**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 24 August 2014**

**Envelopes: £317.60**

**Loose: £266.40**

**Standing Orders £659.5** (July./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 (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.

**Phone: 020 7607 3594 *Fax: 020 7607 1867***

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**www.sacredheartchurchholloway.org.uk**

 Parish Priest: Fr. Gideon Wagay

Catechetical Coordinator: Sr. Naomi Hamilton

**Parish Office opening times for Admin**

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

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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| **31st August****22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  |  **(6.00pm** **Sat. Vigil Mass)****8:30 AM****11:00 AM** | **Frank Gallagher R.I.P****Michael Hannon R.I.P****Tommy Meeres and****Maricy Bouncristiani Pissinati R.I.P.** |
| **1st September Monday**Feria | 10:00 am Mass  | For the Parish |
| **2nd September Tuesday**  | No Mass |  |
| **3rdSeptember Wednesday** St Gregory the Great | 9:15 am Mass  | Peggy Doyle |
| **4th September Thursday**St Cuthbert | 9:15 am Mass  | Stanley Agbanyim—Intentions |
| **5th September Friday** Feria | 9:15 am Mass | Sir Harold Hood R.I.P Anniversary |
| **6th September Saturday** Blessed Virgin Mary | **6:00pm** **(Sat. Vigil Mass)**  | **Myiam Imbert R.I.P.** |
| **7th September****23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  | **8:30 AM****10:15 AM****12:00 AM** | **Hughie McDaid R.I.P****For the Parish****Maria Ward (sick)** |

**Newsletter 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

 **31st August 2014**

**‘An open book’**

*The Christian is a living epistle, known and read by all men, an open letter, an advertisement for Christianity’* William Barclay

What would an advertisement for Christianity look like? If you have to design an ad to sum up your faith, what would you include? On one hand we are called to be joyful- to sing, shout, clap our hands and rejoice! But faith is not always so straightforward. There are many obstacles and temptations, and sometimes we are afraid to stand up for what we believe in. And then there’s today’s Gospel, which speaks of suffering, and tell us that following Jesus involves taking up our cross. How do we make sense of all this in the context of our faith journey?

The good news is we are not alone in our struggles. In today’s First Reading, Jeremiah struggles with his faith in one of his many ‘laments’. His faith has caused him to be laughing stock. He feels conflicted; although his faith is inviting insult and derision, it is also a fire burning in his heart. In spite of people’s hostile reaction, he has been ‘seduced’ by God, and he cannot but speak out.

Is this how we feel about our faith? Is it like a fire burning within us, in our very bones, or are we lukewarm in our commitment? Following Jesus is a radical choice, now more than ever perhaps. Today’s reading teach us to be less concerned with what people think, and more concerned with living according to Jesus’ teaching- however others may react. @Intercom

 **SUMMER SCHEDULE OF MASSES ENDS TODAY**

Next Sunday, 8th Sept. we go back to our normal schedule of Masses.

The normal times on Sunday are: **8:30am**, **10:15am** (with children), and **12:00 noon.**

**TRAINING FOR PARISH CATECHISTS:**

We need Volunteers to be trained as Catechists for First Holy Communion. Training will be given here at Sacred Heart. This training will be open also to prospective catechists in other parishes of Islington deanery.

 Please take note of this date:

**2nd and 9th September: Tuesdays from 7:30-9:00pm Preparing Children for First Communion**

 **RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY**

 **14TH SEPTEMBER**

On this Sunday the Catholic Church in England and Wales celebrates Racial Justice Sunday. It is a day on which all Christians are called to earnestly pray for an end to racism and racial inequality. The theme for 2014 is **“Combating Human Trafficking”.** The Church is committed to supporting vulnerable and marginalised people and the Bishop’s Conference’s Office for Migration Policy takes the lead in our work to address the horrors of this modern-day form of slavery.

 **MORNING ALPHA**

The course enriching the lives of Christians and non Christians in 169 countries. Pope Francis loves it, so does the Archbishop of Canterbury, so do bishops and archbishops, pastors and ministers all over the world.

 At: **2 Lauderdale Road East Finchley N2 9LU. 9:30-11:30am on 10 (ten**) **Wednesdays** **from 8th October**.

No charge just optional food donation. Chaplain: Fr. Terry Tastard (PP St. Mary’s East Finchley).

Numbers are limited, so please register with: Peter Kraushar 0208 883 4736

email: peterkrau@aol.com

**CHURCH CLEANING:** We urgently need more volunteers. Please contact Juliana on 07960 541 286.

  **MUSINGS**

Ragheed Ganni was a young Caldean Catholic priest from Mosul, Iraq, who was student at the Irish College, Rome. Despite the obvious

 dangers, he returned to Iraq after his studies to minister to his people there. Despite numerous threats he remained with them, claiming that ‘Without Sunday, without the Eucharistic the Christian in Iraq cannot survive’ and that ‘The Eucharistic gives us back the life that the terrorists seek to take away.’ He would pay the ultimate price when he was targeted and killed by gunmen outside his church on 3 June 2007.Many Christians today continue to re-trace Christ’s steps when they are faced with sacrificing their very lives. @intercom

**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

**“A Lifetime for Marriage – RETROUVAILLE** *(pronounced retro-vi)* helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is not counselling but provides the tools and skills to help you get your marriage back on track. Retrouvaille has helped 10’s of 1000’s of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels from disillusionment to deep misery. The next programme commences with a residential weekend on 19th-21st Spt 2014. Email: info@retrovaille.org.uk call 0797 338 0443 website: www.retrouvaille.org.uk

. **CATHOLIC SINGLES**

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website www.catholicsingles.org.uk or email info@catholicsingles.org.uk

**DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR ALL CHURCH VOLUNTEERS (** ADVANCE NOTICE) Bishop John Crowley will be giving a Day of Reflection for all who help in the church in any way. Please note in your diaries the date of **27th September,** and make sure you give your name to Sr. Naomi so that you receive your personal invitation.

**“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.

**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:**

Maria Ward, June Bismire, Rosa Nocholla, Florence Collins, Cedic Cowell, Margaret Mulroy, Eileen Ely, Margaret Lonergan, Ashia Darr, Eileen Lucas, Helen Bradley, Tanya Obid, Alison McGoff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Chris Eisen, Diana Johnson, Edwina Toson, 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**:

Maricy Bouncristiani Pissinati, John Francis Enright, Myriam Imbert, Maria Assumption Turner, Faye Baluyut., Joe and Pat Malone, Tayo Ero, Roberto Varela, Daniel Hagan, Jose Ocampo, Teresa Ferguson, Keith Potter, Mary Heffernan, Bridie Gorman, Nora O’Reilly, George Johnson, Elizabeth Ellis, May Johnson, Eugene O’Keefe, Pierre Imbert, Martin Mc Carthy., Mary O’Neill, John Rainsford, Barney Doherty, Kevin O’Brien, Columbus Itoya Iyayi, David O’Sullivan

**Please Pray for the Recently Dead:**

Vicki Ibanez, Margaret Reynolds, Tish Smith, Luis Morales, Esther L, Hilda Camozzi, Ryan Grey, Keith Harding, Tanya Page, Teresa Maher, Henry Dolan, Eduard Donnelly, Madeleine Allen, Monica Devereux, Jerry Murtagh

 “*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)

**BAPTISM**

Babies are usually baptised in the first 6 months of life. To book a baptism for your child, please contact the parish priest or Sr. Naomi. 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 Autumn ( date to be published).

**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

 **ENQUIRERS’ GROUP**

**Want to know more about the Church?**

If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic; or you would like to be confirmed; or you would just like to know more about your faith, this group is for you. See Sr. Naomi.

**SUMMER MASS TIME SCHEDULE**

**ENDS TODAY**

We will go back to normal next weekend 8th September. Masses on Sunday will be at **8;30,** **11:15am**, and **12:00pm.**

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS**

 (UCM) Meets on the 1st Sunday of the month after the 12:00Noon Mass. All mothers are welcome. Next meeting will be in autumn.

 **A DAY WITH MARY**

**Sat 13th September** at St. Mary Magdalen Athenaeum Road, Whetstone 10:00am -4:15pm.

**Sat 20th September** at St. Vincent de Paul, Witham Road, Osterley.

 **HARVEST FAST DAY: 3rd October**

 **CAFOD-Give what you can this Harvest Fast Day and welcome the poor to your table.**

**KOLBE’S GIFT**

**1st -5th October 2013 at Leicester Theatre**

See poster in porch. To book, visit [www.kolbesgift.com](http://www.kolbesgift.com) or

phone the theatre box office on 08448 733433

 **RETROUVAILLE:**

Offers a lifeline to troubled marriages. Backed by prayer, this programme has healed and turned around thousands of marriages on the brink of collapse and even brought divorced couples back together again.

The next programme starts on the 27th – 29th September 2013. Don’t miss this lifeline if your marriage is painful – visit: [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) or email info@retrouvaille.org.uk or call or text 0797 388 0443 in complete confidence.

 **CONFIRMATION PHOTOS**

Photographs and CDs from Confirmation of June 15 2013 are now available. View albums and Order forms in the parish office. Also for further information you can contact photographer 07976 747 901 or email justinpip@yahoo.com

**Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM)**

meets on the 1st Sunday of the month after the 12:00 Noon Mass. All mothers are welcome.

**COLLECTION BOX for the**