

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 15th Apr 2018.

Envelopes: Weekly £447.30

Loose: £330.055

Standing Orders £826.50 (Mar/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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Parish Office opening times for Admin

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

Fourth Sunday of Easter 22nd April 2018

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

22nd April Fourth Sunday of Easter Priest's Training Fund-Collection	6:00 pm Saturday <i>Vigil Mass</i>	Bill Pender – R.I.P
	8:30 am Mass	Mick Egan – Intentions
	11:00 am Mass	For the Parish
23 rd April Monday St George.	9:15 am Mass	Stanley Richards R.I.P – Anniv.
24 th April Tuesday	No Mass	
25 th April Wednesday. St Mark	10:00 am Funeral Mass	Ernie Fisher R.I.P
26 th April Thursday. Easter Feria	9:15 am Mass	Stella Maznik R.I.P – Anniv..
27 th April Friday Easter Feria	9:15 am Mass	Tony Hurill R.I.P
28th April Saturday. St Peter Chanel.	11:00- 12:00 noon	<i>Confessions</i>
	6:00 pm Vigil Mass	Joan Neary R.I.P
29th April Fifth Sunday of Easter	8:30 am Mass	Jean Chalkley R.I.P
	11:00 am Mass	Varela Family – Intentions
	12:15 pm Mass (Extra Mass)	First Holy Communion Mass Group A

THE DEEP END: The Good Shepherd

In Jesus' time, being a shepherd was not a pleasant job. Sheep became easily lost and the shepherd's job was to guide them back to safety. There were many dangers and the sheep were totally dependent on the shepherd. Shepherds would round up their sheep in the evening and guide them into their pen. But it had no gate so the shepherd would have to lie across the space in case the sheep were attacked in the night. The shepherds literally laid down their lives for their flock. John compares the sacrifice of the shepherd to the 'hired hand' who is not really committed to the flock. He does what he has to but flees at the first sign of trouble.

This Good Shepherd Sunday, the gospel describes Jesus as the 'genuine' Shepherd who wants a personal relationship with each one of us and who would lay down his life for us. The gospel emphasises the importance of relationship as the shepherd knows his flock and cares for them. They 'follow him' and it is not a Facebook or Twitter type of following, rather it is a genuine relationship. Everyone matters to the Good Shepherd, regardless of their situations. We are told 'I know my own and my own know me'. We are called today to follow Jesus in a more personal, more intimate way. Even when we stray off the path and get lost, it is then – especially – that the Good Shepherd comes looking for us.

'We think we are fleeing from God, but in fact we are running into his arms.' Meister Eckhart - Janet Mallett@Intercom.

'Priest Training Fund'

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. Today's second collection will support the Priest Training Fund. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 45 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 28 of whom are for our own Diocese, and last year eight men ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. The fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your gift ensures we can provide training for these men responding to Christ's call to dedicate their lives to serve God's people. Please be as generous as you can. Please also pray for vocations and for all our priests. If you do not have a donation leaflet, plenty are still available at the back of the church. You can donate online anytime at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

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:

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

Anniversaries: Stella Maznik, Stanley Richards, Joe Neary, Ann McKenna, Kathy Keane, Beryl Genovese, Frances Byrne, Arnel Bejosano.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Ernie Fisher, Joan Neary, Margaret Callnan, David Power, Grace Stephens, Ada Slater, Federico Gracilla, Brian Harrigan, Bridget Gill, Brian Mpunga, Jose Ballesteros.

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, date to be confirmed.

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 PARENTS: our final meeting is on Wednesday 25th at 7pm in the parish hall. Please bring your child's 'We Belong' book if it hasn't already been given to the parish. Also a reminder that the photographer will be available for those who would like to pre-order photos.

NEW TO THE SACRAMENTS? Are you interested in being confirmed, baptised or receiving First Holy Communion (either for yourself or your children)? Do you know someone in your family or at work or perhaps a friend who would like to find out more about our Catholic faith? Application and enquiry forms for all of these will begin appearing at the back of the church during May and June. Please keep an eye out for them.

CONGRATULATIONS: to our parishioner Paula Helena who will be confirmed at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 28th April

WE NEED YOU: We are looking for parishioners with a love of God and different talents to support us with a range of activities as catechists or support volunteers. If you are interested or would like to find out more please contact the parish or speak to our Catechetical Coordinator Nali (email: holloway@rcdow.org.uk mob: 07421749616). We will also be having a day for catechists/volunteers on **Saturday 23rd June from 10am-3.30pm** in the parish centre.

SACRED HEART FEAST DAY

CELEBRATIONS: please join us on Friday **8th June for Mass at 6pm** followed by fun and food in the parish hall. We currently have volunteers to help coordinate tables for England, the Philippines, Eritrea, Italy and Colombia. If you would like to organise a group to represent your country of origin or to be put in touch with the person coordinating your country please speak to Nali (mob: 07421749616)

PARENT'S CORNER: Children's Mass books are available at the back of the church for your children to borrow during Mass. You will also notice that a basket of felt hearts have been left out for children as you walked through the porch to enter Mass. Please encourage them to place the felt heart into the offertory when it is collected (as an offering of their heart) and explain to them that the offertory is a special time when we place our gifts before God.

OUR CATHOLIC HERITAGE

Catholic history at St Mary Moorfields 4-5 Eldon Street, London, EC2M 7LS. 11th May 6:45pm Refreshments. 7:30pm Talk will be on "Newman: A Light for Our Times", by Fr. Dermot Mansfield SJ and the 1st of June about St Thomas More. For more info go to www.stmarymoorfields.net

Love Heals Body Mind and Spirit Team

Welcome you to come on a one day retreat of quiet reflection. Saturday 28th April 2018 – 11:00am-5:00pm Church of Our Lady of the Assumption, Warwick St, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR Rosary, Latin Mass (Fr. Mark Elliott-Smith) Scripture Talk, Catholic Meditation, Adoration and Individual Healing Prayers. Enquiries - 020 8542 2476.

LA SAINTE UNION CATHOLIC SECONDARY

School – has a limited number of places available in year 7 & 8. If you are interested in applying for a place, please submit an 'in year application form available in the school website or email admissions@lsu.camden.sch.uk for further information or application form.

MUSINGS: Family Vocation Prayer

Dear Jesus, thank you for giving your life for us. Please help more young people to follow your example by giving their lives in service as priests and religious.

If you are calling someone in our family to the priesthood or the religious life, please help them to say 'yes'.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

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.

CATECHISTS DATE FOR THE DIARY:

All parish catechists and anyone interested in becoming a catechist are invited to a day of reflection and planning on Saturday 23rd June from 10am-3.30pm in the parish centre.

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.

Introductory Evening- Let it Be Done Unto Me- Vaughan House

46 Francis Street, Westminster, SW1P 1QN
Date: 30 April 2018 Time: 7:30-9:00 pm
Venue: Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, Westminster, SW1P1QN
Description: CaFE 5 Session DVD Course. Special Parish Training Evening.
"Let It Be Done Unto Me According to Your Word." How Mary helps us to be filled with God.
Come see/hear how this course fits with Proclaim Westminster. Refreshments available at the event. These events are free, an offering will be taken. To register email catadmin@rcdow.org.uk Telephone: 07875 84813

DIOCESAN JOBS

For information on vacancies and application details – www.rcdow.org.uk

ERNIE FISHER R.I.P.

Funeral Mass will take place on **Wednesday 25th April at 10:00am Mass**. All are welcome to attend.