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Newsletter

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**Twenty-Seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

**Weekday Readings for
27th week in Ordinary Time
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Next Sunday's Readings

- Isaiah 25:6-10
- Ps 22 R. v6
- Philippians 4:12-14.19-20
- Matthew 22:1-14

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Living Faith

David Hurst represents our parish on the new Merton Alliance of Citizens UK in co-operation with 12 other local churches, schools and faith groups. Merton Citizens UK is a community organisation consisting of faith groups, schools and public Organisations working together for the good of Merton. They are now asking local residents across the Borough of Merton two questions: 1. What are the most serious issues affecting you and your family? 2. What are the barriers preventing you or people you know from maintaining positive mental health? Issues



that have emerged include: Housing, mental health, schools, rubbish and waste clearance and migrant issues.

If you would like to contribute to help identify key issues of local concern please email your response to David Hurst on dthurst52@gmail.com your responses will be treated in confidence. To find out more about

Citizens UK and future plans for the Merton Alliance, all parishioners are invited to a public meeting at 6.30pm on Monday 16 October at St Mark's Church, St Mark's Road, Mitcham CR4 2LF.

David would be grateful if those hoping to attend would email him on the above address to notify him if they plan to attend.

This is a new and very positive development in the borough. It brings together the churches and faith groups as well as the schools and other organisations so that they can benefit the people of Merton. In a real sense it is faith in action.

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark MA

Parish Clergy: Fr Thaddeus Nwokeji and Deacon Julian Burling

Also Resident: Canon Elias Vojtech, Giovanni Prandini (Student)

Team Members: Sr Francis SSA, Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU, Cristina Connolly and Pat Ryan (Youth Minister)

SACRED HEART YOUTH GROUP

All SH teenagers (13-18yrs) are invited for the launch of the new **Sacred Heart Youth Group**. This will be a really fun night with food, games, music and a talk. It will be hosted in the Sacred Heart Lounge from 6-8pm on Sunday 15 October.

PRISONERS' SUNDAY

Today, 8 October, is Prisoners' Sunday, a day of prayer and action for prisoners and their dependents.

SECOND COLLECTION

Friday 6 October was Harvest Fast Day. CAFOD envelopes will be collected today. By donating to CAFOD's *Harvest Appeal* you can plant the seed for an abundant future. For more information please visit www.cafod.org.uk

Last Sunday's collection for Fr Michael and Fr Peter came to £2,218. Further contributions will be added to this figure. Thank you for your generosity.

OLD £1 COIN

Today is the last day the church can accept the old £1 coin.

SVP

The Wimbledon Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul exists to help individuals and families in need. If you, or someone you know, in the parish needs help, please leave contact details via the presbytery, either in writing or by telephone, 020 8946 0305. All referrals are dealt with in strict confidence. Their work is an extension of the work of the parish to those disadvantaged.

Parish News

AT HOME

Please note that there will be NO 'At Home' this Monday 9 October.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected this weekend.

FAREWELL

We would like to bid farewell to our Youth Minister Pat Ryan and invite you to come

for tea & cake on Sunday 15 October from 10am - 1pm. in the Lower Hall

CARE TAKER

Our very active parish is looking for an experienced caretaker. The successful candidate will be expected to work flexibly for 35 hrs/week, which will include some evenings and weekend

work. For further details & an application form (CVs not accepted) please contact Thelma D'Costa, Executive Assistant wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk or telephone 020 8946 0305. Closing date for applications is Friday 13 October 2017.

Announcements

YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

All young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited along to a retreat weekend (20-22 October) with the FCJ (Faithful Companions of Jesus) Sisters in East London. The retreat will be focused on prayer and discernment. Please contact Pat Ryan (youthminister@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk) for more details.

FORMATION FOR MINISTRY

The Merton Deanery invites you to a talk by Jenny Baker from CaFE on '*Liturgy for children - planting seeds for*

life' on Thursday 19 October at SS Peter & Paul, Mitcham CR4 4LD. For more info please contact sadiesmith3@talktalk.net

SERVERS

We are looking for volunteers ready to help with the serving at Mass especially at the 11.15am & 12.45pm Sunday Masses where there is a particular shortage of servers. Servers play a significant part in the liturgies assisting the priest in the celebration of the Mass. There is no restriction on age or gender and both young and the not so young would be more than welcome to train as our Sun-

day servers. If you are interested do give your name to one of the clergy or leave it in the Parish Office and you will be contacted. It is a very significant ministry within the parish so don't be reluctant. We are grateful to all our servers who add so much to our Sunday celebrations.

HOLY ROSARY

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. You are very welcome to join us for daily rosary at 6pm (except Sunday) in the Lady Chapel (behind the altar to the left) even if only for a decade.

Parish Organisations

WCFG

The Wimbledon Cancer Friendship Group offers friendship, information and a listening ear to anyone affected by any cancer. There will be an evening meeting on Thu 12 Oct from 7.30-9pm when Judy Rich will be talking about creating a written legacy that can be handed down to the next generation. She will be using different forms from creative writing, drawings and photos amongst a few, to create this legacy.

