

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 19th February 2017.

Envelopes: £484.20
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Standing Orders £947.75(Jan/week)
Your generosity enables us to pay the parish bills. Thank you!

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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 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.

Sunday 26th February 2017

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

26th February 2017 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (This Wednesday, Ash Wednesday)	6:00 pm Sat. Vigil Mass	For the Parish Confirmation Mass of Enrolment
	8:30 am Mass	Michael Gibbons R.I.P
	11:00 am Mass	Jose Ocampo R.I.P
27 th February Monday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Michael Baylon R.I.P- Anniv.
28 th February Tuesday	No Mass	
1 st March Wednesday ASH WEDNESDAY	10:00 am Mass	Sam McKinney – R.I.P KS2- School at Mass
2 nd March Thursday Lent Feria	9:15 am Mass	Patricia Ocampo - Ints
3 rd March Friday Lent Feria	9:15 am Mass	Sam McKinney – R.I.P
4th March Saturday Lent Feria	11:00 – 12:00 am	<i>Confessions or by appointment</i>
	6:00 pm Vigil Mass	Madeline Allen R.I.P Anniversary
5th March 2017 First Sunday of Lent	8:30 am Mass	Helen Bradley R.I.P Anniv.
	11:00 am Mass	Tania Obeid R.I.P Anniv. Maria Bright R.I.P Anniv.

The Deep End – Don't Worry, Be Happy

We all have moments of worry and anxiety. Many people are anxious about the future, planning their lives and stretching forward months and sometimes years. We can worry about finance, about relationships, about the world, our communities. In today's Gospel, Jesus urges us not to worry about material things. We should be enslaved by possessions. We are asked 'what really rules our lives?' If it is money and objects then that leads nowhere; they do not lead to fulfilment. Worry is unproductive. We all know this but that's not very helpful when we are actually anxious about something. Jesus is urging us in today's Gospel to free ourselves of worry. Worry is a symptom of lack of faith. Jesus is not calling us to apathy or a life of carelessness but to realise that nothing was ever achieved by worrying.

How do we respond to worry or anxiety? Do we pray? Do we talk to God and hand this things over to God? Our thoughts can bring us to imagining endless outcomes of situations, but none of those thoughts are real. Jesus is calling us today to a deeper awareness, to a letting go, to be more present to this moment, to 'today'.

'Consider the lilies in the field, how they grow...' These words of Jesus about the providence of God are powerful and encourage us to put trust in God at the centre of our lives. God knows our deep desires and needs. The challenge of the Christian life is to place our trust in God, not material things, to stay focused on what God is doing in our lives right at this moment.

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Lenten Observances: Pray, Fast, and Give Alms

1st March is ASH WEDNESDAY and we begin the great season of Lent. Mass and distribution of Ashes will be at **10:00 am**. More important is this question: What will you do for Lent? Consider spending more time in prayer or silence, give up mobile phones or internet for a day, join a faith sharing group, donate to the refugee camps or any other charities, or simply attend Mass on Saturdays or Sundays. There are so many things you can consider for the 40 days of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

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:

Justino Villegas, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, John Regan, Rosa Santos, Tom Kelly, Mary Wong, Michael Bailey, Maria Louis, Ada Bacarini, Lucy Ugoala, Eillen Graham, Martine Rainsford, Edwina Toson, Mary Wong, Christopher Fradley,, Charlie Crane Michael Cole, 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: Tania Obeid, Helen Bradley, Clifford Price, Rudi Genovese, Maria Bright, Nadia Ba-Obeid, Clifford Price, Teresa Kennelly, John Harkin, Klem Kreminevski, Chuka Egbe, Bruno Solari, Michael Toolan, Harry Turner, Margaret Lonergan, John Breslin, Sean Dolan, Michael Dolan.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

John Hickey, Nell Carroll, Sylvia Domingo, Myrtle Hughes, Robert L'Strange, Rosa Nicolas, Patricia Murphy, Patricia Coughlan, Noel Kennedy, Marianne Formosa, Paddy McGuire, Paddy Enright, Vicky Knight, Teresa Russell, Agnes Alexander, Gavin McFadyen Frankie Alfante, Sarah Lane, Daphne Mae Bedingfield, Alice Harkin, Dominica Solari.

"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: Thursday at 8:00pm at the Parish house. Everyone welcome.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Babies are usually baptised in the first **6 months** of life. 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.

