

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 03 May 2015.

Envelopes: £514.30

Loose: £338.04

Standing Orders £686.75 (Mar/Week)

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

JUST MOVED in to the PARISH?

Welcome Please register by completing a registration form from the parish office.

PLANNED GIVING (TITHING)

It is deciding how much of your income to regularly give to the work of your Parish. This will help us **budget** for the years ahead.

STANDING ORDER

It is not always possible to attend Mass in your own parish every week, like when you're on holiday. The most effective way to give is via a standing order from your bank account. All you need to do is fill in our Planned Giving Form, sign it, and return it to the office.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2015

Gift Aid? It's worth it!

It is *important* to **gift aid** your offering to the church (envelopes or standing order). This means that the government will top up your offering by 25p for every £1 at no extra expense 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 the office or ask Fr. Gideon.

CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:30am- 3:00pm.



MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

<p>10th May Sixth Sunday of Easter (Next Sunday, Catholic Communication Collection)</p>	6:00 pm (Sat. Vigil Mass)	Gerry Murtagh R.I.P- Anniversary
	8:30 AM	Frances Byrne R.I.P
	10:15 AM	Louis & Philomena R.I.P Anniversary
	12:00 AM	John Joseph Walsh R.I.P
<p>11th May Monday Easter Feria</p>	9:15 am Mass	Grace Williams - Intentions
<p>12th May Tuesday</p>	No Mass	
<p>13th May Wednesday Our Lady of Fatima</p>	9:15 am Mass	Theresa, Justine and Bernard - Intentions
<p>14th May Thursday St Matthias</p>	9:15 am Mass	Dirce Acuti- R.I.P
<p>15th May Friday Easter Feria</p>	9:15 am Mass	Frances Byrne – R.I.P
<p>16th May Saturday Easter Feria</p>	6:00pm (Sat. Vigil Mass)	Arimee Ernis - Ints
<p>17th May The Ascension of the Lord (Special Collection- Catholic Communications)</p>	8:30 am Mass	Frances Byrne- R.I.P
	10:15am Mass	Mary O'Callaghan - R.I.P
	12:00 Noon Mass First Holy Communion Celebration –Group 1	For the Parish

NEWSLETTER 10th May 2015
Sixth Sunday of Easter

'The Deep End – What does it mean to be a branch?'

As with all good vine growers, God cares for his crop, nurturing it, pruning it, giving it all it needs so that it can grow and reach its full potential. We are no doubt the branches. What does it mean to be a branch? Branches must be connected to the vine or they bear no fruit. Even those branches that do bear fruit, they need pruning so that they can grow and bear even more fruit. As we are all too well aware, productivity seems to be the measure of success in the world today, in our education system, in the workplace, in economics; we are measured by what we produce. Is Jesus really adding on the pressure in the Gospel passage by telling us that he wants to see results or else!?

Perhaps we can read this passage in terms of connectivity. Think of your most intimate friendships and relationships. You don't measure their weight in terms of produce do you? But do you want to stay connected right? It is this closeness, this intimacy that Jesus call us to: 'abide in me'.

Are you connected or disconnected? If the connection is strong, then fruit bearing comes naturally and people will see the Gospel in our lives and in the way we respond to the world. If we are connected, all manner of things are possible for us.

'People see the Gospel in our lives; let them read our lives' Jane Mellett @Intercom

CAFOD- NEPAL EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

CAFOD has launched a £3m emergency appeal following the earthquake in Nepal. Thousands of people in this already impoverished country have been killed and many thousands more are in urgent need of food, water, shelter and emergency supplies. 8 million people are affected. CAFOD is responding with Church partners and has deployed a team to provide specialist support.

You can visit cafod.org.uk/Nepal

(There will be a retiring collection this weekend in support of CAFOD's appeal).

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:

John Mazzone, Gerry Johnson, Edwina Toson, Stelly Varela, Martin Rainsford, Sarah Lane, Christopher Fradley, Michael Long, Lily Chiwooke. Charlie Crane, Rosa Nicholls Maria Louis, Stella Turner, Michael Cole, Steadman Descartes, Joe Samuels, John and Nora Harkin, Eileen Ely, Taliah Sampson, Judette Palmer, Paddy McGravey, Maria Ward, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Margaret Lonergan, Eileen Lucas, Alison McGoff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Chris Eisen, Ben and Margaret Deignan, Mary Morrissey, Stephanie Enepi.

and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries:

Jamie Taylor, Agostino Solari, Sr. Elisa Vanin, Joe Neary, Johnny Lydon, Stanley Richards, Mary Walsh, Gerry Murtagh, Louis & Philomena, Sandrapragsam,

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Frances Byrne, Helen Bradley, Andrew O'Brien, Joe Samuels, Anne Morrissey, Fiona Mercy Ofori-Acheampong, David Pinto Quintanilla, Lillian Appino, Tanya Ba Obeid, Helen Bradley, Patrick Kerwick, Annie Staddon, Siobhan Catherine Ryan, John Breslin,

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

PARISH WEBSITE

www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk

Please do not confuse it with the old website's address which is now defunct:

www.sacredheartchurchholloway.co.uk

BAPTISM

Babies are usually baptised in the first 6 months of life. To book a baptism for your child, please contact the parish priest. Parents of the child must be **registered** members of the parish. At least one parent of the child needs to supply us with their **Catholic baptismal certificate** and the child's **birth certificate**. Parents and godparents must attend some baptism preparation beforehand. **The next parents' and godparents' meeting will be announced in May.**

MARRIAGE

Six months' notice must be given for marriage, whether here or elsewhere. Please contact Fr. Gideon. To make an appointment email: holloway@rcdow.org.uk

CONFIRMATION

Next session will be on **Thursday 14 May at 7:00pm** in the parish classroom.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The rehearsal for the first group First Holy Communion Mass will be at 10am on Saturday 16th May. Please arrive promptly.

First Holy Communion Masses will be at the 12:00 Mass on 17th and 24th May.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS (UCM)

Meets on the 1st Sunday of the month after the 12:00noon Mass. All mothers are welcome.

DIVINE MERCY DAY OF PRAYER

On Saturday 16 May 2015 (12 noon to 4 pm) another Divine Mercy day of prayer will be held at St. Mary of the Angels, Moorhouse Road, London W2 5DJ.. The day will begin with a procession and Mass, celebrated by Fr. Wacław Pokrzywnicki, MIC, and will include a talk on Divine Mercy by Mgr. Keith Bartrop, Eucharistic adoration and Divine Mercy Healing Service, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Tea and coffee provided: please bring your own lunch.

**Cardinal's Visit
on Friday 12th June
Feast of Sacred Heart.**

Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be visiting the Parish to celebrate Thanksgiving Mass followed by blessing of our new Parish/School annexe building. The Mass will be at 3:00pm. After Mass we will process to the new building for the blessing ceremony. **Everyone is invited!!!**

SPIRIT IN THE CITY 10-13 June 2015

Spirit in the City is a celebration of Christian faith in the heart of London, hosted by the Catholic churches in the West End. The annual festival aims to share the Good news of Christianity, and welcomes people of all faiths, ages and walks of life in the middle of the entertainment district. It gives an opportunity to raise deeper questions about life. We are all searching for new ways to connect with God and others around us. The events feature live music, workshops, talks, opportunities for prayer, reflection and reconciliation. *Collect a copy of the programme before leaving church today! and save these dates.*

**SUMMER VOLUNTEERING @
WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL**

Westminster Cathedral is at present looking for Summer Volunteers to introduce people to the beauty and history of the Cathedral. If you would be interested in giving some of your time to this. We are looking for people aged over 18. Hours will be to suit usually mornings or afternoons for as many or as few sessions as you want to do during the period June to September. Training will be given. For more details please contact: Anne Marie Micallef. Tel: 020 7931 6067 or annemariam@rcdow.org.uk

MUSINGS

In today's Gospel we encounter that familiar passage in which Jesus declares that there is a no greater love than to lay down one's life for our friends. We often interpret this as making the ultimate sacrifice in extreme circumstances. However, we are more likely to be challenged on this in less dramatic, but often more chronically difficult ways: when we are called to make major adjustments to our way of life in order to find the best facilities for a child with disability; when we choose to care full-time for an elderly or sick relative; whenever we sacrifice our personal happiness or fulfilment for the benefit of another. Salvador Ryan@ Intercom

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT GROUP

The Westminster Vocations Discernment Group is for young adults (18-30's) seeking to know God's will for their lives. We meet from 7-9pm on the fourth Sunday of each month in the Hinsley Room, Morpeth Terrace next to Westminster Cathedral. For more info and a full programme of the group's meetings, please contact Fr Richard at richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk

Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm.

Venue Hinsley Room, Morpeth Terrace.

**National Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to
Walsingham**

In a few months we shall embark on the Year of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis. This gives a special resonance to our 6th National Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Walsingham this year, which can be seen as an opportunity to prepare for this Year and to pray that it will be a fruitful experience.

Saturday 6 June 2015, 11 am-5 pm.

All welcome, no registration needed, for more information contact: DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE Marian Fathers, 1 Courtfield Gardens, London, W13 0EY

T: 020 8998 0925, info@divinemercury.org.uk

www.divinemercuryapostolate.co.uk

Collection for the Priest Training Fund

Thank you for helping the Priest Training Fund. This parish raised £557.38 and all of this money will be used to encourage vocations and to fund the training of priests.