

We **welcome back** the staff and pupils to our schools this week after their Easter Holidays for the final term of the academic year.

Couples intending to celebrate their **marriage** here or any other catholic church throughout the world must give **6 months'** notice and make an appointment with one of the priest's to complete the necessary paperwork.

Please continue to help yourself to the **giving table** at the porch with the bread and cakes from Tesco's on the day's we receive it.

Many thanks for your magnificent support of the **Foodbank** here in the Church. Please take a slip of paper from the heart on the pillar of the church and return what is on it to the basket at the front of the altar.

Pope Francis has written an excellent letter to the Church on the universal call to holiness. We hope to have copies available in the Holy Shop at the back of the Church next week.

March for Life UK/LifeFest 18 will take place on Saturday 5th May in Central London. 9.30-1pm LifeFest in Connaught Rooms, Convent Garden. 1.30pm procession/march 2.30-4pm Rally in Parliament Square with speeches. A full itinerary is available at marchforlife.co.uk or see the poster at the back of the Church for more information.

Volunteers are needed to help Irish older persons pensioner club on a Monday morning (11.15am) to set up and support. Please contact Chrissie for more information on 07946 120596.



St George's Day will be celebrated on Monday 23rd April.

Be content with where you are, who you are, and what you have.

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 - Adult Social Dancing

Tues: 25 Card School in Lounge/Salsa in Hall

Wed: Pensioner Advice Service in hall from 10am

Sat 14th April

David White in lounge from 9:30pm

Mon 16th April

Ballroom of Romance with Seamus Moore & Slim Attraction from 8:30pm

Sat 21st April

Saoirse in lounge from 9:30pm

Mon 23rd April

Ballroom of Romance with Joe & Gerry

Sat 28th April

Epic Ceili Fundraiser

All to raise funds to help host the next instalment of the Camden-Tulla Music Exchange involving more than 50 young musicians from London and East Clare. Come all day and all night, or just dip in for a bit during one of the following sections:

12-3pm: Tea, cakes and music across the generations

3-6pm: Set Dancing Céilí to live music

6-8pm: Concert

8-11pm: Céilí for all with caller Martin Faherty

Admission: £10

Evening Trad Session in the LOUNGE from 9pm – free admission

Sacred Heart Church

Newsletter for 15th April 2018

Contact Details: Telephone: **0207 624 1701**, Email: parish@omiquex.org.uk

Websites: www.omiquex.org.uk. & www.oblates.co.uk

Earth Day 2018

BE THE CHANGE:

On 22nd April, we will celebrate Earth Day 2018. The theme for this year is 'End Plastic Pollution'

From poisoning and injuring marine life to disrupting human hormones, from littering our beaches and landscapes to clogging our waste streams and landfills, the exponential growth of plastics is now threatening the survival of our planet.

In response, Earth Day 2018 is dedicated to providing the information and inspiration needed to fundamentally change human attitude and behaviour about plastics.

Earth Day Network is working to secure a future free of plastic pollution. Please join us! You can sign the petition online at <https://www.earthday.org/end-plastic-pollution-petition>

You are invited to an **evening of information, discussion and prayer** on the issues facing our environment here in Sacred Heart Parish, led by Sr. Margaret Muldoon in the Presbytery, on **Wednesday 25th April at 7:30pm**.

Earth Day Prayer

O GOD, we thank you for this earth, our home; for the wide sky and the blessed sun, for the ocean and streams, for the towering hills and the whispering wind, for the trees and green grass.

WE THANK YOU for our senses by which we hear the songs of birds, and see the splendor of fields of golden wheat, and taste autumn's fruit, and rejoice in the feel of snow, and smell the breath of spring flowers.

GRANT US a heart opened wide to all this beauty; and save us from being so blind that we pass unseeing when even the common thorn bush is aflame with your glory.

Amen.

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 on 18th—20th May. For more information, contact Fr John McFadden OMI at j.mcfadden@oblates.co.uk.

Sunday 22nd April is the world day of prayer for vocations

Today at all masses we will have a second collection for Priest Training fund. Thank you for your generosity

Funeral and Death Notices

Bridget Finn, late of Kilburn Gate. Funeral Mass Monday 23rd April at 12.15pm, following onto Kensal Green Cemetery for 1.30pm.

Walter Fortune late of Crediton Hill. Service at East Chapel—Golders Green Crematorium on Tuesday 24th April at 10.30am.

