



# Sacred Heart Parish

## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SACRED HEART CHURCH

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### THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

#### Sunday 25th

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Mass -

Bernard Ellis RIP (Peggy)

10:45am Mass -

Raymond Fenney RIP  
(M Fenney)

5:15pm Mass -

People of the Parish

#### Monday 26th

10am Mass -

Terry Patterson Ints  
(Ruby)

#### Tuesday 27th

No Mass

#### Wednesday 28th

No Mass

#### Thursday 29th

Sts Peter & Paul

10am Mass -

Kathleen Meenaghan (Tom)

12pm Mass -

Mark Nolan RIP (Nolan family)

7pm Mass -

People of the Parish

#### Friday 30th

Ss Roman Protomartyrs

7pm Mass -

Grenfell Fire victims Ints  
(Lia & Luke Johnson)

#### Saturday 1st

Consecration of Arundel  
Cathedral

10am Mass -

Joe O'Neil RIP (M Frohock)

#### Sunday 2nd

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Mass -

Frank & Mary Russell RIP  
(G Bratza)

10:45am Mass -

People of the Parish

5:15pm Mass -

George & Margaret Stone RIP  
(C Stone)



In order to prepare for First Holy Communion 2018 we would like to invite parents of children currently in year 2 (year 3 in September 2017) to register their interest for next year's programme. Please send an email with your child's name and date of birth to the new email address [fhc@sacred-heart.co.uk](mailto:fhc@sacred-heart.co.uk). This will give us an idea of numbers and enable us to plan (please note that you will not be registered yet, it is purely for planning purposes). The official registration form and full details will be available in July, please keep an eye on the newsletter for updates and deadlines. It is hoped that the programme will commence in October 2017.

#### Coloma Convent Girls' School

A Thanksgiving Mass will be offered at Saint George's Cathedral, Westminster Bridge Road, SE1 7HY on Thursday 13th July 2017 at 2:30 PM to mark the retirement of Mrs Maureen Martin, who has been Headteacher since 1995. A warm invitation is extended to all. Light refreshments will be served



after Mass.

**Madaba** - Eliz and Mike Wood have visited our linked parish of St John the Baptist in Jordan.

The parish has 800 families. 100 families are refugees from Iraq. Fr Eyad Bader is doing an excellent job ministering to his own parishioners, many of whom are very poor, and the refugees.

On Friday 30th June we will give a full report back to parishioners in the Old Hall after the 7pm Mass. Everyone is welcome to share their thoughts and ideas and a glass of wine. Some small enterprises are being set up in Jordan to support the refugees. One group is making rosary beads. We have a supply in the parish shop for sale at £3.95 each.

Dates for your diary: The **JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP** have arranged a discussion and study course on Pope Francis' challenging and invigorating encyclical "LAUDATO SI" ("On Care For Our Common Home") to be held at 7.30pm Monday 11th, Monday 18th and Monday 25th September also Monday 2nd October. Please keep these dates in your diary.

The first session will be led by Martin Brown, diocesan CAFOD representative. More details will follow from the J&P group in due course.

This time Bishop Richard is asking for your prayers both for the Grenfell Tower tragedy and the Finsbury Mosque attack. Bishop Richard has suggested that anyone who wishes to contribute towards the Grenfell Tower tragedy can do so through the Westminster Diocese website <http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations/donate.asp?dtype=single&id=49>

Today there will be a collection for Peter's Pence (not eligible for Parish Gift Aid).

#### SVP Film Club - Monday 26th June at 2pm in the Old Hall

Our film this month is 'Jackie'. A portrait of one of the most important and tragic moments in American history, seen through the eyes of the iconic First Lady, played by Natalie Portman. (Please be aware that 'Jackie' has a 15 classification)



St Philomena's Catholic High School for girls - Open Evening Tuesday 4th July 2017 3:30 - 8pm.

#### 10.45 Tea Rota Volunteers.

More helpers are needed please. If you would like to join the rota for Sunday 10.45 Mass Tea/Coffee Rota please email [marionhilltop@msn.com](mailto:marionhilltop@msn.com) or speak to Sue or Mark Fanthome.



The Eucharist - (Part 4) The Mass in the community.

**Join us** - and also for our consideration of the readings for next Sunday. **All welcome!** 8.00pm. **Wednesday 28th June, in the Old Hall**



**Baptisms** - Alexa Carroll & Naltalya Goncalves will be baptised here next weekend. Please keep them in your prayers.

**SUMMER IN THE FOREST.** This film is a poetic documentary that follows the life of the L'Arche community in

#### Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:  
Offertory: £752.76  
(Gift Aid: £375.26)  
Second Collection -  
Day for Life: £277.77

Trosly, France, where people with learning disabilities and their carers have found what it truly means to be human. It will be in cinemas and online June 23rd and is guaranteed to make you laugh, cry, and see the world through new eyes.

