**CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF**

 **JESUS, HOLLOWAY**



**A parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster**

 **62 Eden Grove, Holloway N7 8EN**

**Offertory Collections**

**Sunday 5th October**

**Envelopes: £634.06**

**Loose: £429.44**

**Standing Orders £666.05** (Aug./Week)

CAFOD Fast Day to date: £

*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 office.

**PLANNED GIVING (OFFERING)**

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 2014**  **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.

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 Parish Priest: Fr. Gideon Wagay

Mrs.Elizabeth Ocampo- Admin Assistant

**Parish Office opening times for Admin**

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

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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| **12th October** **Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time***(Next Sunday, World Mission Day)* | **(6.00pm** **Sat. Vigil Mass)****8:30 AM****10:15 AM****12:00 AM** | **Keith Potter R.I.P - Anniv****Sarah Crosby R.I.P****Pierre Imbert R.I.P – Anniv****Dena Adams R.I.P** |
| **13th October Monday****St Edward the Confessor** | 9:15 am Mass  | Fr Alan Ashton R.I.P |
| **14th October Tuesday**  | No Mass |  |
| **15th October Wednesday** St Teresa of Jesus | 9:15am Mass(Yr. 3D at Mass)  | Mrs Gloria - Intentions |
| **16th October Thursday**St Margaret Mary Alocoque | 9:15 am Mass | Kunle Odunewu R.I.P |
| **17th October Friday** St Ignatius of Antioch | 9:15 am Mass | Mr David - Intentions |
| **18th October Saturday** St Luke, Evangelist | 10;00-11:00 Confessions (or by appointment).**6:00pm** **(Sat. Vigil Mass)**  | **Vittoria Pedretti** |
| **19th October****Twenty ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time***(World Mission Day)* | **8:30 AM****10:15 AM****12:00 AM** | **Ann and Xavier****For the Parish****Edwina Toson - Intentions**  |

***Newsletter* Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**12th October 2014**

**Black tie only**

Wedding can be stressful time. Have you ever seen the TV show ”Bridezilla”, which pokes fun at the demands certain brides place on their families and wedding guests? Inevitably the bride ends up falling out with family and friends in her quest to organise the ‘perfect’ wedding.

 Admittedly the wedding industry can be mind-boggling. Some wedding invitations even come with a dress code for guests. But it is difficult to imagine what sort of bride or groom, or their parents, would evict a wedding guest just for wearing the wrong style of clothing.

Yes here is Jesus telling us that the kingdom of heaven is just like that. Those who are not prepared for this banquet will find themselves ‘thrown out’. It is hard to reconcile a loving merciful God with such a heavy-handed approach. Expect, it’s not a really up to God, is it? Look again at the reaction of the different groups to the king’s generous invite. The first were a no-show. The second group were not interested despite a reminder of the hospitality on offer, and some were openly hostile. And of those who accepted the invitation, some did not embrace the experience wholeheartedly. The guess who had no wedding garment was unprepared and unappreciative of the gifts on offer. Perhaps his heart just wasn’t in it. @ Intercom

 **Next Sunday 19th October is World Mission Sunday- Celebrated in every country where the Catholic Church is present. It is the one day in the year when our family of faith joins together to pray and give for the good of poorer parishes overseas. Donations given to World Mission Sunday go in their entirety to help mission parishes overseas that cannot support themselves- over 1,069 dioceses mostly in Africa and Asia.**

**Signing of Priest’s Reference Forms for Secondary Transfer to Catholic Schools** **only: (Last Day)**

Next **TUESDAY 14TH OCTOBER, 9:00AM- 11:00** will be the last dayto meet parents/carers to sign priest references. Kindly have your completed priest reference form(s) from the school(s) that you are applying for ready when you come. *Fr. Gideon*

**MASS OF WELCOME**

Deanery of Islington gathers for a Mass of Welcome celebrated by our new auxiliary ***Bishop Nicholas Hudson***, on Tuesday 14th October at 7pm at St John’s, Duncan Terrace, Islington. Followed by light refreshments. All are most welcome.

**VOCATION EVENTS FOR OCTOBER**

“Come and See” day at Allen Hall seminary for men (18+) discerning a calling to the priesthood on Saturday 25 October. A chance to join the seminary community for its annual Douai Martyrs celebration and reflect on our own calling to witness to Christ today. For more info and to book a place, contact Fr Richard at richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk

Vocation Discernment Group for adults (18-30’s) meets on Friday 24 October, 7-9pm in the Hinsley Room next to Westminster Cathedral. Fr Matt Blake ODC on: “St Teresa of Avila and Carmelite Spirituality” For more info contact Fr Richard at richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk

**DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF KNOCK, IRELAND**

Organised by Divine Mercy Apostolate – Marian Fathers. From Friday 14 November to Tuesday 18 November 2014. More information and booking: 1 Courtfield Gardens, London, W13 0EY Tel: 020 8998 0925. Email: info@divinemercy.org.uk

 **MUSINGS**

The First Reading from Isaiah today will be familiar to many, as it is often the reading chosen for funeral Masses. It promises a time of feasting when the tears of mourning will be wiped from our faces and death will be no more. When Gaelic Irish bardic poets

 spoke of heaven, they loved the idea of wine-feast where ’cup-bearer never fails’ and hostess (Virgin Mary) quickly fills up empty wine vessels. At that feast the only thing missing would be a bouncer at the door, for a hospitable God would not want to keep anyone away. @Intercom

 **NOVEMBER: Month of the Holy Souls**

 **Cherish the Memory**… Our Catholic Faith teaches us to cherish the memory of our dead. It urges us to commune in prayer, especially at Mass, with the souls of those we loved while they walked on Earth. We are continually reminded that “life is changed, not ended.”