Mercedes Ryan Late of Edinburgh House. Funeral Mass Tuesday 24th April at 12.15pm, following onto St Mary's Cemetery at 1.30pm.

Michael Quinlan late of Kilburn and Cricklewood. Repatriation Service on Wednesday 25th April at 7pm. Following with burial in Co. Kerry, Ireland.

Thomas Moylan late of Connault Road. Reception into Church on Thursday 26th April at 6pm. Funeral Mass Friday 27th April at 12.15pm, following onto Paddington Old Cemetery for 1.30pm.

Cornelius O'Shea late of Barlow Road. Reception into Church Monday 30th April at 7pm. Funeral Mass Tuesday 1st May at 2.30pm, following onto West London Crematorium at 3.45pm

++++May their souls rest in peace++++

The next Cemetery Mass at St Mary's will be on Monday 7th May at 11am. All are welcome to attend.



If you have a **child that you would like to be baptised** in the coming months, please call to the Parish Office any Thursday morning between 9 and 12 to meet with Sr. Lucilla. We welcome into the Church through the sacrament of Baptism.

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Today at 12.30pm Mass we welcome the babies who will be baptised to the first part of the Rite of Baptism.

The next Baptism preparation class will be held on Monday 14th May at 9.30am in the Parish House.



This Sunday we welcome the boys and girls who are preparing for their communion in a few weeks time to class at 11am in the School Hall followed by Mass at 12.30pm.

The celebrations of Communion will be on Saturday May 12th.



Next Sunday we welcome the teenagers from the **Confirmation Group** to their class at 11.15am followed by Mass at 12.30pm

This year's RCIA group will meet for the final time on Tuesday 24th April at 7.30pm in the Parish House. Certificates will be presented for the celebration of Baptism and Confirmation.

Today at 3pm, we welcome the members of the Filipino Community who gather for their monthly Mass in Tagalog. All are welcome to join them.

Our Parent and Toddler group meet every Monday in the Parish House from 9.15am until 11am. Please feel free to call in.

The Credit Union meet in the Parish House on Monday evenings from 6.30pm—8.00pm and Tuesday mornings from 9.30am—11.00am

Free **English Classes** take place every Tuesday morning at 14a Quex Road from 10am—12noon. The Class will commence again on Tuesday 10th April. New members are welcome.

Sr Noella is running a class in crochet every Tuesday from 2.30pm till 4pm in the Parish House. New members welcome.



The Young At Heart Club meet every Wednesday at the Marian Centre in West Kilburn from 12.30pm until 3pm.

The full list of activities until July is displayed at the back of the Church. New members are always welcome. The group are planning a holiday to Malta in October. This week we welcome Pauline who will lead is in a session of chair yoga.

The **Friday night Youth Club** for pupils in Year 6 and 1st year of Secondary School will resume on Friday 21st April at 6pm in the Parish House.

The **Senior Youth Club** will resume on Saturday evening April 21st at 7pm in the Parish House.

Our **Saturday afternoon Club** for young people with additional needs will begin meeting again on April 22nd from 2pm until 4pm. For more information, please contact Maria at the Club.

Oblate Summer Retreat

Building Bridges. Dealing with Differences and Managing Conflict in Everyday Life.

Facilitated by Fr. Lorcán O'Reilly OMI
Date Saturday, 28th July from 10.30am until 2.00pm on Monday, 30th July. Venue Oblate Retreat Centre, 89 Broughton Lane, Crewe CW2 8JS. For more information, please contact Kirk Jacob, Oblate Partners in Mission 0207 624 7296 or email kirk.oblate.partners@gmail.com



If you would like to join the **Oblates on their annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes**, the dates are 17th—22nd September and the cost is £554.00 which includes flights, airport transfer and full

board in a four star hotel. For further information, please see our website at www.omiquex.org or contact the Parish Office at 0207 624 1701

Fr. Terry will join the Travelling Community next week on a trip to Lourdes. He has promised to remember us all at the Grotto.

We have a team of Solicitors that visit the Parish once a month to give free legal advice, where they offer half an hour slots.

If you would like an appointment, please speak to the Parish Office on 0207 624 1701. Please be advised that spaces are limited, and there is usually a waiting list.

The next meeting for the SVP Group (St Vincent de Paul) will be held on Wednesday 18th April at 7.30pm in the Parish House.

We have received a letter of appreciation from **CAFOD** that the amount of £2,866.00 was received from the appeal on Lent fast day. Thank you for your generosity.