

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 31st Dec 2017.

Envelopes: Weekly £439.51

Christmas envelopes: £354.40

Loose: £883.12

Standing Orders £1,001 (Oct/week)

Crib Donations- £134.49

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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Parish Office opening times for Admin

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



**The Epiphany of the Lord
7th January 2018**

The Deep End – Carrying Light

'Arise, shine out Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you'. Isaiah 60:01

The Epiphany is a feast that celebrates light. In the words of our First Reading, it is time to 'Arise, shine out!' Today we hear again the story of the Wise Men who came to see the Infant King. They followed the light of the star, and found the light of the world. So overcome were the Wise Men that they knelt to praise Jesus, offering him lavish treasures as well as their love and adoration. Imagine the light they carried with them after that encounter, as they made their journey home to their own country. Their lives were changed forever. And so were ours-the Epiphany marks the moment when the light of Christ first shone out to all nations.

Think about a person who transformed your life in some way, or a moment or event that changed the direction of your life. 'Epiphany' is sometimes described as a time of sudden realisation; an 'Aha!' moment. Let today be the day when you encounter Jesus, as the Wise Men did. Let the light of the Nativity and Epiphany guide you as you prepare to return to your work, school or college. Carry the light with you. Like the Wise Men, return to your everyday life 'by a different way'. – *TrionaDoherty@Intercom*

Prayer - Guiding star@ CAFOD

Lord, the sight of the guiding star brought hope, courage and joy to those who had journeyed to find you.

When our journey seems long, when hope seems far away,
when our courage is failing, fill us with faith and trust;
shine your light on our fears, lift our hearts with your joy.

Help us to recognise you in our brothers and sisters throughout the world;
show us how we can work together, so that we may all come to share in the life promised to us by Jesus, the Saviour of us all.

Amen.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

7 th January 2018 The Epiphany of the Lord	6:00 pm Sat. <i>Vigil Mass</i>	Michael Dolan – R.I.P Anniv.
	8:30 am Mass	Mary Ann Wilson RIP Marcella Wilson RIP Joseph Wilson RIP & Sean Wilson RIP
	11:00 am Mass	Ykaloo Michael R.I.P Mezaha Tesfu – R.I.P
8 th January Monday The Baptism of the Lord	9:15 am Mass	Joe Gallagner R.I.P
9 th January Tuesday Feria	No Mass	
10 th January Wed. Feria	10:00 am Mass	Claudio Rigolli –R.I.P Anniv. Sacred Heart School Beginning of Term Mass.
11 th January Thursday. Feria	9:15 am Mass	Brian Mpunga R.I.P
12 th January Friday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Sean Dolan R.I.P - Anniversary
13 th January Saturday. Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	6:00 pm <i>Vigil Mass</i>	Gerry Johnson R.I.P Anniv.
14 th January 2018 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Mass	Gorman Damily – Intentions
	11:00 am Mass	Mr & Mrs Ero – R.I.P

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:

Edgar and Josefina Losa, Keith Hunt, 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, Eillen Graham, Martine Rainsford, Christopher Fradley, Edwina Toson, Charlie Crane, Nora Harkin, Eileen Ely, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison Mc Goff, Martin & Margaret Cooke, Ben & Margaret Deignan, Mary Morrissey, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

Anniversaries: Gerry Johnson, Sean Dolan, Claudio Rigolli, Ykaloo Michael, Mezaha Tesfu, Rosa Nicholas, Gilberto Ero, Michael Costin, Eddie and Bridie Gorman, John O'Roarke, Josefina Miller, Clifford Price, John Danqua, Bill Devereux, Ann and Kathleen Rainsford, Conrado Espejo.

Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Brian Mpunga, Ellen Howard, Nora Fitzgerald, Margaret Kinsella, Sheila Connolly, Sheila Lasok, Grace Ann Lewis, Lee Turnbull, Lucy Ugoala.

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 at 7:00 pm on Monday 8th and Friday 12th January 2018. Parents and godparents need to attend both days.

In order to make the most of the meeting, we would like to recommend, leave the children at home, having them might be distracting for you and other attendees.

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 PROGRAMME 2017-2018

The next Children's Session will be on Sunday 14th January 2018.

The next Parents' Meeting will be on Weds. 17th January 7:00pm-8:00pm. (Children do not need to attend this meeting)

CONFIRMATION 2018

The application to join the Confirmation Programme is still ongoing. If you are in Year 9 and above or 14 years old or older, and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation please take a form from the priest or from Nalini or Elizabeth in the office.

All forms must be handed in by 7th January 2018.

OUR JOURNEY OF FAITH -RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS).

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your initiation by celebrating Confirmation and/or First Communion as an adult. You are still on time to join in. Meeting on **Tuesday 9th January at 7:00pm in Meeting Room.** See Nali or Elizabeth.

SOUL FOOD: Life in the Spirit Seminar

St. Charles Borromeo, 8, Ogle Street, W1W 6HS nearest tube: (Warren St., Goodge Street). Experience God's love in a personal way. Every Thursday 7pm-9pm, 18th January-22nd February 2018. Come and See. All are welcome. To register and for more details visit: www.souldfoodgroup.org/liss

Basic Counselling Skills for Pastoral Work with Mgr Malachy Keegan

There are some fundamental, basic ways in which one person can engage skilfully and respectfully with another person. It is hugely valuable and important to know these ways and develop these skills. This seminar will offer a basic introduction to the skills of Pastoral Counselling for everyone involved in parish life. Applying these skills will lead to healthier, happier and more fruitful ways of being and working with other people.

Dates: 15th Jan, 22nd Jan 29th Jan and 5th Feb, 2018.

This is a 4 session course and participants will be required to attend all 4 sessions. Places are very limited.

Time: 7:00-8:30pm **-Venue:** Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN
Suggested donation: £16.00

Registration is required.

Email: livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk

Alternatively, please leave a message at 020 7931 6078.

Journey through Lent with Marks' Gospel

with Sr Anne Walsh OP and Sr Karen Marguerite OP

Dates: 25th Jan, 1st Feb, 8th Feb, 15th Feb, 8th Mar, 2018

Time: 7:30-9:00pm

Venue: Niland Conference Centre, 93 Elstree Rd, Bushey WD23 4EE. Suggested donation: £5.00

Registration is required. Email: livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk

Alternatively, please leave a message at 020 7931 6078.

National day of prayer and fasting

'On Friday 12th January, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this Country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed, and it really does save lives. Please also pray that buffer zones around abortion centres won't be introduced.'

For information on the days of Prayer and Fasting see:

<http://www.goodcounselnet.co.uk/Prayer-and-Fasting-Days.html>.

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT MINISTRY

We invite you to a Seven day Retreat At Mem Soares, Castelo De Vide, Retreat House, Portugal. Two Dates Are Available Thursday May 10th – Wednesday 16th May 2018 or Thursday 13th September – Wednesday 19th September 2018.
Email: lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com
For more information David or Eileen, Tele: 0208 542 2476

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS (UCM)- meets every 2nd Sunday of the month after the 11:00am Mass. All mothers welcome.

Can you spare an hour and a half once a month? If so, join the team of cleaners for the church, they're looking for new members. Please call Juliana on 07960 541286.

The Irish Elderly Advice Service Charity, Reopened as usual at Mazenod Community Centre adjacent to the Sacred Heart Church Quex Road, Kilburn **every**

Wednesday from January 3rd between 10am-1pm.

Margaret Geiger our Senior Advice Manager provides a weekly Drop-in Advice Service on Housing, Health and Pension Benefits for elderly people. It is a very busy service so it is best to come early. For more details, Contact Margaret on **Tel:0207 428 0471 or Mob 07980399260**

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

Evangelization: **Religious Minorities in Asia** That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom.