OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 20rd August 2017. Envelopes: £489.30 Loose: £247.84

Standing Orders £954.00 (Jun/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 the office or ask Fr. Gideon.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK		
27 th August Sunday	6:00 pm Sat. Vigil Mass	Edward Pennicott – R.I.P
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary	8:30 am Mass	For the Parish
Time	11:00 am Mass	John Mazzoni – R.I.P
28 th August Monday St Augustine	10:00 am Mass	Mark Joseph Intentions
29th August Tuesday	No Mass	
30 th August Wednesday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Fr.Alan Ashton R.I.P.
31 st August Thursday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Holy Souls
1 st September Friday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Overcoming Addiction -Ints
2 nd September Saturday Blessed Virgin Mary on	11:00 – 12:00 am	Confessions
Saturdays	6:00 pm <i>Vigil Ma</i> ss	Estelly Varela – R.I.P- Anniv.
3 rd September Sunday	8:30 am Mass	For the Parish
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00 am Mass	Michael Fleming R.I.P

CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY



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Twenty –First Sunday in Ordinary Time 27th August 2017

The Deep End - Who do you say I am?

Peter gets it right in today's Gospel and Jesus calls him 'blessed'. That is, he is a person who brings a great gift and who brings that gift to others. Already in the community that Matthew is writing for, the community of Jesus' followers are gathering as 'church'. Peter is seen as Jesus' successor and future leader for the community.

Jesus is a very different Messiah to the one the Jews expected. It is understandable that he would order the disciples to keep quiet. The people of his time wanted a leader who would lead them in a military revolt against the Romans, who would be great king. Jesus' mission involves a very different focus, reaching out to the outcast, those on the margins, a radical love. His actions will speak for who he is. It is for each of us to make up our own minds as to who Jesus is. Peter is quite clear and sincere in his declaration, however, as we will see later, Peter did not understand fully what the journey of Jesus would entail. Peter commits himself but it is a reminder that we must always leave room for growth in the understanding of our commitments.

'The joy of Jesus bursts out...and he speaks his dream of an impregnable community of faith held together by the power of God rather than external organisation, a community of commitment and freedom'. – W. Yeomans

A question to focus on today might be: 'Who do YOU say that Jesus is?' What is Jesus for you, today, in your life at this precise moment?

Jane Mallet @Intercom

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: Baby Michael James Elliot, Maria Louis, Crystal Green, Dolores Crowley, Helena Bolotny, Ludvinia King, Justino Villegas, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, John Regan, Rosa Santos, Tom Kelly, Mary Wong, Michael Bailey, Ada Bacarini, Lucy Ugoala, Eillen Graham, Martine Rainsford, Edwina Toson, Mary Wong, Christopher Fradley., Charlie Crane Nora Harkin, Eileen Ely, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison McGoff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Ben & Margaret Deignan, Mary Morrisey, Stephanie Enepi. Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries: Tania Obeid, Brian Wright, Elizabeth O'Reilly, Maria Assumption Turner, Tayo Ero, Elizabeth O'Keeffe, Marie-Jeanne Arnold, Roberto Varela , Richard Houlihan, Sir Harold Hood and Ferelith Hood

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Michael Fleming, Bridget Mulvey, Arnulfo Taborda, Francisco Garcia, Claudio Rigolli, Anthony Bove, John Hickey.

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 Choir is currently on summer holiday and resumes in September.

Evervone welcome

SACRAMENTS BAPTISM

Babies are usually baptised in the first <u>6</u> 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 <u>Catholic baptismal certificate</u> and the child's <u>birth certificate</u>. Parents and godparents <u>must</u> attend a baptismal preparation meeting beforehand.

The next preparation course for Baptism will take place over 2 sessions on 1st and 3rd of November at 7 PM.

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

'True freedom in Christ'

Spiritual Retreat with Fr. Jacques Philippe This retreat will address some important human life questions:

What is the freedom Christ is supposed to give us? How to exercise this freedom in the difficulties and suffering of life?

How to be capable of forgiving?

Father Jacques Philippe is a world renowned Catholic priest and author.