Next meeting for parents and godparents to be confirmed. Please contact or see Edmund or Elizabeth in the parish office either by phone 0207 697 3594 or in person **Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays**, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Some children from Group 2 and the entirety of Group 3 will receive their First Reconciliation on the **4 March**, at 10 am. Group 2 will be leading 11:00 am Mass on 5 March. Please arrive at 10:30 am for rehearsal.

CONFIRMATION

Next session is on Sunday 5th March at 9:30 am. Please be prompt!

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

RCIA

From the **11th of March**, our newly Enrolled Catechumens and Candidates will be leading Evening Prayer after the 6 pm Mass on Saturday evenings. Please join us!

The Liturgy of the Word with Children

11 March – 10:00 to 1:00pm –Here at Holloway
If you enjoy working with kids and would like to join our team of catechist for Children Liturgy on Sundays, save the date – 11 March, to attend this course. The course looks at the Bishops' Conference Guidelines for Liturgy of The Word with Children helps catechists to understand the principles of liturgy, considers a variety of ways to share Scripture with children, using ideas and resources in keeping with the Directory for Masses with Children and the Guidelines of the Bishops' Conference.

Participants must register in advance of the event. If you are interested, or for more information on any of our Catechetical programmes, please contact Edmund: edmunddean@rcdow.org.uk

Divine Mercy Retreat

Saturday 4 March 2017. 11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Church of Our Lady. 2 Windsor Road, Ealing, London W5 5PD. Main Speaker: Robert Stackpole, the Director of the John Paul II Institute of Divine Mercy, Stockbridge Massachusetts, a speaker at many conferences, the author and editor of numerous books and articles on the Divine Mercy message and devotion.

The Teachings of Pierre Teilhard de Chardin:

Wednesdays 8 - 22 March 7-8.30 pm by Fr Mike Smith SJ. Mount Street Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street, W1K 3AH pathwaystogod.org 0207-495-1673

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, a Jesuit priest, spent most of his life as a scientist, working at a time when the theory of evolution was only just beginning to be accepted. This programme will outline his work, showing how every part of the universe is ablaze with the love and glory of God.

Young Adults (18-35): Preparing to Pray the Triduum:

Thursdays 16 - 30 March 7-8.30pm Sr Anouska Robinson-Biggin fcJ Mount Street Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street, W1K 3AH pathwaystogod.org 0207-495-1673
The Easter Triduum is the highpoint of the Church's year, one celebration in three very distinct phases. Before entering into it this year, join with other young adults and take time to reflect and share on what it means for you. The evening will be a time to reflect on the readings and symbolic gestures of the Triduum and how they can speak to you today.

Cardinal Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony Westminster Cathedral Saturday 3rd June 2017 at 3pm.

The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, and 60th, (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic Marriage in 2017. If you are celebrating an anniversary and would like to receive an invitation, send following details to the Parish Office as soon as possible and by 20th March please: Husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal's address and email or telephone number.

MUSINGS

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All of us, ordinary and flawed, have at heart a seemingly boundless longing for fulfilment. On this Day of Prayer for Temperance, we consider Matt Talbot, who had only seven people at his funeral in 1925, but whom hundreds of thousands came to see as a beacon of the hope that reflects the struggles addiction can impose on someone's life. He relied on a higher power that affirmed and accepted him, without preconditions. He made an extraordinary journey from the darkness of excessive addiction to wholeness and the light of holiness. Amidst the anxieties and personal anguishes of his own pain-filled days and nights, he shows us the answer to one of the seven questions that Jesus asks in the Gospel today: *'Can any of you, for all his worrying, add one single cubit to his span of life?'*

Matt Talbot could identify with words of today's Psalm: *'In God is my safety and glory, trust him at all times, pour out your hearts before him'*. He imbibed the refreshing waters of grace and renewed his life as heroic witness of the power and presence of God at work within him.'

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES – for use from **6th April** will be available in the porch beginning next weekend. Envelopes will be arranged alphabetically by surname. Please collect your box.

Many hands make light work:

Church Cleaning: The church gets a lot of use and so needs to be cleaned regularly. TO JOIN THE TEAM, it takes about 2 hours once a month. Please contact the parish office 02076073594 or Juliana 07960541286 to volunteer.

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.

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER 11:00AM MASS

You are invited to the parish centre for tea and coffee and chat. We welcome especially those who are new to the parish.

Praise and Worship and Charismatic prayer service follows the tea and coffee at around 1:30pm. All are welcome.