

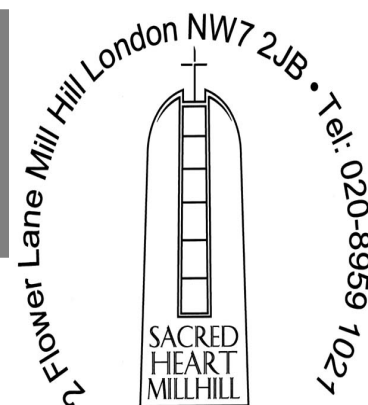
Sunday Masses:
Sacred Heart Church:
 Saturday: 6.00 pm *Vigil Mass*
 Sunday : 8.30 am
 10.00 am
 11.30 am
 6.00 pm

Weekday Masses
 10.00 am Mon – Sat
 & 7.30 pm on Monday only
 and on the First Friday
Morning Prayer of the Church
 9.30 am Mon - Fri
Rosary 9.40 am Mon - Sat
Holy Day Masses
 10 am, 12.15 & 7.30 pm

Parish Newsletter

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B
7th October 2018

Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Sat: 10.30 - 11.30 am and 5pm- 5.45pm
Adoration and Novena of the
Miraculous Medal and Sacred Heart
Monday after 7.30pm Mass — 8.15 - 9pm
Wednesday & Thursday: 10.30—12.00 noon
Saturday: 10.30 - 11.30 am
 and every **3rd Sunday** after 6pm Mass



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Lonely

The Commission on Loneliness will look for practical solutions to **reduce the effects of loneliness** on families and individuals:

"This is a positive step towards reaching out to those who put themselves in the fifth of the British population, who are 'always or often lonely.'

"We welcome the Commission's aim to promote **community cohesion** and raise awareness of the impact of loneliness on people, from all walks of life, by encouraging people to do simple things like **visit** an old friend or strike up a **conversation** with their neighbour."

"We can all play a role; noticing and including in our parish lives, those who might feel isolated in our churches."

See:

Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) is the social action arm of the Catholic Church in England and Wales. CSAN is a network of 42 charities that work across the field of social action, including families and children, prisoners, elderly people and homeless people.

More information can be found at: www.csan.org.uk

Liturgical Calendar

Sun 7th Oct 27th Sunday Ord Time

8.30 Sister Amy (Rec Dec)
 10.00 Peter Ferrossat (Rec Dec)
 11.30 Jack and his Parents (Anniv)
 6pm For the People of the Parish

Mon 8 Oct feria

10.00 Kathleen Clarke (RIP)
 7.30 pm Pete Chapman (Rec Dec)

Tue 9 Oct feria

10.00 Gertrude Snell (Anniv)

Weds 10 Oct feria

10.00 John Ogunniya (Birthday Int)

Thurs 11 Oct feria

10.00 Private Daniel Sullivan,
 Connaught Rangers.
 (centenary of death in action)

Fri 12 Oct

10.00 Marcelino Guerrero (Anniv)

Sat 13 Oct St Edward The Confessor

10.00 Private John Cross,
 Lancashire Fusiliers
 (Centenary of death in action)
 6pm Norrie Beatty (RIP)



Statement from the Bishops of England and Wales, Rome,

Saturday 29 September 2018

As we end our visit, 'ad limina Apostolorum', we offer these reflections on our days together in Rome.

On Friday 28 September, we were immensely privileged to share conversation with Pope Francis for over two hours. It was a most remarkable and intimate experience.

We asked the Holy Father for a message which we could bring back to our dioceses, to our priests and people. His message was simple: we are to live the gift of our faith with joy. Joy was his great emphasis. He explained that this joy is rooted firmly in our relationship with Jesus. It is a joy of knowing that he is with us; of knowing the presence of the Holy Spirit at work in our lives, drawing and guiding us towards the will of God; a joy of knowing our Heavenly Father is waiting for us, longing to hold us in his embrace of loving mercy. This is the joy of the faith by which we are to live. He added that this joy is the source of lasting peace in our hearts and lives, no matter our circumstances.