Venue: Holy Apostles Church, 47 Cumberland Street, Pimlico London SW1 4LY When:

9 Sept -Sat. 9:30 am - 5:30 pm and 10 Sept- Sun. 9:30 am - 1:30 pm: Registration: from 9:00 am Registration fee and tickets: jphilippelondonretreat@gmail.com £22.00 (non-refundable) Booking is compulsory.

Alpha at St. Patrick's, Soho.

Starts Wednesday 20th September.

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment.

It is run over eleven weeks, with each session exploring a different question around faith.

Register at spes@stpatricksoho.org

BE A ROCK

Peter's history as a follower of Jesus is a bit spotty. It might be natural to wonder if Jesus, in giving him the keys to the kingdom, didn't feel a bit like a parent giving a teenager the keys to the family car. But it was at the moment when God's power and presence broke through everything else to raise up Peter's great profession of faith in Christ as the Messiah that Jesus chose to establish the bond between the loving, forgiving mercy of heaven and our vocation to be witnesses of that love, mercy, and forgiveness on earth.

Like any parent, Jesus no doubt foresaw the failings, the irresponsible maneuvers or impaired senses, the collisions that the church would be headed for. But most importantly, he also saw at that moment as God prefers to see us: capable of manifesting great faith, with a willingness to remain at the feet of Christ to understand what it truly means to be Messiah and Christ. As the Letter to the Romans points out today, we have not known the minds and wisdom of god, but god knows us and still chooses to manifest the reign of justice, joy, beauty, and peace through us. Let this be our vocation!

Lord, Teach Us To Pray 114 Mount Street, London W1K3AH

Fridays 8th-29th September 7-8.30pm 'Lord Teach us to Pray' was a request put to Jesus by his first disciples. Jesus responded by sharing with them something of his intimate relationship with his Father expressed in words that we now call the 'Our Father'. He was inviting them to experience something of the same intimacy that he had with God, and Jesus continually invites us to experience the same. On each evening of this short course as participants you will be introduced to and guided through a way of praying that you will then be able to make your own – deepening your own relationship with God. Information: 020 7495 1673 or admin@mountstreet.info

Human Trafficking- Responding Locally
An event Caritas Westminster and Santa Marta
Group in conjunction with Camden and Islington
and Met Police are hosting on human trafficking.
The evening will focus on why human trafficking is
an issue, and the extent of the problem in London,
and talk about practical actions you can take. This
event is specifically designed for people living in
Camden and Islington boroughs.

19th September, 6.30-8.30pm Kilburn West Parish, Marian Parish Centre 1 Stafford Rd, NW6 5RS.

MUSINGS: Who am I for you? @ Intercom

What does this story tell us? Jesus wanted a response to his question who am I for you? He had spent time with people and some have accepted him. Peter's was the remark of faith. Faith is the person of Jesus before any creed. Our faith is based on Jesus not on the Church. It is knowing Jesus from the inside- knowing who he really is with the knowledge of the heart.

Is our faith just like a birth mark or a way of life and love?

For some it is just like a birth mark. A label for birth, marriage and death. It has become more like this in Ireland and the Church in many ways allows this.

Who is Christ for me? The question that will around our faith.

We are here for partnership with the Lord in bringing on the reign of God.

What that would look like? That people who care for each other and particularly for the old, the child, the weaker, the unborn and the refugee. The Church is the community where the weakest are welcomed. The son of the living God is the one who heals, cures, wants us, and is the human face of God. We are that too-he has nobody now on earth but ours! – Dona Neary SJ

Parish Office closed for AUGUST

The parish office is closed from 1st August until 5th September. Any administrative queries will be attended on 7th September onwards. For any urgent matters, please call and leave a message on 0207 607 3594 or email your question to holloway@rcdow.org.uk

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament is on Fridays from 09:45 – 10:45. There is a sign-up sheet for August and September on the noticeboard by the North entrance of the Church (opposite the presbytery).

Praise and Worship and Charismatic prayer service follows the tea and coffee at around 2:00pm every Sunday. All are welcome.

UCM- Union of Catholic Mothers

UCM meets every second Sunday of the month after 11:00 am Mass. All mothers welcome!