

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 29th Apr 2018.

Envelopes: Weekly £522.8

Loose: £460.16

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter 6th May 2018

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

6th May Sixth Sunday of Easter Next Sunday - Catholic Communications- Networking Collection	6:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass	Margaret Callanan R.I.P
	8:30 am Mass	John Walsh R.I.P – Anniv.
	11:00 am Mass	John Joseph Walsh R.I.P – Anniversary
	12:15 pm Mass (Extra Mass)	First Holy Communion Mass Group B
7th May Monday Easter Feria	10:00 am Mass	Stephen & Elizabeth Porter R.I.P
8th May Tuesday	No Mass	
9th May Wednesday. Easter Feria	9:15 am Mass	Joan Neary R.I.P
10th May Thursday. The Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)	10:00 am Mass	Carlo Avanzi – R.I.P Y3-Y6 From school at Mass
11th May Friday Easter Feria	9:15 am Mass	Bruno Solari – R.I.P
12th May Saturday. Easter Feria	11:00- 12:00 noon	<i>Confessions</i>
	6:00 pm Vigil Mass	David Power R.I.P
13th May Seventh Sunday of Easter Catholic Communications- Networking Collection	8:30 am Mass	Ann & Xavier R.I.P
	11:00 am Mass First Holy Communion Mass of Thanksgiving	For the Parish John Rainsford R.I.P – Anniv. Wayne Cosgrove R.I.P- Anniv

THE DEEP END: A brief history of love

God does not have favourites, Peter tells us. You wouldn't think that was the case sometimes, listening to some of the people who purport to speak on his behalf.

When Professor Stephen Hawking passed away earlier this year, people from all walks of life paid tribute to his brilliance, his scientific legacy, his courage and his sense of humour. Professor Hawking's work taught the world so much about the boundless mysteries of the universe. Though he considered himself an atheist, he believed that life had meaning, and that we should always be curious about how the universe came into existence. He believed in love, and is quoted as saying 'It would not be much of a universe if it wasn't home to the people you love.'

And yet, after his death, there were some who couldn't resist the opportunity to ask: where is he now, this man who did not believe in God? The judgement and lack of compassion was staggering, coming as it did from 'Christian' commentators. Where is the love in such attitudes?

Today we bring everything back to one word: love. There are more than 20 references to love in today's readings. God's love does not discriminate. In the second reading we hear that 'everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God', while 'anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love.' That love that God showed by sending his Son for us, is the same generous, wholehearted, self-sacrificing love we are called to show others – whether their beliefs align with ours or not. God does not have favourites. *Triona Doherty@Intercom*

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD Thursday 10th May– After a number of years when this Feast was moved to a Sunday, it has now been restored to its rightful place and is Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass will be at 10:00am with the children from school Yr.3-Yr.6 coming to celebrate with us.

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:

Eva Buchalska, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne, Baby Michael Elliott, 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: Gerry Murtagh, Stella Maznik, Stanley Richards, Joe Neary, Ann McKenna, Kathy Keane, Beryl Genovese, Frances Byrne, Arnel Bejosano.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Dell Harvey, 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.

The next course is on 29th May and First June at 7:00pm-8:00pm at The Meeting Room. Parents and godparents MUST attend both sessions.

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

Mass of Thanksgiving for First Holy Communion children will be on Sunday 13th May at 11:00 a.m.

FOSH (Friends of Sacred Heart School) will coordinate a Bring and Share for a small gathering after the Mass of Thanksgiving.

Please bring your contributions before the Mass of Thanksgiving and hand them over to the parish hall.

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)

THANK YOU from Caritas – Bakhita House.

First Holy Communion children, on behalf of all the guests and staff of Caritas Bakhita House, we thank you for your very generous donation of £77! Your gift will help women (and children) rescued from the terrible crime of human trafficking and modern day slavery. At Bakhita House these women receive the love, care and support they need to start their lives again.

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.

PRIEST'S TRAINING FUND- Thank you for your generosity to this collection in the last couple of weekends- £579.34 given to date. Envelopes are still available at the back of church. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood.

JUSTICE AND PEACE

Next Monday, 7th May, at 10.30am the Annual Migrants Mass at St George's, Southwark.

15th May Prayer Vigil for Migrants, remembering those who have died on their journey to safety. 12.20-1.30 at the Home Office organised by London Catholic Worker. (This is a monthly event on the third Tuesday of every month) All welcome. Call 020 8348 8212 for more details.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

The Westminster Diocese is celebrating its' 30th Pilgrimage to Lourdes this summer. The pilgrimage this year takes place from 21-27 July and if you would like to go booking forms are available from Nick Leonard at westminsterstfrai@gmail.com or you can also ask the parish office. If you are 18 and in good health, you might like to consider becoming a St. Frai Helper. Your role is to support the nurses provide the sort of care for which you don't need a medical qualification. If you would like to help, kindly email Nick Leonard.

CAFOD

Thank you for your support to the CAFOD Lent Fast Day appeal. Donations to CAFOD until 12 May will be doubled by the UK Government. We have planned a £5 million programme to combat malnutrition - and with it we hope to be able to reach 245,000 people. But we need the full amount of match funding to make it happen. You can help us reach the full amount needed for this crucial programme. We still have some way to go yet! To donate please go to cafod.org.uk/lent

MUSINGS @ Intercom

Jesus' light is a humble light. It is not a light that imposes itself, it is humble. It is a gentle light, with the strength of meekness; it is a light that speaks to the heart and it is also a light given by the cross. If we, in our inner light, are gentle people, we hear the voice of Jesus in our heart and look fearlessly at the cross in the light of Jesus ... We must always distinguish: where Jesus is there is always humility, gentleness, love and the cross. We will never find Jesus without humility, without gentleness, without love and without the cross. He was the first to travel this path of light. We must walk fearlessly behind him, because Jesus has the strength and the authority to give us this light.

Pope Francis, Homily at Domus Sanctae Marthae, 3 September 2013

Congratulations to our second group of children who received the Body and Blood of Christ for the first time today, Sunday.

Abbie Harris

Denise Sveckyte

Eden Morakinyo

Elijah Jackson

Erin O'Byrne

Fiona Abel

George Gentili-Walsh

Gracie Barrow

Izabella George-Sparks

Keira Paul

Kokob Awet

Kornelia Sveckyte

Lara Ross McClean Severo

Liya Yonas

Maisie Dedman

Mark Maloney

Max Muijlders

Nathan Abel

Stefania Suarez Algecira

Tiago Souza

Ethan Blair