

**St Mary's Catholic Primary School,  
Canterbury Road, Kilburn**

The Head-teacher, Mrs Quinlan invites applications for admission to Reception Class 2018 for children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014. For Nursery Class 2018 applications are invited for children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015. The closing date for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Parents are invited to telephone the school for an appointment to have an individualised tour of the school. Call 020 7624 1830.

Please help yourself to the contents from our table at the back of the Church on the mornings we get donations from Tesco.

**Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimage 2018**  
7 nights B&B and Airport Shuttle Service from £279.00 per person. For further information, please contact Jackie on 0203 239 8662 or email [reservations@med-irishcentre.com](mailto:reservations@med-irishcentre.com) Website [www.med-irishcentre.com](http://www.med-irishcentre.com)

## Maybe

Maybe it is in the waiting for God,  
Not in the wandering from store to store,  
That we find our way.

Maybe it is in the friendship of God,  
Not in the frenzy of the crowds,  
That we are led to the manger.

Maybe it is in the steadfast love of God,  
And not in the pile of stuff under the tree,  
That we find what we have been searching  
for all our lives.

Maybe, just maybe, God of Advent,  
this year will be different.

Maybe, just maybe,  
We will let you lead us to Bethlehem.

*Thom M Shuman*

**Mazenod Social Club**  
020 7624 5517  
**Manager: Anna Redmond**  
**Assistant Manager: Mags Conway**

**Opening Hours**  
Monday – Thursday: 5pm to Midnight  
Friday: 5pm to 1:30am  
Saturday: Noon to 1:30am  
Sunday: Noon to 10pm

**Weekly Events**  
Mon: Ballroom of Romance • Social Dancing  
Tues: 25 Card School in Lounge / Salsa in Hall  
Wed: Elderly Irish Advice in Hall from 10am  
Fri: Line Dancing - 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri each month

**Live Music every**  
**Monday & Saturday night**  
**Sat 9<sup>th</sup> December**  
Anton & Lyn in Lounge from 9:30pm

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup> December**  
Ballroom of Romance with  
Pat & Mustang from 8:30pm



**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December**  
Mazenod Social Club  
Christmas Party  
Music by DJ Deno

**60's; 70's; 80's; Irish; Country**  
Buffet & late Bar  
Strictly over 18's only  
**Tickets on sale now: £10**



**Mon 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
Ballroom of Romance with  
Tom Healy from 8:30pm

**Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> December**  
The Doctors in Lounge from 9:30pm



From 9pm 'til late  
Music by DJ Deno  
Tickets: £10  
Strictly no under 8's admitted

# Sacred Heart Church

**Newsletter for 10th December 2017 Second Sunday of Advent**  
Contact Details: Telephone: **0207 624 1701**, Email: [parish@omiquex.org.uk](mailto:parish@omiquex.org.uk)  
Websites: [www.omiquex.org.uk](http://www.omiquex.org.uk). & [www.oblates.co.uk](http://www.oblates.co.uk)



## The Gospels of Advent

Advent is time when we are asked to prepare and get ready to celebrate Christmas. One way we can do this is to take a little time each week to read and reflect on the Word of God. Please take a leaflet home and make a little time and space to pray and read the **Gospel for the 2nd Sunday of Advent.**

### Advent & Christmas Timetable

The list of times of our **Advent and Christmas Services** are available at the back of the church. Please take one home with you and keep it in a visible place. It may stop you phoning to ask what time is midnight mass!

**Christmas Novena Cards** are available from the Parish Office, they would make an ideal Christmas gift. All names on the list will be prayed for at all masses during Christmas

There is a variety of Christmas cards and stock available from the Shop at the back of the Church. **Thank you for supporting our Repository shop.**



Our Parish Cup of Tea will be held today after 9am Mass. All are welcome to join our Priests and other Parishioners for a cup of tea or coffee in the Community Centre.

### **A Weekend with a difference.**

Have you ever felt the call to the Priesthood or Religious Life? Do you want the opportunity to discern that call. If so, why not spend a weekend with the Oblates of Mary Immaculate at our retreat Centre in Wistaston Hall, Crewe from 16th –18th May 2018. for more information, please contact Fr John McFadden OMI by email at [j.mcfadden@oblates.co.uk](mailto:j.mcfadden@oblates.co.uk)

### **Venite Adoramus:**

#### **Taize Prayer during Advent**

Taize style prayer will be held in the church **on Tuesday 12th and 19th at 7pm.** Join us as we sing some simple chants, hear a Gospel reading and spend a short time in silence. Why not take the opportunity to spend some time in preparation for the miracle of Christmas? **'O Come, Let us adore him, Christ the Lord'**

### **The Parish Penitential Service**

will be held on Wednesday 20th December at 7.30pm. All welcome to attend.



**The Parish Office** will be closed for our Christmas Break from Friday 22nd December and re-open on Wednesday 3rd January at 9am.

All are welcome to bring their native crib to be blessed at all Masses on Sunday 24th December.

**We regretfully announce the deaths of the following people from our parish**

**Maria Germani** late of Hendon Way and the Proprietor of a café on Belsize Road for 40 years. Funeral Mass Thursday 14th December at 12.15pm, following onto Hampstead Cemetery at 1.30pm.

**Jose Antonio Vieira De Freitas** late of Hazel Close NW9. Funeral Service at Golders Green Crematorium at 11.30am on Wednesday 20th December 2017.

**Allan Carr** late of Dunster Gardens, funeral Mass Thursday 21st December at 12.15pm, following onto St Mary's Cemetery at 1.30pm.

**James Hinds** Funeral service Wednesday 27th December at Golders Green Crematorium at 10am

**Seamus Higgins**, late of Rowley Way. Funeral arrangements to be announced.

**The Sacrament of Baptism**

This weekend we are delighted to welcome to the family of God.

**Harvey Berryman**

**Ronnie Berryman**

**Lea Raine Domingo**

Sr. Lucilla is available on Thursday mornings from 9am until 12 noon to complete the necessary paperwork.

*Baptism certificates are ready for collection from the Parish Office within a week of the Baptism taking place.*



**Thank You so Much**

Thank you for your continued support of the parish through your gift giving at Mass every weekend.

**Figures for Building Fund Debt 2017**

	£
9 months of second collections....	8,759
Donations.....	685
Fundraising.....	4,556
Total repaid in 2017.....	14,000
Debt now owing.....	99,000

Thank you to all for the contributions throughout the year.

Today we welcome the **Confirmation Candidates** to the 12.30pm Mass.

Please keep all the Candidates, Parents and the Catechists all in your prayers.



**RCIA**

Today at 12.30pm Mass we also welcome the **RCIA group**. All the candidates will be presented with a bible. Please keep them in your prayers.



**The Porch Project**



Our Porch Project is open to anyone in the Community who may be lonely or homeless. We operate from the Meeting Room at the back of the Parish House from 5.30pm—9.30pm on Thursday evening. Volunteers are needed, please call and speak to James any Thursday evening.

The Big Clean for Christmas will take place in the Church on Friday 15th December at 4pm. All welcome to come along and lend a hand. Mince Pies & music will be provided.

Can Parents of **Altar Servers** please contact Fr Tom at the Parish Office 0207 624 1701 in order that he may organise a rota for the Christmas Masses.



**Heart Appeal**

Many thanks to those who donate to the **Heart Appeal** in the Church. In any week we could have up to 40 callers to the Parish House for food. Your donations make it possible to feed them. Please consider taking a leaflet from the basket and returning it to the front of the altar. For storage reasons we cannot accept clothing. Thank you.

**God Waits**

God waits silently in our inner recesses,  
The chambers of our soul,  
Gazing lovingly on our treasure  
Awaiting our response.

*Yvonne Morland*

Our **Parent and Toddler** group meet every Monday at 9.15am outside the church and we go round to the Hullabaloo Centre. Come along and join us for a cuppa and a chat. Please speak with Martha any Monday.

Our **Youth Club** meets every Friday in the Parish House at Quex Road from 7pm till 8.30pm. **New members most welcome**. We have a wide range of crafts and other activities every week.

The **English classes** will finish for Christmas this Tuesday 12th December and return on 15th January from 10am—12noon 14a Quex Road.

The **Irish Pension Advisory Service** will close for its Christmas break this Wednesday 13th December and re-open on Wednesday 3rd January.

Young at Heart Come along any Wednesday to our **Young at Heart Club** from 1pm—3pm at the Marian Centre, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Stafford Road, West Kilburn. Or speak with Fr Terry. This Wednesday will be Christmas Crafts & Bingo and on Thursday a group will go to Morrison's for a Christmas dinner.

Our **Credit Union** is open the following times in the Parish house. **Monday-6.30pm-8pm Tuesday-9.30pm-11.30am**. Please call in and join us. All you need is proof of address and some form of identity like a passport or driving licence. Start saving now for the Summer!

**Care and Share** is a weekly support group for parents and carers with children who are living with mental health conditions or additional needs, wanting to talk in a comfortable setting about their concerns or any issues they may be facing in their day to day lives. Come along and speak with Izzy any Thursday morning from 9.30am—10.30am in the Parish House.

Do you have a child with additional needs? If so, why not bring them to our club which meets every Saturday from 1.30pm—4pm. We have a wide range of activities every week. Please call in and speak with Maria any Saturday afternoon in the Presbytery.

If you would like to read at Midnight Mass or 9am & 11am on Christmas Day, please sign the sheet in the Sacristy.

**Who will celebrate Christmas?**

Who among us will celebrate Christmas correctly? Whoever finally lays down all power, all honor, all reputation, all vanity, all arrogance, all individualism beside the manger; whoever remains lowly and lets God alone be high; whoever looks at the child in the manger and sees the glory of God precisely in his lowliness  
*Dietrich Bonhoeffer*