

### Towards Advent 2016

A Festival of Catholic Culture is being held on Saturday 26th November in Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue London SW1 1QJ from 10am. Over 30 organisations will be attending and it is an opportunity for them to give an insight into their activities and they will also have many articles for sale. Admission is free. In addition some talks and workshops will be given during the event. Further details are available on '[towardsadvent@blogspot.com](mailto:towardsadvent@blogspot.com)'

### **FAITH MATTERS: Advent 2016**

**'UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN' (ISAIAH 9:6): THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES AND JESUS.**

**Tue 22nd Nov 2016:** 'Full of Grace': Our Lady, the Annunciation, and us by Fr. Nicholas Crowe OP. Exploring Mary's consent to God's work of salvation and what this means for us.

**Mon 28th Nov 2016:** The Visitation: Elizabeth's example of Marian Prayer by Fr. Paul Rowse OP. How should we speak to someone who does not live on earth anymore? Can it even be done? The mother of John the Baptist offers us prayer as the way our familiar and filial relationship with the Saviour's Mother is renewed by us.

**Mon 5th Dec 2016:** The Nativity: This will be a sign for you (Luke 2: 12) by Fr. Martin Ganeri OP. What does the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem show us about God and his plan for humanity?

**Mon 12th Dec:** Recognising the Redeemer; Sharing Jesus' Journey Home: The Presentation in the Temple by Fr. Richard Conrad OP.

Vaughan House, 46 Francis St, SW1P 1QN. 7.00pm to 8.30pm. Booking is required. Register at [livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk) or if you have no access to the Internet call at 020 7931 6078.

What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

## *Mazenod Social Club*

020 7624 5517

Manager: Anna Redmond

Assistant Manager: Mags Conway

### Monday:

Ballroom of Romance from 8.30pm

### Tuesday:

25 Card School in Lounge

Bingo: 6.45 – 7.45pm in Hall

Salsa: 8-11pm. Lessons 8-9pm

### Wednesday:

Pensioners Advisory Service from 10am – 1pm. Please arrive by 11am

### Friday:

Salsa Party - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday

Line Dancing- 2nd Friday

Set Dancing – last Friday

### Music Every Monday & Saturday Night

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> November  
The Wanderers in Lounge

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Ballroom of Romance with  
Tony Kearney

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Nov (and every Tues)  
Bingo in Hall 6.45 – 7.45pm  
Books £5 each - includes free raffle.  
This week's Snowball Prize - £100

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Nov  
The Dublin City Ramblers In Cabaret  
Tickets £10. On sale in Club  
Doors open 7.30pm. On stage 9.15pm

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Anton & Lyn in Lounge

Sacred Heart Parish  
Christmas Dinner Dance  
Sat 17<sup>th</sup> December 2016  
5 Course Hot Buffet  
Music by Pat & Mustang  
Ticket £25 on sale now

# Sacred Heart Church

Newsletter for 13th November 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### **++November – Month of the Holy Souls++**

If you would like to include the names of your deceased relative or friends on our November List of the Dead, please take an envelope and the purple page from the back of the church and return to the Parish Office. All names will be prayed for at every Mass during November.

*May the Souls of all the faithfully departed rest in peace.*

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Can all ministers, please sign the duty list in the Sacristy before Mass starts.

### **Next Parish Dinner**

The next Parish Dinner organised by Fr Terry, will be held on Thursday 15th December at 7pm. The venue has yet to be confirmed. 4 course dinner in a beautiful restaurant for £15. Please book with the Parish Office.

### **Poor & Needy**

Many thanks to all those that donate food through the Heart at the front of the Altar.

***Please do not donate 2nd hand clothing as we have no where to store any items. Please continue to give your unwanted clothes to a local Charity Shop.***

The Porch Project is going well on a Thursday evening. Please continue to pray for the volunteers and the guests that we welcome every Thursday.

Many thanks to the teams of volunteers who help at the homeless shelter in Cricklewood 4 nights a week.

Thank you for all those who donate through the poor box.

In every way your generosity is really appreciated.

### **Confirmation Programme**

Next Sunday 20th November we welcome the Confirmation Candidates to their class which will begin at 11.15am in the School Hall.



### **First Holy Communion**

The next lesson will be held on Sunday 27th November at 11.15am, followed by Mass at 12.30pm



### **Altar Servers**

A meeting has been arranged for all Altar Servers on Saturday 19th November at 11am in the Church. For further information please speak to Fr. Tom.

*Do all the good you can,  
By all the means you can,  
In all the ways you can,  
In all the places you can,  
At all the times you can,  
As long as ever you can*

John Wesley



## Annual Mass with the Bereaved

We will be holding our annual mass with all those who have experienced the death of a relative or friend during the past twelve months on **Friday November 18th at 7.30pm**. If you would like the name of someone called out, no matter where the funeral was held, please contact the parish office with their name and if possible a photo of them.

## Funeral Arrangements

**Frank O'Neil** late of St Eugene Court. Funeral Mass Monday 14th November at 12.15pm. Frank's body will then be repatriated to Ireland.

## Blessings of Graves

The Priests from our Parish will bless the graves at Paddington Old Cemetery on Sunday November 20th at 2pm. Please meet our Priests at the gates of the cemetery and they will make their way to the individual graves.

## Christmas Novena Masses

Christmas Novena Mass cards are now available from the Parish Office. These make an ideal Christmas gift.

## The Sacrament of Baptism

Sr Lucilla has changed her day for parents to come and register their child for Baptism from Monday to **Wednesday**. Please call to the Parish Office any Wednesday morning from 9am—12 noon to discuss your child's Baptism.



We welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism **Mazie Staggs-Gittins, Danny Staggs-Gittins, Elani Shi-Anna Angelina Rogenes Perez, Lamara Ophelia Zarina Rogenes Perez and James Whyte.**

Next Sunday at 12.30pm Mass, we welcome the children who will be baptised in the coming weeks.

## Can you help bring a Parishioner to Mass?

A Parishioner living in Maygrove Road would like help to come to either the 9am or 11am Mass. If you can help, please let Fr Michael know. Thank you.

## Readers of the Word

please collect your new rota from the Sacristy.

## Diary Dates

**SVP Meeting** Wednesday 16th November at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room.

## **Water Awareness Weekend**

On the weekend of 19th/20th November, we will hold a weekend to highlight the importance of water and its usage. Ronan Lavery will speak at all Masses on 20th November and water bottles will be on sale after Mass.



## Caring for the House of God

Thank you to all that attended the meeting on Tuesday regarding fire awareness in the Church. If you attended please collect your envelope from the sacristy.

The main points raised were:-

- ◆ Fire spreads very quickly
- ◆ Be mindful of papers & dried flowers near candles
- ◆ In an emergency always help those with less mobility and the elderly
- ◆ If the fire alarm sounds, evacuate the building immediately
- ◆ Exit points at the main & side doors and also via the sacristy.
- ◆ Never leave a mobile phone charger on longer than needed.

**Thank you all for your consideration**

## Parish Crèche

Our Monday morning Crèche runs from 9.30am-11.30am. This Monday we will meet at the Parish house.

## Free English Classes

English classes for Adults at 14a Quex Road, Tuesdays from 10am—12 noon. please speak to Fr Lylie for more info.

## Young at Heart Club

This week the group will travel to a Garden Centre, wagons roll at 1.30pm on Wednesday.

## Mental Health Support Group

We now have a support group for parents/carers supporting children and teenagers with mental health needs. Please join us for an informal coffee morning where you can meet and share with others in a similar situation. Every Thursday 11am – 1 pm at the Parish House. Come along!

## Quex Youth News

Our Youth Group for 11-15 year olds meet on a Friday evening in St Eugene's School Hall from 7pm-8.30pm. New members Welcome. A great range of activities to enjoy.

## Saturday Afternoon Club

Do you have a child with additional needs? If so, why not come along any Saturday afternoon to the Club that meets in the Parish House from 2pm-4pm and have a chat with Maria.

## 2nd Collections

We have decided **not** to have the second collection for Sick and Retired Priests this Sunday. If you wish to donate, envelopes are available from the back of the Church. Many thanks.

## The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

When Adults wish to become Catholics, they join a group called the RCIA. This group, which operates in most parishes throughout the world, is set up to help adults on this very special journey as they discover where God is calling them. Our group meet every Tuesday in the parish house at 7.30pm. Please remember our candidates and their Team in your prayers.

## Way of the Cross

All are welcome to attend "Way of The Cross with Bishop Hudson and the Youth of The Diocese on Saturday 19th November at 2.30pm in Westminster Cathedral

## St Mary's Catholic Primary School

The Executive Headmistress Mrs Titus, invites applications for free, full time nursery places available to children born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013. For further details, please email [admin@marycps.brent.sch.uk](mailto:admin@marycps.brent.sch.uk) or call 020 7624 1830.

## The Art of Dying Well

The art of dying well is a new website that offers a helping hand to those grappling with issues around death and dying. Based in the Catholic tradition but open to all, it features real-life stories about dealing with the journey through death to eternal life. It has been launched this month—November being the traditional month for remembering and praying for the dead. [www.artofdyingwel.org](http://www.artofdyingwel.org). Prayer cards are available from the Repository Shop.

## Taize Prayer during Advent

Advent Taize style prayer begins on Tuesday 29th Nov at 7pm in the church and will continue at the same time on 6th, 13th and 20th December. We will sing some simple chants, hear a Gospel reading and spend a short time in silence. Why not join us and take the opportunity to spend some time in preparation for the miracle of Christmas?

**'O Come, Let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord'**