As we spoke with Pope Francis we realised, more and more, that he simply radiates this joy and peace. He is indeed gifted with a unique grace of the Holy Spirit of God.

Even in this time of turmoil, the Holy Father is so clearly rooted in God and blessed by God. His peace is secure. His life is serene. We know, because he showed us his heart. It is the heart of a loving father.

In our turn, we affirmed our deep communion with him and promised him our love, support and prayers. We expressed confidently these sentiments on behalf of all the faithful Catholics of England and Wales.

We spoke with the Holy Father about the difficulties of fulfilling our role as bishops. In turn he reflected on the importance of prayer and preaching in our lives, and of paternal closeness to our priests and people, with care and with firm justice. He spoke of the encouragement he wishes to give to priests today, who can sometimes feel vulnerable in the face of difficult circumstances, in a critical environment. He spoke, movingly, of the wounds inflicted by abuse and neglect, wounds that wreak such harm in the lives of its victims and in the life of the Church.

Wherever they are found, these are wounds in the Body of Christ and are painful to touch. He encouraged us, in our pastoral work, never to neglect even the tiny flames of faith that exist in so many communities and people.

We have been given a warm welcome in our visits to all the departments of the Roman Curia. We were asked to speak freely about our endeavours and problems. In the officials of the Holy See we have found a spirit of true cooperation.

Everywhere we have been encouraged and given helpful advice. We have seen clear evidence that the life of the Catholic communities of England and Wales is generally well respected and even admired here in Rome. Our reports of the Eucharistic Congress 'Adoremus' have been well received, as has the strength of our compassionate outreach to those in need. Indeed, the leaders of our Diocesan charitable works were present in Rome at this same time, at the instigation of the Catholic Social Action Network (CSAN) and we were able to spend time and pray together. In encouraging this work of outreach, Pope Francis urged us always to walk with those engaged in its projects so as to draw them nearer to the Lord who is the source of compassion and mercy. We know so well that it is from our prayer, especially before the Blessed Sacrament, that the mission of each of the baptised truly springs.

In a number of our visits we have been accompanied by two bishops of the Church of England, Bishop Martin Warner and Bishop Christopher Foster. On one occasion we were joined by Sister Frances Orchard CJ of the Conference of Religious in England and Wales. We also visited the Pontifical Commission for Communication, whose Prefect, Dr Paolo Ruffini, is a layman. These are all 'firsts,' examples of openness and change.

Our 'ad limina' visit is now completed. We have celebrated Mass together in the four great Roman basilicas, at the tomb of St Peter and the tomb of St Paul. We have been embraced by the Successor of Peter, Pope Francis. Our pilgrimage has been richly blessed and we are glad to share this sense of the deep encouragement and powerful grace we have received.

Pope Francis commended us to our Blessed Lady, Mary our Mother, reflecting beautifully on her role as the 'untier of knots', a deep devotion in his own life.

May she always be at our side.

We pray that God bless and strengthen our Holy Father, Pope Francis.

May God guide us in all our ways that we may share the joy of our faith and the ways of peace.