Wimbledon Guild, 30/32 Worple Road, SW19 4EF; 07948 767 936, wcfg@live.co.uk

Macmillan world's biggest Coffee morning: The WCFG thanks everyone who supported this annual event last Friday to raise funds for Macmillan. We successfully raised over £630. Thanks to everyone who donated cakes and raffle prizes and who joined us on the day.

ART GROUP

Change of dates for October: meeting on Tuesdays 17 & 24 October at 2.15-4.15pm in the Lower Hall, drawing/painting from life using a model (some materials available or bring your own). All welcome.

TRAIDCRAFT

The Traidcraft stall will be outside the church this Sunday morning.

Social, Cultural & Notices

GENERATIONS TOGETHER IT CLINICS

Generations Together IT Clinics continue on Fridays 13/10, 3/11, 10/11, 17/11 & 24/11 - 12.35pm at the UHS. Knowledgeable girls provide excellent computer and mobile phone tuition. All grades welcome. No charge. Contact Sheila Gent 020 8390 0119 to book a place.

LIFE

The AGM and Open Evening of the Wimbledon & District *LIFE - Pregnancy Matters, Life Matters* Group will be held on Thursday 12 October at 8pm at the Drake House, St George's Road, SW19 4ED. Peter Sullivan, a London Education Officer, will speak on '50 years'. Refreshments, all welcome, for info please contact Christine (020 3602 9213).

BABES IN THE WOODS

Edge Hill Players are running panto workshops and auditions for the children on Sundays 15 & 22 October. There

will be 2 sessions on each day, probably in the Lounge (tbc), the first straight after the Family Mass (~11am) and the second at 2.30pm. So, this means 4 opportunities to find out about the story - *Babes in the Woods* - and try some singing, dancing and acting with the producer/directors Wendy Tansey and Terry Marsh. These auditions are for children too young to be coming to the adult rehearsals for an hour on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm.

WIDOWERS SUPPORT

On Friday 20 October at 7pm you are invited for a simple supper & drink in the Parish Lounge. Come and meet other men who like you have lost loved ones and who may not be coping as well as you are. Come to offer others some support and maybe some suggestions on how best to manage the loss and loneliness of life without your other half. Grief is a particularly isolating experience and the best sup-

port at this time comes from those who have experienced it. Just being with someone who understands can be a great help. Perhaps some ideas for future activities could be shared. For further information, or to prompt some suggestions for the evening you can contact Sadie Smith on 020 8946 5198 sadiesmith3@talktalk.net or a member of the Parish Bereavement Support Group. You will be most welcome no matter how long ago or how recently your loved one has died.

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

You are invited to a Catholic History walk on 'The King's Good Servant' on Wednesday 25 October at 2pm. It is about the story of the heroic St Thomas More. Meet at the Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer, SW3 5HS. Cost £5, concessions available, walks may take up to 2 hrs.

New to the Parish?

Please introduce yourself
to a member of the
Parish Team after Mass
and complete a parish
registration form
available at the back of
the church.

WIMBLEDON COLLEGE

Wimbledon College are seeking to recruit an experienced Exams and Data Manager, please contact School Secretary, Annette Lawlor on 020 8879 9323 or see school website www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk for full details. Closing date is 12 October.

DONHEAD SCHOOL

The trustees will be making appointments to the governing body at the end of this year with the intention of new governors taking up their roles in January 2018. The school would welcome hearing from anyone who is interested in serving as a governor. Those appointed will be practising Catholics, supportive of the Jesuit identity and mission of the school and able to make a significant contribution to the skills range of the governing body. Should you wish to be considered for appointment, please send a brief CV to the Clerk to the Governors at Donhead School from whom further details can be obtained. Applications should be submitted by November 1st.

Exploring our Faith

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT

You are welcome to a morning of quiet reflection, Catholic Christian meditation & healing prayers on Sat 14 October 10.30am - 1pm in the Lounge after the 10am Mass. (Enquiries Eileen & David Brum 020 8542 2476.

ROSARY CRUSADE

On Saturday 14 October, the *Rosary Crusade* led by Rt. Revd. John Keenan, Bishop of Paisley, will once again take to the streets of London in honour of Our Lady in the month of the Holy Rosary.

Assemble by 1.45pm outside Westminster Cathedral, end about 5.15pm; donations required, for more info contact Francis Carey (01494 729223), Mathias Menezes (020 8764 02620) or email rosarycrusade@duc-in-altum.co.uk

MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE

Invites you to a one day workshop facilitated by Fr Roger Dawson SJ on 'Who Cares? Psychology for Helpers'. Sat 21 Oct from 11am-4pm. Please book in advance via www.pathwaystogod.org or

call 020 7495 1673; 114 Mount Street, London W1K 3AH

DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE

The Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock, Ireland, will be from 16-20 November, organised by the Divine Mercy Apostolate of Marian Fathers. Costs; £410 pp (includes return flight from LGW, half board, 4 nights). For more info please contact info@divinemercury.org.uk or call 020 8998 0925.

