#### **NEWSLETTER**



**Church of the**

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

**Offertory Collections**

**Sunday 27th April 2014**

**Envelopes**: £488.95

**Loose**: £338.25

**Standing Orders** £696.00 (Mar./Week)

*Your generosity* enable *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.

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Sr Naomi office hours: Monday10:00-12:00,13:00-16:00

**Parish Office opening times for Admin**

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

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**4th MAY 2014**

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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| **Sunday 4th May**  **Third Sunday of Easter**  ***(Next Sunday Priest Training Fund collection)*** | **8:30 AM**  **10:15 AM**  **12:00 PM** | **Private Intentions**  **Michael Houlihan R.I.P**  **For the Parish** |
| **5th May Monday**  **Easter Feria** | 10:00 am Mass | Sr. Eliza Varin R.I.P. |
| **6th May Tuesday** | No Mass |  |
| **7th May Wednesday Easter Feria** | 9:15am Mass | Agostino Solari R.I.P |
| **8th May Thursday**  **Easter** Feria | 9:15am Mass | David Aliasas Jr R.I.P. |
| **9th May Friday**  **Easter Feria** | 9:15am Mass | James Cregg R.I.P |
| **10th May Saturday**  **Easter Feria** | **6:00pm:**  **(Sat. Vigil Mass)** | Margaret & Paddy Cooney R.I.P |
| **Sunday 11th May**  **Fourth Sunday of Easter**  ***(Collection for Priest Training Fund)*** | **8:30 AM**  **10:15 AM**  **12:00 PM** | **Holy Souls**  **Eileen Ely**  **John Joseph Walsh R.I.P-(Anniversary)** |

***‘And they recognised him’***

Have you ever seen someone who looks familiar but you cannot quite place them? Or perhaps someone you know well changed their hair colour or style and you did not recognise them?

Reading over today’s Gospel, one question springs immediately to mind: how could it be that disciples of Jesus would not recognise him, especially when his story was all they wanted to talk about to a complete stranger?

After the event it makes sense to them; ‘Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?’ they wonder, and they rush back to Jerusalem to share their story. The experience with Jesus, which culminated in the breaking of bread, stirred something within them and piece by piece, like a jigsaw, it all fell into place.

Perhaps they were not ready at the start and had to take a journey with Jesus (even one in the ‘wrong direction’) to finally arrive at the place where they were able to recognise him and become what they were supposed to be - disciples. Once they had come to recognition they did what all good disciples should - rushed off to tell others!

When was the last time your heart burned within you? @ Intercom

**Annual Parish Collection for the Priest Training Fund**

*Please give as much as you can afford to the annual appeal for the Priest Training Fund. The collection for the Priest Training Fund takes place next weekend and all the money that you give will be used to encourage more men to consider the priesthood and to pay for the training of those who come forward. Please give as much as you can afford as the Fund relies on donations. You can make your donation today or next weekend. Alternatively, you can make a donation online by visiting www.rcdow.org.uk/donations.*

**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 or guardian of the child needs to supply us with their Catholic baptismal certificate and the child’s birth certificate. Parents and god parents must attend some baptism preparation beforehand.

**Next parents’ and godparents’ meeting Tuesday 20th May at 7.30, meeting room.**

**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](mailto:holloway@rcdow.org.uk)

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2013-14**

The next session will be on **11th May 10:15am.** Please arrive promptly.

**CONFIRMATION 2014**

The next candidates’ session will be on **Thursday 15th May 7:00-8:30pm**. All candidates must attend!

**ENQUIRERS’ GROUP**

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. **Next meeting on Weds 7th May at 2.30pm** in the meeting room with Sr. Naomi.

**MONDAY MORNING COFFEE**

After 9:15am Mass, for parents/carers and toddlers (but everyone welcome). Resumes 5th May in the meeting room.

**NEW 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)

**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](mailto: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.

**MUSINGS**

It’s often the throw-away phrases from the gospel are the most powerful. As the downcast disciples unwittingly relate the story of Christ’s demise to Christ himself (whom they take to be a stranger) on the journey to Emmaus, one can almost hear their sighs as they utter the words ‘We had hoped…’ These are our words too. *We had hoped* that life might have been better; our jobs more fulfilling; our marriages stronger; our bodies healthier; our exam result higher, our bills less crippling. When will we come to recognise Christ accompanying our journey through life? Where is the ‘breaking of the bread’ for us?

@intercom

**THE CALIX SOCIETY**

Supports Catholics in recovery from addiction. Groups meet in different locations around London. For more information go to: [www.calixlondon.org.uk](http://www.calixlondon.org.uk)

**A DAY WITH MARY**

The Shirne of St Agustine, Ramsgate, Kent CT11 9PA on Saturday 10th May from 10:00am to 5:00pm.

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS**

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

**Decorating and CHURCH CLEANING**

We need new volunteers .We need teams, so the commitment can be once a month for about an hour. Please contact Juliana: 07960541286

Help would also be appreciated with the arranging of flowers.

**GROWING IN FAITH FUNDRAISING**

I’m still waiting for a few pledge forms to be returned. Kindly post it to me or directly to the Growing in Faith office. Thank you.

Fr. Gideon.

**Annual Collection for the Priest’s Training Fund- 11th May 2014**

The annual collection takes place on 11th May which is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

**Fr. Gideon is away for his Easter break.**

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**“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.

**LEARNING FOR EVERYONE**

**Faith Matters: Lumen Fidei, Light of Faith, Pope Francis’ Encyclical Letter**.

These are public lectures and all are welcome. *15 May,* ***The Joy of Believing and Belonging*** by Fr John Farrell, OP

*29 May,* ***Unless You Believe, You will not Understand*** by Fr John Hemer MHM,

At 7.00 – 8.30pm, Vaughan House, 46 Francis St, SW1P 1QN. Registration is required at rcdow.org.uk/faith/faith-matters or phone 020 7931 6078. Suggested donation £3.

**SVP ST JOHN BOSCO**

SVP St John Bosco Camp offers children aged 8-13 a sports and activity based holiday on a campsite in the Essex countryside. Run with a Catholic ethos, the camp is especially for children who may not have any other holiday this year. There are three weeks of the camp:

For boys: 26th July to 2nd August or 2nd to 9th August

For girls: 9th to 16th August

For many details and for application forms log onto [www.svpboscocamp.org.uk](http://www.svpboscocamp.org.uk)

**THE JOY OF PRIESTHOOD**

A retreat day for men (18+) discerning a calling to the priesthood on Saturday 10th May at Allen Hall Seminary. For more info and register contact Fr. Richard at [richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk)

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**NEW PARISH NOTICEBOARD**

There is a new noticeboard to the right of the main door which has details of parish events and activities. Please keep an eye on it and join our prayer & social events.

**‘CELEBRATE’ FAMILY FESTIVAL**

A weekend of charismatic prayer, talks, workshops, and fun suitable for all the family. Held at Twickenham 28th and 29th June. Sr. Naomi is going and several others. Please take a form from the new parish noticeboard and sign up on the list so that we can go or meet up as a parish group.

**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:**

Eileen Elly, Margaret Lonergan, Helen Bradley, Ashia Darr, Betty McMahon, Stephanie Enepi, Clive Bromhill, Agnes Alexander, John Breslin, Margaret Deignan, Michael Cole, Diana Johnson, Cedric Cowell, Alison McGoff, Michael Barber, Tanya Ba Obeid, Florence McGrath, Chris Eisen, Jim Spencer, Margaret Hughes, Mary Egan, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Peter Finn, Myrtle Hughes, Lillian Appino, Nessa Healy, Anne Franklin, Mary Morrissey, James McNamara, Patrick Enright, Ernie Fisher, Erin Connor, Julia White, Edwina Toson, Elizabeth Young, Pascal Philgence, Jennifer Blundell, Pauline Hunt, Anne Nicolas, ***and******all who are sick and housebound in the parish.***

**Anniversaries**:

Joe Neary, William Crosby, Anna Morrisey, Michael Houlihan, Nora O’Reilly, Kevin O’Brien, Chris Doyle, Bruno Solari, Margaret Cooney, George Johnson, Elizabeth Ellis, olores Winters.

**Please Pray for the Recently Dead:**

Eduard Donnelly, Anthony Mulvey, Madeleine Allen, Monica Devereux, Jerry Murtagh, Betty McMahan, Mary Costin, Bill Millet, Dora Tomson, Anson Gamy, Katie Magner

“*Eternal rest* grant unto them Lord, and let your light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**COLLECTION BOX for the**