



## Newsletter 25 Nov. 2018

**Thought for the Week** “We are challenged to see Christ in each other person, especially those who most irritate us and cause us negative feelings and reactions. That is why Jesus

always tells us to love our enemies. It is easy to love our friends. If Christ is our King, then we need to walk humbly in His ways and to trust in loving others that we ourselves will know God’s love in our lives. This solemnity is about our deep commitment to live as He wants us to live: loving all because we love Him.” Abbot Philip OSB

### FORTHCOMING PARISH EVENTS

**First Holy Communion** - late registration is still possible until the end of November - come to the back room after 9.30 on Sunday Mornings to meet John Cassidy.

Please let us know if you would like to order a set of **envelopes for your weekly donation** to the Church. Please also let us know if you no longer use them, and also if you Gift Aid your donation but are no longer paying income tax.

This Sunday Nov. 25 we are selling some **olive wood items** made in the Holy Land – very suitable Christmas presents!

Every First Friday of the month we hold an All-Night Vigil in the Church, beginning with a Mass at 10pm and ending with another one at 5am. Next month the Vigil begins on Friday 7 Dec., and before the 10pm Mass we will be holding two hours of **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** for anyone who would like to come and pray especially for the healing of victims of sexual abuse and in reparation for the terrible sins against children and young people committed by priests and other Church personnel, and for the cover-ups of this

abuse by bishops and others. Why not join us from 8pm for as much time as you can manage?

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be administered next year on July 5<sup>th</sup>. We shall be beginning our course of preparation for this Sacrament on Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>. Young people who are in Year 9 or above are invited to register for this by speaking to Fr. Keith after one of the Sunday Masses before Jan. 21.

We serve **tea and coffee** after the 9.30am Mass: all are welcome to join us in the Back Room of the parish house, next to the Church.

Are you **new to the Parish**? Please let us know by filling in one of the Registration forms at the back of Church and handing it in.

If someone you know becomes **unable to get to Mass**, please let us know so we can arrange for them to receive Holy Communion at home. If they are **taken to hospital**, please ensure that nurses ask the Catholic chaplain to visit them: if this proves



difficult, contact us so we can arrange this. We now have a monthly newsletter for the sick and housebound of the parish.

We need some more volunteers to count the **Sunday collection**, preferably on a Monday morning. If you can spare an hour or even less every week or every two weeks, please let us know. If you would like to help but Monday morning doesn’t suit, please still contact us.

Farewell and many thanks to **Elke**, our Bookkeeper, who is leaving is this week to work full-time at Caritas.

## OTHER EVENTS

On Friday 7th December, the Vigil of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, please pray and fast for the end of **abortion and euthanasia** in this Country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed, and it really does save lives.

[www.GoodCounselNetwork.com](http://www.GoodCounselNetwork.com)

Stuck for a Christmas present? **CAFOD World Gifts** offers a great alternative for friends or family who don't need anything, but might appreciate a gift which helps poor communities to access services like basic healthcare, clean water, and education. Please take home a CAFOD World Gift Catalogue from the back of Church after Mass.

"All are born with their own originality but many end up as photocopies" - Calling **London Catholic Teenagers** who want to deepen their Faith! Saint John Paul's message to young people "don't be afraid to be holy". Spiritual and physical fitness every Saturday afternoon based at Tyburn Convent. Exciting new mission, starts Saturday December 1st @ 2 pm - don't forget your walking shoes! Talk to John Cassidy for more info or see poster @ church entrance or [abcatholics@gmail.com](mailto:abcatholics@gmail.com) - Passing on the faith to the next generation!

Stand up for faith and freedom this  
#RedWednesday, 28th November, to defend



religious freedom and shine a light on persecuted Christians the world over. Be visible by wearing something red, light your parish or local landmark red. For information, prayer resources, lighting instructions and to add your event to ACN's

#RedWednesday map, visit

[www.acnuk.org/redwednesday](http://www.acnuk.org/redwednesday).

The SVP are distributing 11,500 Vinnie Packs containing **cold weather essentials** to the homeless and those spending the principal part of their day on the streets. Each pack contains thermal gloves, two pairs of socks, gloves, wet wipes, toothbrush, toothpaste, information sheet and pen. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £3.50 per pack. Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out to SVP. Thank you so much for your support.

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Our Mass times are Sunday 9.30am, 12.30pm and 6pm, with a Vigil Mass on Saturdays at 6pm. During the week Mass is at 10am every day, with Morning Prayer at 9.40am. At present we also have a 7.30am Mass Mon-Fri. We say the Divine Mercy together every Friday before Benediction and Mass at approx. 9.40am

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

25 Nov. Sale of Olive Wood items

28 Nov. Red Wednesday (Aid to the Church in Need)

1 Dec. London Catholic Teenagers at Tyburn Convent

7 Dec. 8-10pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

8 Dec. Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception