

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 4th Feb 2018.

Envelopes: Weekly £694.8

Loose: £345.61

Standing Orders £892, 75 (Dec/week)

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

Text Giving- is quick and easy way to make donation towards the upkeep and running costs at Sacred Heart. Just text "PARISH HOLLO" to this number: 70800, to donate £5 automatically. This amount will be added to your phone bill.

For online giving, please go to:
www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk
and click **support**. Thank you.

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.

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.

CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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



**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11th February 2018**

THE DEEP END: 'Stretched out his hand...'

Jesus, in today's gospel, cures a leper by the healing touch of his hand. A leper was completely outcasted from society, and still today there are many people in our own society who are completely alienated and stigmatised. Jesus is moved with pity for this man. What moves you with pity? Who do you pity? What alienates you from others? Who is alienated in our communities? Who is it that we need to reach out to? Jesus' 'pity' also conveys anger at the leper's situation. Jesus sends the man to the priests, as a testimony to them. It is the religious of Jesus' time who have alienated this man. What they are incapable of doing, Jesus has done by 'stretching out his hand' in love.

Jesus, in Mark's Gospel, is forever asking people to keep quiet and not tell anyone about what he does. Yet, after such a radical encounter with God which frees this man from all that keeps him trapped, of course he would be shouting from the roof tops. Why would Jesus want his miracles to be kept a secret? Jesus wants to be able to fulfil his mission without attracting the wrong kind of attention. Eventually those who are against him will compile evidence but, for now, the less they know the better. We might think today of those who bravely speak out, even if it means they are punished in some way. May all of us have the courage, like the man who is healed in the gospel today, to proclaim the truth, even if it costs us.

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MASS TIME ON ASH WEDNESDAY 14th FEBRUARY 10:00am

A reminder that Mass with the distribution of ashes will be celebrated at **10:00AM.**

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

11th February Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Next Sunday- CAFOD Harvest Fast Day- Collection.	6:00 pm Sat. <i>Vigil Mass</i>	Margaret Lonergan R.I.P. Anniversary RCIA- Rite of Acceptance
	8:30 am Mass	Francis Ruane R.I.P Rudi Genovese R.I.P – Anniv.
	11:00 am Mass	Josefa Redruello R.I.P – Anniversary Joe and Maria Ward (Ints).
12 th February Monday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Michael Toolan – R.I.P
13 th February Tuesday Feria	No Mass	
14 th February Wed. ASH WEDNESDAY	10:00 am Mass	For the Parish
15 th February Thursday. Lent Feria	9:15 am Mass	Bruno Solari R.I.P - Anniv
16 th February Friday Lent Feria	9:15 am Mass	Helen Bradley R.I.P - Anniv
17th February –Sat. Lent Feria	11:00- 12:00 noon 6:00 pm <i>Vigil Mass</i>	<i>Confessions</i> Pauric Dolan – R.I.P Anniv.
	18th February First Sunday of Lent CAFOD Harvest Fast Day- Collection.	8:30 am Mass 11:00 am Mass

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:

Edgar and Josefina Losa, Keith Hunt, Baby Michael James Elliot, Maria Louis, Crystal Green, Dolores Crowley, Ludvina King, Justino Villegas, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, John Regan, Rosa Santos, Tom Kelly, Mary Wong, Michael Bailey, Ada Bacarini, Eillen Graham, Martine Rainsford, Christopher Fradley, Edwina Toson, Charlie Crane, Nora Harkin, Eileen Ely, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison Mc Goff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Ben & Margaret Deignan, Mary Morrissey, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries: Helen Bradley, Clifford Price, Michael Houlihan, Mgr.Chuka Egbe, Rudi Genovese, Josefa Redruello, Margaret Dolan, Teresa Kennelly, Thomas Bernardo, John Joe Ferguson, Annie Murtagh,, Sean Dolan, Claudio Rigolli, Ykaloo Michael, Mezaha Tesfu, Rosa Nicolas, Gilberto Ero, Michael Costin.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Brian Mpunga, Jose Ballesteros, Patrick Boylan, Thomas Clarke, Helena Bolotny, Veronica Manning, Patrick Hayes, Ellen Howard, Margaret Kinsella, Sheila Connolly, Sheila Lasok, Lucy Ugoala.

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

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.

CHOIR PRACTICE is usually on **Thursdays @ 8:00pm** at the Parish house. The day however, is movable depending on the availability of most members. Please ask Peggy for more details. Everyone welcome

SACRAMENTS

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.

The next preparation course for Baptism will take place in the parish at 7:00 pm on Monday 19th February & Monday 5th March 2018. Parents and godparents need to attend both days.

In order to make the most of the meeting, we would like to recommend, leave the children at home, having them might be distracting for you and other attendants.

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2017-2018

Reminder: next First Holy Communion meeting is for parents. It will be on Wednesday 21st Feb at 7pm.

SACRAMENTS: Please keep in your prayers our children preparing for First Holy Communion and also our youth preparing to be Confirmed and those being baptised as well as their families and also our adult parishioners who will be joining our Catholic family this Easter.

R.C.I.A.

Please welcome and keep in your prayers Paula, Margaret and Samantha who are preparing to be baptised and/or confirmed. We look forward to welcoming them at their Rite of Acceptance on Sat 10th at the 6pm Mass. We would also like to say a big thank you to new RCIA catechist Mark Joseph for all his support.

Lent Faith Sharing: Lenten Prayer Group: Please join us on Fridays during Lent for Stations of the Cross followed at 7.30pm with a time of prayer and reflection. First session 16th Feb. All are welcome.

DONATIONS NEEDED:

Do you have any spare toys, children's books and DVDs (all ages) related to the Catholic faith that are in good condition? We would be grateful for your donations for children to use for catechesis etc. Please leave in the box at the back of the church or hand in to the parish office. Thank you to the kind family who have already donated a number of books for young children to use during Mass to help them participate more fully.

Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony –

takes place at Westminster Cathedral, on Saturday 19th May 2018 at 3pm. The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their **5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60)** wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2018. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish secretary the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

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Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School Nursery Applications for September 2018

If your child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015, they are eligible to start the Nursery in September 2018. You need to apply to the School by completing an application form and supplementary information form.

All applications for places must be submitted by: **Thursday 15th March 2018**

BUILDING A BRIDGE:

The LGBT Catholic Westminster Pastoral Council is mandated by Cardinal Nichols to promote pastoral support in Westminster Diocese. Using "Building A Bridge". Fr. James Martin SJ's book, you are invited to monthly reflections on these themes. The evenings take place at the Parish Hall, 114 Mount Street, Mayfair, London from 18:30 to 20:30 on the following **Thursdays: 22 Feb, 22 March, 26 April, 24 May and more.** Light refreshments are available. The cost is **£10.** See lgbtcatholicswestminster@gmail.com Or call **020 8986 0807**

Conversations at Sacred Heart is a safe space for you to voice your views and feelings about a wide range of topics. The objective is to open ourselves to better and deeper conversations with others, and create a stronger community.

In 2017, our sessions covered 'career change', 'terrorism', 'share beliefs without fear of judgement' and 'does the middle ground exist?'

To celebrate Racial Justice Sunday, we'll open the 2018 program with a dialogue on this topic. Whatever your views, beliefs and feelings, you're welcome to join us.

Topic: **RACIAL JUSTICE**

Thursday 15/02 - 19:00am - 21:00pm

Location: Sacred Heart Parish

Facilitator: Paula Oliveira, in training with NNI Dialogue Institute.

Please confirm attendance at the parish or by email holloway@rcdow.org.uk

Can you spare an hour and a half once a month? If so, join the team of cleaners for the church, they're looking for new members. Please call Juliana on 07960 541286.

Liturgy of the Word for Children

We are very happy to invite children who are 4 to 8 years old or who are at school in Reception to year 3; to participate on Sunday at 11:00 am Mass, in the 'Liturgy of the Word with Children'. Unfortunately, due to limited resources, we are not able to invite younger or older kids to the Children's Liturgy. **Next meet up for CLW catechists is 11th Feb in the classroom after the 11am Mass. Anyone interested in joining the team is welcome.**

Calling Catholic Teachers

The Diocese of Westminster Education Service is hosting an evening to engage with Catholic teachers and leaders currently working outside of Catholic education.

We will also provide an opportunity to register for a mentoring programme for those who wish to be accompanied and supported on their journey in to Catholic school leadership positions.

6th February 2018 at 6.30 - 8pm

Vaughan House, Francis St, Lon.SW1P 1QN

Register intention to attend at