

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](http://marchforlife.co.uk) or see the poster at the back of the Church for more information.

The Irish Pension Advisory Service is available every Wednesday morning from 10am—1pm in the Community Centre. For more information, Please contact Margaret Geiger at the Welfare Department, London Irish Centre, Camden Town on 020 7916 2222

Next Sunday 29th April, there will be a second collection at all Masses to support the work of the Medical Missionary Sisters. Thank you for your continued generosity

Catholic History Walk on St George's Day in the City Monday 23rd April, 6pm - A special walk around our nation's capital, discovering the fascinating ancient story of the city of London. Meet at the Church of the Most Precious Blood, Borough. SE1 1TA. Nearest Tube: Borough or London Bridge.

## 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 21<sup>st</sup> April

Saoirse in lounge from 9:30pm

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> 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

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> April

Ballroom of Romance with  
Eugene Doonan from 8:30pm

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> May

Benefit Night in aid of Milford Hospice

Care Centre, Limerick

From 8pm 'til late

Music by Pat & Mustang

Tickets: £5 includes light buffet

On sale now in the Club

# Sacred Heart Church

Newsletter for 22nd April 2018

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## Earth Day 2018

BE THE CHANGE:

Today 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](mailto:j.mcfadden@oblates.co.uk).

**Today is the world day of prayer for Vocations.**

The tallest oak in the forest, was once just a little nut that held its ground!

### 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 Connaught 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

**Maria Gonzalez** late of Cotleigh Road. Funeral Mass Wednesday 2nd May at 12.15pm, following onto Mill Hill Cemetery at 2pm.

**Michael Nicholas** late of Glengall Road. Funeral details to be announced.

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 9am and 12 noon and meet with Sr. Lucilla.

We welcome into the Church through the sacrament of Baptism.

**Olivia Jade Gavan and Stefan Jack Van Den Eynde**

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



Today we welcome the teenagers from the **Confirmation Group** to their class at 11.15am followed by Mass at 12.30pm. Please remember them in your prayers.



The celebrations for First Holy Communion will be on Saturday May 12th. Please continue to pray for the Children, Parents and Catechists.

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.

Couples intending to celebrate their marriage here or any other Catholic Church throughout the world must give 6 months notice prior to the date of wedding. Please contact the Parish Office and an appointment can be arranged with one of our Priests to complete all the relevant paperwork.

Light tomorrow with  
today!

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. This week there will be a Tai Chi session.

Every Thursday morning from 9.30am—10.30am we have a support group for parents who have children suffering from Mental Illness. Please feel free to come along to the Parish House and speak with other parents who are faced with similar challenges.

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.

### **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](mailto: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](http://www.omiquex.org) or contact the Parish Office at 0207 624 1701.

#### **Thank You!**

On behalf of the WEFA trustees and the people of the rural communities in Zimbabwe, a huge thank you to everyone who supported the WEFA weekend in any way. We raised £1707.50 through your very generous donations and sales of water bottles. Every penny of this will be used to finance drilling boreholes and providing education for villages in rural Zimbabwe; people who currently have to walk for hours every day to collect water. Please keep the WEFA team in your prayers as we hope to drill a successful borehole in Tobotobo next week.

In honour of St Joseph the worker, Mass will be celebrated for Migrants at St George's Cathedral Lambeth Road SE1 on Monday 7th May at 11am. There will be a banner procession at 10.45am. All are warmly invited to celebrate the diversity of London, Kent, Middlesex, Hertfordshire and Essex.