

Offertory Collections

Sunday 9th November

Envelopes: £463.64

Loose: £386.74

Standing Orders £671.50 (Sep./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 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 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.

CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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Newsletter 16th November

Thirty third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Deep End. 'The Parable of the Talents'

The parable we read today is not a lesson in capitalism. We must bear in mind that Jesus is frustrated with those who had been entrusted with ministering to his people. They had excluded the people and laid heavy burdens upon them. When we read the parable in this sense we can understand the exasperation of the Master. The talents should had been used to transform people's lives; used for embracing those on the margins; for standing up against justice and inequality in the world. Yet many were afraid or blind to this, so they hid the talents and did not multiply them. It is a safer place to be.

Compare this outcome to the other servants. There is a beautiful verse in both cases which reads *'enter into the joy of your Master'*. Is this not what happens when we find that the path that is right for us? Joy! When we use our talents and gifts in work or projects that are life-giving and meeting the needs of our communities? Joy is fantastic emotion; a sign of God's grace. Despite the frustration of whatever work we are involved in, the presence of joy is one sign that we are on the Kingdom track.

The challenge is not to be afraid to go out there. Pope Francis asks that we have the 'smell of the sheep' and call us to *'be courageous. A church that does not go out itself, sooner or later, sickens from the stale air of closed rooms'*. Jane Mellett@Intercom

PARISH CHIRSTMAS DRAW 2014

The annual Parish Christmas Draw will be held on Sunday 21st December after the 12:00noon Mass. All proceeds of the Draw will go towards furnishing/ signage of our new Parish Centre. Please collect your envelope of raffle tickets with your name on it at the back of the Church. The envelopes are arranged in alphabetical order. Please take envelopes that belongs to your neighbours and friends. By collecting your tickets, you will save us the cost of stamps if we are going to post the envelope of tickets to you.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

16th November Thirty third Sunday in Ordinary Time	(6.00pm Sat. Vigil Mass) 8:30 AM	Otello Cavana R.I.P Mrs R.J – Intentions
	10:15 AM	Holy Souls
	12:00 AM	Ykaalo Michael R.I.P – Anniv
17th November Monday St Hugh of Lincoln	9:15 am Mass	UCM Intentions
18th November Tuesday	No Mass	
19th November Wednesday Feria	9:15am Mass Year 4 M&R at Mass	Timothy Kelly & John O'Connor R.I.P - Anniversary
20th November Thursday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Deseased members of the Vanin Family R.I.P
21st November Friday The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9:15 am Mass	Holy Souls
22nd November Saturday St Cecilia	10:00-11:00 Confessions (or by appointment) 6:00pm (Sat. Vigil Mass)	Pat Costin - Intentions
Sunday 23 November Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Catholic Youth Service's C Collection	8:30 AM	Beryl Genovese R.I.P
	10:15 AM	Holy Souls
	12:00 AM	Bryan McNally R.I.P

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:

Frances Byrne, John Harkin, Leo Kilkenny, Yolanda Villegas, Edwina Toson, Helen Bradley, Eileen Ely, Joe Samuels, Taliah Sampson, Judette Palmer, Paddy McGravey, Maria Ward, Barbara Baptiste, 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 Morrissey, Stephanie Enepi. **and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.**

Anniversaries:

Margaret McGee, Ykaalo Michael, Sarah Toolan, Myra Richards Houlihan, Denis Lonergan, Sean Ahearne, Victoriano Suarez, Jack Curley, Ted & Tom Connor, Margaret & Joe Reddington, Keith Potter, Pierre Imbert, Sarah Crosby, Peggy Crane, Kenneth Squires, John Danquah.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Patrick Cullen, Dean Aka Samuels, Janusz Suliga, Martin Beeny, Fr. Gilberto Hoyos, Molly Wilson, John Clemo, Robert Mowatt, Fr Alan Ashton, Canon Peter Phillips, Dena Adams, Vittoria Pedretti, Liam Lenihan, Andrea Justin, Johnny Patterson, Margaret Reynolds, Tish Smith.

