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Your generosity enables us to pay the parish bills. Thank you!

For online giving, please go to:

www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk

and click Support.

Parish Bank Account Details.

Account name: WRCDT Holloway

Sorting Code: 40-05-20

Account Number: 71308319

Address: HSBC, 69 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EY

Weekly envelopes can be mailed in or you can drop them in the parish house's letterbox (front door)

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 **gift aid** 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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Parish Office opening times for Admin-

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:30am- 3:00pm (but emails are checked daily)

Second Sunday after the Nativity
2nd January 2022

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

2 nd January 2022 Second Sunday after The Nativity	6:00 (Sat. Vigil Mass)	Margaret Keohane R.I.P Anniversary
	8:30 am Mass	For the Parish
	11:00 am Mass (live-streamed via ZOOM)	Comfort Anetor R.I.P Marcial Santamaria R.I.P Anniversary
3 rd January Monday Christmas Feria	10:00 am Mass	Philomena R.I.P
4 th January Tuesday	No Mass	
5 th January Wednesday Christmas Feria	9:15 am Mass	Michael Dolan Mary Krzenieniewski R.I.P
6 th January Thursday +THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	10:00 am Mass School Attending	Derek Turner R.I.P Anniversary.
7 th January Friday Christmas Feria	9:15 am Mass	Fr. David Irwin R.I.P
8 th January Saturday . Christmas Feria		11:00-12:00 noon Confessions and by appointment Bridie Ryme R.I.P
9 th January 2022 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	8.30 am Mass	Maimie Rooney R.I.P
	11.00 am Mass (live streamed via ZOOM)	Michael Coyle R.I.P

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

1. This prologue to John's Gospel is a piece of poetry. Like all poetry one of the ways to enter into it is to read it a few times slowly and let the words and images speak to you.
2. The prologue proclaims Jesus as the true light come into the world. How has Jesus, and the message of Jesus, been a light for you in your life?
3. The prologue also affirms the transforming power of faith: 'to all who received him ... he gave power to become children of God'. How would you describe the difference it makes to you to have faith as part of your life?
4. In Jesus we get a glimpse of God and of the love of God. But as 'Jesus people' in the world today we also are called to be witnesses to the light. Who has been a witness to you? To whom have you been a witness?

A BLESSED NEW YEAR - On behalf of the parish team and myself, we wish you a Happy New Year. Thank you for supporting Sacred Heart Parish in Holloway and all its ministries particularly in these difficult times. Thank you to everyone who have given their time, treasure and talents throughout the year, a special thanks to stewards and cleaners, food bank volunteers, catechists, and Ministers of the Eucharist who take communion to the sick and housebound. Thank you too for all the cards and gifts received during Christmas period. Thank you for your generosity. Be assured of our prayers and please keep us in your prayers as well. May the Lord continue to bless you as you have blessed our parish with your presence. If all is well, I shall be taking my post-Christmas break on 8th January to see my family. Have a Blessed New Year. *Fr. Gideon*

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, Sean Christian Elizabeth Feeley, Michael Bradley, Margaret Collins, Mary Ryan, Angeles Wong, Tony Reilly, Mary Egan, Colman Connelly, Ngozi Elong, Christopher Browne, Brian Conway Crystal 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

Derek Turner, Marcial Santamaria, Margaret Keohane, Martin Mc Carthy, Brian Mpunga, Ann & Kathleen Rainsford, Joe Ward, James Brefo, Noel Kennedy, Philip Yambao, Peter Zolero, John Danquah.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Lil Traynor, Kathleen Sisman, Comfort Anetor, James Gray, David Irwin, Emil Virary, John Finbow, Ann Treanor Anna Speroni. Edward Bates, Alan Barker, Dennis Mendoza, Patsy Toolan, Seamus Costello, Jean Moran, Roslyn Lashley, Catherine Acholonu, Eliseo Delfin, Bridie Friel, Eileen Ely, Sherlito de la Cruz, Cesar Tabuzo, Giuseppe, Michael Reardon, Claire Hallmark.

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. 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.

