#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Envelopes: Weekly £534.70 Loose: £274.03 Standing Orders £1,027.00 (May/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 <u>gift aid</u> 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.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK		
9 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 Twenty-Third	6:00 pm Saturday <i>Vigil Mass</i> –	Sean Enright R.I.P. ANNIVERSARY
Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 am Mass	For the Parish
	11:00 am Mass	Lucy Ugoala R.I.P.
10 <sup>th</sup> September Monday	9:15 am Mass	Michael Cole intentions
11 <sup>t th</sup> September Tuesday	No Mass	
12 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 Wednesday	9:15 am Mass	Anne Franklin R.I.P.
13 <sup>th</sup> September Thursday	10: am Mass School Mass	The Beginning of the Year Mass- Sacred Heart Primary School
14 <sup>th</sup> September Friday- The Exaltation of the Cross	9:15 am Mass	Holy Souls
15 <sup>th</sup> September Sat.	11:00- 12:00 noon	Confessions
	6:00 pm Vigil Mass	Pat Costin (Intentions)
16 <sup>th</sup> September '18 Twenty- Fourth	8:30 am Mass	Ann Franklin R. I.P.
Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00 am Mass	Brendan Davey

# CHURCH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HOLLOWAY

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# Twenty- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 9<sup>th</sup> September 2018

# THE DEEP END. Ephphata

In today's gospel Jesus heals a man who was deaf and who had a speech impediment, unable to speak or hear God's word of truth. Jesus says *ephphata* which means 'be opened!' Immediately this man was healed.

During the Season of Creation we are all urged to *listen* to the cry of the earth. Scientists are now telling us that unless drastic action is taken we will lose the battle against environmental destruction which this world is faced with. The worldwide heat wave and drought which we experienced this summer is one example of how our planet is under pressure. Yet change is possible. All it takes is one good person to restore hope. As followers of Christ we have a duty to lead the way in caring for God's beautiful creation. What prevents us from hearing these messages? We can be cynical and say that the issue is too big, that is up to governments to sort out. *Ephphata!* We start where we are and do what we can.

This week can you encourage your family to make small changes in the home such as ensuring all waste is correctly recycled, composting, encouraging one another to use public transport or walk/cycle when possible? A very simple action is to reduce the use of plastic by buying a reusable water bottle or coffee cup which removes so much waste from landfills and sends a powerful message. We begin with the small actions and encourage others to do the same. Ephphata! Let us all be open to this call to care for our common home. (You can find out more at www.seasonofcreation.org) Jane Mellett @intercom

**We welcome Fr. Bogdan:** from the Archdiocese of Tolouse who will be staying with us for a few months to learn English. Whilst here, he will be sharing his missionary experience. His apostolate was to the young people of his diocese which he will hope to share with the youth in our parish. He will work closely with Nalini, to form the Youth Ministry in our parish.



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:

Jim Neary, Ngozi Elong, Lilv de Nobrega, Eva Buchalska, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne, Baby Michael Ellitott, Daithi Sweeney, Keith Hunt, Maria Louis, Crystal Green, Dolores Crowley, Ludvinia King, 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 Morrisey, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

**Anniversaries**: Sean Enright, Maria Asumpta Turner, Tayo Ero, Roberto Varela, Lucie Ugoala, Nora Ginty, Richard Houlihan, Michael Lonergan, Edgar Ocampo.

#### Please Pray for the Recently Dead:

Ann Franklin, William Francis O'Dwyer, Catherine Njuko, Mona Moran, Justino Villegas, , Dell Harvey, Ernie Fisher, Joan Neary, Margaret Callnan, David Power, Brian Harrigan, Brian Mpunga. *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

# <u>BAPTISM</u>

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 two baptismal preparation meetings beforehand. Next meeting to be confirmed.

### 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: <u>holloway@rcdow.org.uk</u>

**First Holy Communion** – this year's registration for children who hope to receive their First Holy Communion in Spring 2019 will take place in September 2018. More information will appear in our newsletter from 9<sup>th</sup> September onwards.

#### R.C.I.A.

Are you an adult interested in the <u>Catholic Faith?</u> Wishing to be baptized? Already baptized but wishing to be received as Catholic? Or are you an adult Catholic who has never been Confirmed?

Join the group that will start meeting in the autumn. Contact Nali 07421749616 or see Fr. Gideon in the office.

ALTAR SERVERS – To be an altar server you must have already received your First Holy Communion. We will be asking parents to fill in a form for new servers. There will be a commitment on your part to bring your child to the practice and training. You will also commit your child to serve at Mass every Sunday.

The training will be in the first Saturday in October and it will be announced and published in the newsletter.

## EDUCATION SUNDAY

9<sup>th</sup> September 2018 Is that special time of the year when our Catholic community comes together to celebrate and support our Catholic schools. Coinciding with the start of the academic term it is an opportunity for us to give thanks for the important work our schools perform. Catholic schools couldn't exist without the support of the Catholic community. This has been the case for the last 170 years. A retiring collection taken today is vital in enabling our schools to continue to thrive.

### Beginning Experience:

A healing weekend for men and women who had themselves single again following separation, divorce or the death of a partner, at the Domus Mariae Centre, Chigwell Essex from 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> October. For details contact Freda, 01322 838415 or Sandra 01293 783965, or email

johnabrotherton@hotmail.co.uk

#### ALPHA AT ST MARY'S FINCHLEY

The course of enriching the lives of Christians and non-Christians in 169 countries. St Mary's, East Finchley 279 High Road N2 8HG Wednesdays 7:30-10:00pm. Please register with Peter Krushar, 2 Laudardale Road N2 9LU 020 8883 4736 Email:peterkrau@aol.com

CAFOD FAST DAY- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018

#### HOME MISSION SUNDAY 2018

15<sup>th</sup> /16<sup>th</sup> October- an opportunity to look closer to home as we grow Missionary Parishes and form Missionary disciples

#### MUSINGS

'If we start without confidence, we have already lost half the battle and we bury our talents. While painfully aware of our frailties, we have to march on without giving in, keeping in mind what the Lord said to Saint Paul: 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness' (2Cor 12:9). Christian triumph is always a cross which is at the same time a victorious banner borne with aggressive tenderness against the assaults of evil. The evil spirit of defeatism is brother to the temptation to separate, before its time, the wheat from the weeds: it is fruit of an anxious and selfcentred lack of trust.' Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium 85

#### The Week Ahead:

Training for Volunteers Engaged in Parish Ministries. An invitation to the following:

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September (7-8:30 pm) Reconciliation – for Catechists working with children or teenagers.

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September (7:00-8:30 pm –Classroom) The Eucharist – for Eucharistic Ministers and FHC catechists

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September (7:00-8:30 pm Classroom) The Eucharist (repeat session)- for Eucharistic Ministers and FHC catechists.

## YOUTH NEWS

#### YOUTH AND STUDENTS MEETING:

WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> September (6:30-7:30pm, parish classroom). An invitation to all youth and young people in the parish (the ages 15-24). A meeting to discuss your gifts/talents and ideas for the parish. All aged 15-24 welcome.