mindful that our Gospel today urges us to walk God's ways not man's. T.D.@Intercom

<u>COP26 –</u> You can find out more about CAFOD's Reclaim campaign and sign a petition at: http://www.cafod.org/reclaim



#### 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 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:

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

#### **Anniversaries**

Clara Quintero Vittoria Predetti, Lucy Ugoala, Sir Harold Hood, Jim Neary, Ruperto Josef, Anastacia Roche, Tayo Ero, Kazimierz Sniezek, Myriam Imbert,, Edgar Ocampo, Luke Dowd Maeve Martin, Martin McCarthy, Teresa Ferguson.

#### Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Roslyn Lashley, Bridgette Friel, Eileen Ely, Sherlito de la Cruz, Tony Yourell, Cesar Tabuzo, Giuseppe, Michael Reardon, 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, Tom Kelly.

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

## SACRAMENTS

Some of the following catechetical programmes have been delayed, or the meetings suspended due to pandemic precautions. We are now slowly starting with most of the 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

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 2021

All First Communion sessions will be in person on Saturdays at 9:30 am in the parish hall. Please make sure that the children 9:30 am to 11:00 am in the Parish Hall. Next parents meeting is on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 7:00 pm** in the parish hall.

All parents are expected to attend the meeting. Details of the First Communion celebration will be discussed this day.

#### FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2021-2022

If in September 2021 your child is in Year 3 at school or above, 8 years old or older then, your child is eligible to join the First Communion Programme. Parents must apply for their children. Please get your application form TODAY after Mass or from the parish office during office opening hours.

#### The deadline to submit the application form is Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

Please be informed that children will have sessions most Saturdays morning until May 2021. If you know a family who intends to enroll their child please bring this notice to their attention. Holy Communion to the Sick and Housebound Parishioners

We are now able to resume taking Holy Communion to the Sick and Housebound parishioners. If you have a member of your family or a friend who would like a visit from one of our Eucharistic Ministers or an Anointing from the priest, please contact the parish office. Please be assured that we will be following all the guidelines issued by the government and the diocese.

### **RED MISSIO BOXES-**

**Please** can you return your boxes to the parish office. Replacement boxes are available in the porch or from Fr Gideon.

## **CONTACTLESS DONATIONS:**

It has been 3 months since we started using the contactless payment terminal here at Sacred Heart parish. It has proved to be easy and safe to use for donations, and It is practical, as we don't normally carry cash nowadays. The 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 are already in planned giving via Standing Order or Weekly envelopes except for oneoff donations.

If you ever need help using this terminal, contact one of our volunteers.

**FLIRTING WITH GOD:** Refreshing Sunday Homilies for all Cycles.

This is a book by Fr Ugo, the outgoing parish priest of St Gabriel's Archway. It is a fruit of his 20 years of priestly ministry and covers homilies for all Sundays that helps to dispose us to get the most from the lessons of every Sunday. Fr. Ugo has left 25 copies for our parish on consignment. It has been significantly discounted at <u>£15.</u> Please put your payment in the box marked "<u>Repository</u>" or put your money in an envelope and write "<u>payment for book</u>" then drop it in the parish office mailbox.

## FORTHCOMING ASSITED DYING BILL

Bishop John Sherrington, Lead Bishop for Life Issues for the Catholic Bishop's Conference has written an open letter inviting all Catholics to pray for the defeat of the Assisted Dying Bill to be debated by the House of Lords in October. The letter encourages them to write to peers of the House of Lords stating the reasons why they oppose this legislation and particularly explain from personal experience the reasons why this change in the law should be opposed. It urges discussion and communication about this important matter.

Stress in your marriage? RETROUVAILLE is a programme for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness,. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to communicate with their spouse about it..

## FREEDOM FROM TORTURE

The situation of refugees already in this country, and currently arriving in search of safety and a place to live their lives, is very much on our minds and in the news at the moment. <u>Freedom from</u> <u>Torture</u> provides vital support to those refugees who have been victims of torture. They run social groups where fellow torture sufferers can partake in therapeutic and fun activities. This will help torture survivors rebuild their lives.

One of the most influential ways that this Charity help with legal bureaucracy facing Asylum seekers is by providing Medico- Legal Reports (MLR). These reports are used to examine the effects of torture and assessing its impact on a person's life. The Charity has its Head Office and a therapy centre in Hornsey Road and so is a very local organisation. At the moment members of the Parish are involved in a Fundraiser for Freedom from torture and would be very grateful of any donations you could make. We can assure you that every penny will be very much appreciated."

For more information go to website: <u>https://www.freedomfromtorture.org</u>

## Calling for New Catechists

Everyone is encouraged to prayerfully consider becoming a Catechist. Without the help of Catechists we cannot pass on our faith to the future of our Catholic faith...<u>our children.</u> Not only will you help share our faith and your love of God, you might be surprised to find that you will learn and grow in your faith just as much as the students.

Please contact us to express your interest. holloway@rcdow.org.uk or contact Elizabeth in the parish office.

### COURSES AND RETREATS At the London Jesuit Centre

Introduction to the Old Testament – (begins Sept 23, 2021). The Old Testament is essential to understanding the history of salvation and the course will map out the main arc of the Old Testament narrative by exploring four central themes: creation, covenant, prophecy and kingship.

## PRAYER FROM SCRATCH- (begins 29th

**Sept)** Prayer is at the very heart of the Christian life and this course, over 5 Wednesdays, will help participants see prayer in a new way. There will be time for discussions and reflection. The full list: go to www.londoniesuitcentre.org.