Dates for your Diary	Signing of School Applications forms for Primary School	Our prayers are requested for the
Saturday 20th October 2018 7.30pm Charity Fundraiser Tickets £15 from Mary Dawson 07967 998 283	Please note the signing of school application forms for September 2019 for Primary School applications is at 7.30pm on Wednesday 28th November and Wednesday 5th December	Rita O'Brien Julie Lambert Betty Allen Maria Darico Iris Moore Raymond Traynor Allan Van Der Loo Eileen Wilson Alfred and Trixie Bartley Ulla Gemen Mary Raye
Parish Christmas Fayre Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th November 2018	Gift Aid Claim	Parish Afternoon Club
St Patrick's Dance next year on Saturday 16th March 2019.	The parish have received the amount of £18,017.42 for the tax year ending April 2018 This is the Gift Aid claimed from HMRC on all donations by parishioners that have signed the Gift Aid declaration. If you are a tax payer, and have not signed up for Gift Aid may we ask that you please do so. In order for the parish to make a claim to HMRC there has to be a donation given via envelope or standing order . For every £1 donated we can claim back 25p from HMRC. This is a tremendous help to the parish and it does not effect the money you donate. Thank you. We are most grateful. In the past two years the parish has under gone huge development changes by way of the hall, kitchen, Bethany Room, car park barrier, new sound and visual system and camera security for the church, hall and parking area. This has been at a cost to the parish of approximately £500,000.	Next meeting is on— Monday 15th October in the Parish Hall. Our speaker is Fr. Eamon Raftery CM giving an insight into 'My Life as a Priest' Raffle and Refreshments by donation All Welcome
Christmas Fayre—Book Stall		Miraculous Medal Novena
We ask you to please bring in books for the Christmas Fayre Book Stall. Books of good condition and that are appealing to our many readers. No magazines please. Please leave your books in the Narthex.		Miraculous Medal Novena every Monday night at 7.30pm October the month of the Rosary. Why not a family Rosary?
 Parish Homework Club	Knights of St Columba	Miraculous Medal Novena
A Homework Club has started and is held each Wednesday from 3.30pm-5.30pm FOR ANY CHILD IN THE PARISH who wants help with homework or a quiet place to study. Your child can come every week or just when he or she needs some extra support. Leaflets are in the Narthex with more information.	Quiz night organised by the Knights of St Columba in aid of parish development fund. Saturday 10th November 2018 At 7.30pm Fish and chips supper. Ticket £10.00	SHARE Foundation Community health Care Service Celine wishes to thank all those who were present at the Sri Lankan Dinner on the 22nd September and their support, donations and most of all for their prayers. With a few more donations to come the collection for the event is expected to exceed, £2,226.69 . Thank You.
Foreign Currency	St James Catholic High School	Foodbank this weekend
Foreign currency you want to donate please put it into the Red Box available in the Narthex labelled FOREIGN CURRENCY	St James' Catholic High School are looking to recruit Mealtime Supervisors, working two hours per day at lunchtimes, term time only. Please visit http://www.st-james.barnet.sch.uk/225/vacancies/careers/1116/lunchtime-supervisors or contact Sharon McGovern (020 8358 2800) for more information.	The Foodbank currently are asking for pasta sauce, tinned fruit, tinned meat, toiletries, shower gel, toothpaste, toothbrushes and toilet paper they do NOT need baked beans, cereals or pasta. Thank you .
Worship and Teaching	St Vincent's Catholic Primary School	SERVING THE PARISH IN THE SPIRIT OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL
An evening of worship and teaching A worship and teaching service titled "The Calling" conducted by the Community of the Risen Lord, a Catholic Charismatic group from Sri Lanka, led by the world-renowned lay preacher, Mr. Lalith Perera will be held in the Church , on Wednesday 24th October, from 7.00pm to 10.00pm. All are welcome.	Parent Tour With Headteacher at Tuesday, 9th October, 2018 The tour is for parents applying for September 2019 Reception Class admission. Please ring school office to book a place on one of these tours (020 8959 3417). The tour should last approximately 30 minutes.	<i>Fr Michael McCullagh C.M.</i>
200 Club		<i>Fr Noel Travers CM</i>
The winner of this month's 200 Club is Melanie Gibbons		<i>Fr Eamon Raftery CM</i>
Sunday Collection for 30th September 2018 totalled £1,933.39 <i>Thank you for your offering</i> <i>The retiring collection today is Harvest Fast Day for CAFOD</i>		<i>Fr Ray Armstrong C.M</i> (Chaplain to Provincial House Daughters of Charity of SVP) Parish Administrator Melanie Gibbons Parish Safeguarding Representative contact at 0208 959 1021
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