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Canon J Clark 11.15am Fr M Barnes SJ
 8.15am Canon V Elias 12.45pm Fr A Nunes SJ
 8.30am* Canon J Clark 5.00pm Canon J Clark
 9.45am Fr T Nwokeji 8.00pm Fr T Nwokeji

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	7	6.30pm	Muriel Eleanor Reid RIP & all Souls
Mon	9	7.30am	Hermione Salole RIP
		10.00am	Darryl Cullen RIP
		6.30pm	Gregory Ints.
Tue	10	7.30am	Gregory Ints.
		10.00am	Constance Davey RIP
		6.30pm	Rita De Lambert RIP
Wed	11	7.30am	Gregory Ints.
		10.00am	Thelma D'Costa Ints.
		6.30pm	Tricia Dipre Ints.
Thu	12	7.30am	Angela Hagan Ints.
		10.00am	Livio Ferrari RIP
		6.30pm	Gregory Ints.
Fri	13	7.30am	Gregory Ints.
		10.00am	Brian Bladen-Howell RIP
		6.30pm	Muriel Eleanor Reid RIP & all Souls
Sat	14	7.30am	Gregory Ints.
		10.00am	Teresa De Jesus Ints.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Gabrielle Meehan, Maureen Wrangle, Nicole W Browne, Kevin Wong and Gregory Piggott

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Livio Ferrari, Jan Bartelski, Rosemary Mackett, Mark Dyson, Mauro Marucci, Margaret Mary Peterson, Janna & Edward Michalowski

The sick: Fiona O'Reilly, Cath O'Neill, Lalita Nagar, Fr Phelim McGowan SJ, Donal Hogan, Sheila Johnstone, Judex Celine, John Burke-Gafney, John Douglas, Fr Michael O'Halloran SJ, Barbara Johnston, Linda Day, Eddie Power, Tom Searle, Iris Desmier, Paul Shannon, Sandra Broadbent, Daphne Minas, Gabriel Godfrey, Sr Charmaine, Yvonna Patton, Tracy Byrne, Giena Worth, Ronnie Bradnick, Alexander Skachkov, Baby Bleu Denley Saunders, Patricia Meehan, Joan Paul, Frank Micetich, Roberto Luigi Farina, Sophia Ridley, Avril Brown, Cindy Bayat, Bernadette McMurray, Anne Medicraft, Carol Escalona, David Fyfe, Mary Wallace, Rita Westbrook, Angela de Leon, Alina Hancock, Teresa Scanlon, Michael Hoskins, Electa Almeida, Caleb Edser, Julian Eddy, Troy Najair, Margaret Lumley and Andrew Tan [Please  advise the Reception when names can be removed.]

COLLECTIONS

Collection at Mass last Sunday came to £1,763 in loose plate giving and £455 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,218. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Monday 9 October St Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs

Tuesday 10 October St Paulinus of York, Bishop

Wednesday 11 October St John XXIII, Pope

Thursday 12 October St Wilfrid, Bishop

Friday 13 October St Edward the Confessor, King, Feast

Saturday 14 October St Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

EXPOSITION

Sundays: 3.00 - 4.00pm

(Prayers for the Pope and the Catholic Church in Britain)

Wednesdays: after the 7.30am and 10.00am Masses and 5.25 - 6.25pm

Fridays: 5.25 - 6.25pm

On first Fridays of the month there is exposition from after the 6.30pm Mass to Midnight.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays:

10.30 - 11.30am

3.00 - 4.00pm

6.00 - 6.20pm

Monday - Friday:

6.00 - 6.20pm

MUSIC AT THE 11.15am MASS

Missa de Angelis, Plainsong

Diffusa est gratia, Giovanni Nanino

If ye love me, Thomas Tallis

PARISH SERVICES

Parish Office/Reception Hours: 9am - 5pm (Mon-Fri) 9.30am - 1pm (Sat) 9am - 1pm (Sun) [A range of religious and greeting cards are on sale at very competitive prices - please feel free to call to view.]

Executive Assistant & Hall bookings: Thelma D'Costa (Mon - Fri 9.30am - 5pm)

Parish Pastoral Council: sacredheartwimbledonppc@gmail.com

Youth Minister: Pat Ryan youthminister@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

Baptism, Marriage, First Sacraments, Funerals contact the parish 020 8946 0305

Bereavement Support: For more information please contact the co-ordinator by email bereavementsacredheart@gmail.com or call 020 8946 5198, Referral forms available in the Presbytery Reception

Admission to Hospital: RC hospital chaplains will only be aware of your admission if you specifically ask for the hospital chaplaincy team to be informed. Please tell a member of the ward staff, it is also helpful to let your parish priest know.