BAPTISM

Babies are usually baptised in the first 6 months after birth. To book a baptism for your child, please contact the parish office. Parents of the child must practice their faith and registered members of the parish. At least one parent of the child and the godparent must supply us with their Catholic baptismal certificate and the child's birth certificate. Parents and godparents must attend a baptismal preparation meeting beforehand. Please contact the parish office for further details.

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME

2021-2022

The next parent's session is at 7:00 pm on **Wednesday 11th January** 2021 in the parish hall. The next session for children will be on **Saturday 15th Saturday at 9:30 a.m.**

CONFIRMATION 2022

Young people who are 14 years old and above (Year 9 or above) are eligible to join the Confirmation Programme 2022.

You still can join, please contact the parish office. Next week will be announced when the confirmation course starts.

First Parents' meeting is on Thursday 3rd February at 7:00 pm. First meeting for young people is on Thursday 10th February at 7:00 pm.

CRIB OFFERINGS- any offerings placed in the box are given to the Catholic Children Society which works non-denominationally across the diocese to support families and children with therapy, bereavement support, counselling and through their family centres in Poplar and Nottinghill. Please be generous.

The crib is up until Sunday 9th January. The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

CONTACTLESS DONATIONS:

This donation method has proved to be easy and safe, and it is practical, as we don't normally carry cash nowadays. If you give your Sunday offering using the contactless machine at the entrance of the church, please gift aid your offering if you're a taxpayer. You can take a photo on the QR code displayed in the machine – you can then fill in the online form at home. At no extra cost to yourself, this will increase your donation by 25%.

Winners at our Christmas Raffle Draw on 19th December 2021:

Top Extra Prize- 2 Tickets to "FROZEN" The Musical - Won by James Kiernan
1st Prize - £250 - Janet Pineda
2nd Prize- £100 – Won by 07391120092
3rd Prize -£ 50- won by Marjorie Soriano
CONSOLATION PRIZES

- Air Fryer - Won by LUDY c/o Medy Yambao
- Huge Xmas Hamper- Won by Steve Harvey
- Posh Cake – Won by Mrs Manwaring
- Fit Bit - Won by Lilian Finez
- Dinner Voucher- ALCEDO'S Bistro – Won by Mrs Naamo.

All winners have been notified.

Thank you for your generosity and hard work in supporting the Christmas Draw. The total net is: £2, 526.27

'The New Testament for the Perplexed' 5 online talks by Fr John Deehan, part of the 'The God Who Speaks' series.

Date: Thursday, 13th, 20th, 27th January, 3rd and 10th February

Time: 7.00pm – 8.00pm Venue: Online Zoom meeting.

Register through Eventbrite

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-god-who-speaks-the-new-testament-for-the-perplexed-tickets-221344626737>

Contact By Email: For queries, contact Anna annadupelycz@rcdow.org.uk

Contact by Phone: 020 7798 9026

GUIDANCE TO CHURCHES-DECEMBER 2021 – Safety This Christmas

- **Please stay at home if you have a cough, are sneezing or unwell.**
- **Masks to be worn (including and especially when Congregation sings);**
- **Social distancing**
- **Refrain from physical interaction where possible**

Please get your booster shots as soon as you can. Please don't listen to the misinformation around, especially from social media (some of it given out by misguided people). Rather, let's listen to Pope Francis:

"I believe that morally everyone must take the vaccine. It is the moral choice because it is about your life but also the lives of others. I do not understand why some say that this could be a dangerous vaccine... We have realised that we are on the same boat, all of us fragile and disoriented, but at the same time important and needed, all of us called to row together, each of us in need of comforting the other."

As of today, 5.33 million people have died from COVID-19, so we must do all we can to stop illness, stop the pressure on our NHS, and stop unnecessary deaths. May the best Christmas present we can give anyone this year is to take our moral and Catholic duty so seriously that our actions in regard to this virus demonstrate that we love neighbours as we love ourselves. @ Fr Richard Leonard SJ

Food-bank- Sacred Heart Community COVID Response.

The products most needed are:

Rice, Pasta, Flour, tinned goods, tuna, tinned tomatoes, tea, sweetcorn, porridge oats, long life milk, etc. **Toiletries:** Hand wash, shower gel, toothpaste, deodorant, washing up liquid, laundry detergent, nappies etc.

If you would like to donate these items, please leave them at the back of the church and they will be taken by volunteers to the food bank room.