"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 in 2015. Watch this space, new date will be confirmed early January 2015.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
2014-2015

Today is Enrolment Mass for Candidates at 10:15am followed by session at 11:15am. The next candidate's session is on Sunday **23rd November**. Parents, please bring your children on time.

The next Parent's meeting (with children) is on **Wednesday 3rd December** from 7:00pm-8:00pm.

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

SICK AND RETIRED PRIEST'S FUND

Thank you for helping our Sick and Retired Priest in our Diocese. Last weekend this parish raised £397.90 for the Sick and Retired Priests' Fund and all of this money will be used to support elderly priests and those who are struggling with ill health. If you have not yet made a donation, it is not too late as the collection remains until the end of November. Donation envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Please give as much as you can afford.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS
UCM renewal Mass will be on Sunday 7th December at 12:00 Noon Mass.

FAITH MATTERS QUESTION TIME:
SHOULD RELIGION BE PART OF EDUCATION?

Tuesday 18th November 2014 – 7:00 – 8:30pm. Farm Street Church Hall, 114 Mount St, London W1K 3AH.

All welcome to an evening of lively panel debate on this important matter of faith and life today. Recommended donation: £7 on the door. Booking is essential via www.mountstreet.info

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT

One day Retreat of quiet Reflection on Saturday 29th Nov. 10:30am – 4:00pm at The Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory Warwick Street, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR. More info : 0208 542 2476

CATHOLIC SINGLES CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday 13 December at St Augustine's, Augustinian Centre, 55 Fulham Palace Road, Hammersmith W6 8AU. Music, games, cash bar and a chance to meet lots of people while celebrating Christmas. Please come along and bring friends, to help give us an idea of numbers please email gabriella@austin-forum.org or visit austin-forum.org for more info.

'ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST GOD'

Thursday 27 November 7:00pm – 8:30pm at Vaughan House.

The Advent 2014 series of Faith Matters talks will be dedicated to explore some big faith questions such as existence of God, suffering and secularization.

The second talk is led by Fr. Peter Hunter OP and is titled 'Arguments for and Against God'. There are many traditional arguments that claim to establish that there is a God? Do any of these arguments work? On the other hand many are disturbed in their faith by suffering and wickedness in the world around them. Do these provide a reason to say that there is no God? Registration is required via <http://rcdow.org.uk/faith/aff-events/> or <http://rcdow.org.uk/events/> or e-mail: livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk or 02079316078.

MUSINGS

The nineteenth-century English convert, Fr. Frederick W. Faber, is perhaps best known for his composition of *Faith of Our Fathers*. However another of his hymns, which speaks of God's limitless mercy, communicates an even more powerful message: 'There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea'. Faber notes, however, that 'we make his love to narrow by false limits of our own; and we magnify his strictness with a zeal he will not own'. And so we create a God who reflects our sense of justice rather than his. To paraphrase Voltaire: God made us in his image and likeness- and we have repaid the compliment.

R.C.I.A. Come and See

Anybody who is interested in finding more about the Catholic Church will need to contact Fr. Gideon either phone or email. Meetings will be scheduled soon. Watch this space.

PRAYER GROUP COCKFOSTERS

Meets at 8 pm every Monday for praise & worship, intercession, a talk and, finally, for personal prayer for those who desire this. People of all ages and denominations find both encouragement and fellowship. Some have also found physical, emotional or spiritual healing. We have been meeting for the last 42 years and thousands have come over the years, even from far away. New members are most welcome – just come and see!

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Christ the King 29 Bramley Rd N14 (Oakwood Station)

Holy Souls in November- As we remember our dead in November, we also think especially of those who are bereaved. One 13th Century Irish poet expresses this pain poignantly on the death of his young son, Angus: 'Only on loan had I Angus from God...he has gone to another father'. Calling him his 'young hero' and his 'eye's treasure', he expressed what many bereaved parents feel: why could I not die before he did? Instead, 'for the Lord of Heaven have I reared Angus, the half of my heart. There were no easy answers in the thirteenth century, nor are there today.