 An All Souls envelope will be included with your newsletter next Sunday (19th). Please write the names of your deceased relatives and friends and place it on the envelopes provided with your kind donation. All Souls envelopes are also provided at the back of Church and in porch.

 **SAMUEL GROUP**

Samuel groups are discernment groups for young adults (18-38) who are open to listening to the Word of God and putting it into practice in their lives. This year groups will meet in Central, North, East, Central West and South West London. After a launch afternoon in Kensington on the afternoon of 2nd November, participants will meet in local groups from November to Pentecost. For more information or to request an application form phone 07503241127 or visit [www.ukvocation.org/samuel](http://www.ukvocation.org/samuel) .

**IN CASE YOU ARE ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL**

In light of data protection please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you

**“DAY FOR LIFE”**

In a special message to Catholics across Britain and Ireland for the annual Day for Life, Pope Francis has emphasised the need to care for life from conception to natural end.

In his message, he says that all life has inestimable value ‘even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.’

He has promised his prayers that ‘Day for Life will help to ensure that human life always receives the protection that it is due.’

Over half-a-million leaflets have been sent to parishes in England and Wales in readiness for Day for Life – Sunday, 28 July.

The theme of the Day is ‘Care for Life – It’s Worth It’ taken from a homily preached by Cardinal Bergoglio in 2005 during a Mass in honour of the protector of Pregnant Women, Saint Raymond Nonnatus.

Within this homily, the now Pope Francis said:

“All of us must care for life, cherish life, with tenderness, warmth… to give life is to open (our) heart, and to care for life is to (give oneself) in tenderness and warmth for others, to have concern in my heart for others.

“Caring for life from the beginning to the end. What a simple thing, what a beautiful thing… So, go forth and don’t be discouraged. Care for life. It’s worth it.”

This year’s Day for Life focuses on care for unborn children and their mothers; care for people who are elderly and care for those who are suicidal and their families.

One of its key aims is to build an environment of compassion and care that nurtures and sustains life, even in the most challenging of human events and personal circumstances.

**Message from Pope Francis to Catholics in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales**

“Calling to mind the teaching of Saint Irenaeus that the glory of God is seen in a living human being, the Holy Father encourages all of you to let the light of that glory shine so brightly that everyone may come to recognise the inestimate value of all human life.

Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.

 **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 in the Parish meeting room, on: **Tuesday 4th November at 7:30pm**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

 **2014-2015**

Children in Year 3 or and above are eligible to begin preparation for their First Holy Communion and First Confession in 2015. Please collect an application form after Mass today. All completed application

forms must be returned on or before Sunday **19th October 2014**.

A meeting with parents/guardians to introduce the programme will take place on Wednesday **5th November 2014** at the Parish classroom at **7:00 – 8:30 pm**. Attendance to Parents/Guardians meeting is a must!

***Important Notice:*** A child must be baptised first before he/she is eligible to be accepted on the First Holy Communion Programme starts in November. Children applying for First Holy Communion must submit a copy of their Baptismal Certificate with the application form.

**MARRIAGE**

Six months’ notice must be given for marriage, whether here or elsewhere. The parish in which you are a resident has to do preparation and paperwork. Couples considering marriage should speak to the priest well in advance. To make an appointment email: holloway@rcdow.org.uk

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS**

 (UCM) Meets on the 1st Sunday of the month after the 12:00Noon Mass. All mothers are welcome.

**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:**

Edwina Toson, Helen Bradley, Eileen Ely , Joe Samuels, Taliah Sampson, Judette Palmer, Paddy McGravey, Maria Ward, Barbara Baptiste, Rosa Nicholls, Florence Collins, Cedric Cowell, Margaret Mulroy, , Margaret Lonergan, Eileen Lucas, Tanya Obid, Alison McGoff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Chris Eisen, Diana Johnson, Charlie Crane, Ben and Margaret Deignan, Mary Morrisey, Stephanie Enepi, Tom Murphy, Brian Harrington, ***and******all who are sick and housebound in the parish.***

 **Anniversaries**:

Keith Potter, Pierre Imbert, Sarah Crosby, Peggy Crane, Kenneth Squires, John Danquah, Gerardo Balingit, Iza Holmes, Ray Patterson, Jeremiah O’Sullivan, Lucy Ugoala, Janah Erika Navato, Berniece Simmonds, Urbain Occuli Virgel. May Johnson, Mary Heffernan, Nora O’Reilly, Columbus Itoya Iyayi.

**Please Pray for the Recently Dead:**

Robert Mowatt, Fr Alan Ashton, Canon Peter Phillips, Dena Adams, Vittoria Pedretti, Liam Lenihan, Andrea Justin, Johnny Patterson, Margaret Reynolds, Tish Smith, Luis Morales, Ryan Grey, Keith Harding, Tanya Page, Teresa Maher, Hughie Mc Daid, Thomas Collin, Philomena O’Reilly, Vicky Ybanez

“*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](http://www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk)

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

[www.sacredheartchurchholloway.co.uk](http://www.sacredheartchurchholloway.co.uk)

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