**Vacancies** - Part-time Secretary to Bishop Richard - Please see notice board for details. Closing date 6th July.

**The centenary of the Fatima Apparitions.** the **Visitation of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue and the relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco** on Saturday 1 July and Sunday 2 July with an act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Bishop Richard Moth after 11.15am Mass. You can also find a full programme on [www.worlfatima-emglandandwales.org.uk](http://www.worlfatima-emglandandwales.org.uk)

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## Your Prayers are requested for the following people who are ill or housebound:

Pat Knight; Kathleen & John Saunders; Helen Keogh; Daisy Hill; Christopher Browne; Kit Monk; Krista Thompson; Jane Hill; Rosemary Whale; Pam Weaver; Jimmy Mullen; Margaret Robertson; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rowen; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Oliver Farrell; Seeta Pillay; Elise O'Connor; John Gilford; Chris Norman; Baby Tabitha Harrison; Christine Vernon; Maureen Kelly; Mary Wallace; Don Hancock; Gina Waiton; Joe Kelly; Ian Lester; Fred Ardley; Cathy Linsell; Charmaine Wise; Breda Sharpe; Derek Walker; Richard Sowa & Pat Power.



## WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun 25th: Children's liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Masses  
Coffee and Tea after 10:45am Mass  
Mon 26th: Teas & coffee after Mass  
2pm SVP Film Club (Old Hall)  
Tues 27th: 9:15-11:15am Toddler group (St Thomas' Hall)  
Wed 28th: 8:30am Ecumenical morning prayer (St Peter & Paul's, Chaldon)  
8pm Journey of Faith (Old Hall)  
Thurs 29th: 7:30pm Choir practice (Old Hall)  
Fri 30th: 7:30pm Madaba presentation (Old Hall)  
Sun 2nd: Children's liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Masses  
Coffee and Tea after 9am & 10:45am Mass

## Gospel Reflection

In today's Gospel, our Lord urges his followers to have courage when it comes to speaking the truth. In this passage we understand that to proclaim what Christ has taught us is the function of the Church par excellence, and if of the Church in general, then of us in particular. He also urges us to be unafraid even of martyrdom, for those who would oppress us can only kill the body: eternal life is worth far more than that. Our Lord clearly draws up the battle-lines; we must be either for him, or else we are against him, and if we are ashamed of our faith, then he will also be ashamed of us.

There is such an urge to conform in the present world; while a great deal of lip-service is paid to those who swim against the current or refuse to run with the herd, in practice there has never been an age of such conformity. In saying that people want to be individual, they end up looking like everyone else. As some writer or other has said: 'revolution inevitably becomes the new conformity'. The Christian who never admits to being a Christian may as well not be a Christian as far as his neighbour—whom he may well have saved with a little trouble—is concerned. And, we may infer from today's Gospel, as far as our Lord is concerned, more to the point.

The second reading is one of the more significant passages in the letters of St Paul, and it repays some careful reading, since (as so often with this writer) sometimes his thoughts go faster than his words, and you have to reflect a bit to find out just what he is trying to say. His first point is that death came into the world because someone ('Adam') broke the higher Law of God's will, not because he transgressed the Law of Moses. Jewish converts had criticized the early Gentile Christians for not keeping the Law of Moses, but St Paul is pointing to the higher Law above and beyond it. Just as the Mosaic Law cannot bring death, so it cannot bring life either. But the new covenant brought by Jesus can. Our Lord is the new Adam, reversing what Adam did, and did not come to enforce the law of Moses, but to bring life in its fullness. What he has done by his passion, death and resurrection has not just undone the fall brought about by Adam, but 'considerably outweighed' it.

If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

## Psalter Week 4 NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a

Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

Matthew 10:37-42

**Morning Prayer** every Monday 9:40am  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
every Tuesday 9am to 10am

**Rosary** every Wednesday & Thursday  
9:40am

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
Saturdays: 9am – 10am

**Confessions** every Saturday 10:30am  
– 11:00am

**Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual**

**Succour** - after Saturday Mass

**Benediction** every Sunday 4:45pm

## APF Red Boxes

We have collected £614.28  
in our red boxes this year up  
to the end of May. Thank you

for your efforts in supporting the excellent work  
of the missions. However, there are a number of  
red boxes at the back of the church some of  
which have been there since October last year.  
Would holders please collect their boxes so they  
will be ready for the next collection which will be  
at the end of September. If for any reason you  
are unable to continue supporting this important



work, would you please let me know. Moyra  
Brohier, Local Secretary APF Red Boxes. Tel:  
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**Power to Be:** Every child has the power to  
achieve great things, but one in six people live  
without electricity. This holds children back from  
reaching their full potential. Join CAFOD's Cam-  
paign and speak up for local renewable energy  
to help families around the world lift themselves  
out of poverty. Go to [Cafod.org.uk/powertobe](http://Cafod.org.uk/powertobe) for  
more information.

Please note that there will not be Mass on Tuesday and Wednesday. As Thursday 29th is a day of Holy Obligation we have 3 Masses, 10am, 12pm & 7pm

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