

**3RD SUNDAY OF LENT**

7TH –13TH MARCH , 2021

NEWSLETTER

# SACRED HEART

Year B | Ferial Cycle 1 | Psalter Week 3

## CLEANING THE TEMPLES OF OUR HEARTS

The heart of Jesus had only one desire - to love, honour and glorify His Heavenly Father. This was His passion, His zeal. Everything He did was for His Father, for His Glory. The temple, the Holy Place for all Jews, was where the Father should be glorified.

It was a Sacred Place, made Holy by the presence of God. Nothing should pollute its sacredness. All should be done for the glory of God. Jesus made a whip and drove them all out because their hearts were not giving glory to God. Jesus cleanses the temple.

In cleansing the temple, Jesus shows great reverence for the House of God and leaves us an example of how we should respect our own places of worship and look upon them as Sanctuaries of genuine prayer. The temple was not better than a noisy market - place of buyers and sellers. The traders were guilty of using God's dwelling for their own selfish purposes of making money. All their commotion showed little regard for the spirit of true worship.

Perhaps, we too today can ask ourselves: how do I regard and behave in the house of God? What is my attitude towards it and in it? Do we even realise that we too are temples of God? "Did you not realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple. (1 Cor. 3:16 - 17) And again: "Do you not realise that your body is temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you and whom you received from God? You are not your own property, then; you have been bought at a price. So, use your body for the glory of God." (1 Cor 6: 19-20) Read also vss 12-18.

Jesus taught us to stand up for what we believe in - courage for our convictions. Can we imitate His courage and boldness in the temples of our own lives? Our hearts need cleansing. We should be given over to the love of God, to the worship and service of the Holy One. We should recognise the sacredness and holiness of the things of God and not pollute them by holding them in contempt or indifference or by using them for our own gratification or self-glory. For example, our service in the Church in whatever capacity, should be pure and done only for the glory of God, not to give us status and position nor so that others might admire us for our goodness. The Jews believed that God lived in the temple of Jerusalem, hence they always went there to offer sacrifices. They believed that God always enjoys the scent of incense and likes the blood of victims.

Jesus now says that this type of belief is over. God will soon build a new temple where one acceptable sacrifice will be offered. The new temple is not our churches or chapels made of stone or mud-bricks. God does not need this type of dwelling, as He never needed the beautifully built temple of Jerusalem. "Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up". In the light of His resurrection, we can understand the sign that He gave the Jews. Jesus rose from the dead in His glorified body. He is the new temple. In fact, the old temple was destroyed in AD 70. God's presence is now manifested in the Christ-temple. By raising His Son from the dead, the Father has laid the foundation and cornerstone of this new holy place. Together they (we) make up the body of Christ, the new temple where God now lives.

With Christ and in Christ we are the temple of God. All who are in Christ - in the Christ-temple - are made holy by the power of Christ's Spirit. By the same Spirit we become living stones in the new temple (1 Peter 2:5) and temples of Christ's Spirit (2 Cor. 6:16). "Anyone who love me will keep my word and my Father will love him and we shall come to him and make a home in him" John 14:23 May that Spirit remain and abide with us now and forever. Amen.

## READINGS

### FIRST READING

**EXODUS 20:1-17**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**PSALM 18(19):8-11**

### SECOND READING

**1 CORINTHIANS 1:22-25**

### GOSPEL

**JOHN 11:25, 26**

## LEARN

"For a Christian, believing in God cannot be separated from believing in the One he sent, his "beloved Son", in whom the Father is "well pleased"; God tells us to listen to him. The Lord himself said to his disciples: "Believe in God, believe also in me""

MARK 9:7 / CCC 151



# SACRED HEART OF JESUS – CAMBERWELL

## Archdiocese of Southwark THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - Year B

**Clergy:** Fr Victor Darlington (Parish Priest)  
**Assistant Priest:** Fr. Alfred Ebalu.

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Mr Serge Cefai Tel: 020 7 274 6844

### SUNDAY MASSES

6:00pm (Sat) 8:30am  
10:00am 11:30am\* 6:00pm  
\* with Children's Liturgy  
3:00pm (KCH chapel)

### CONFESSION:

Sat: 10.30am - 10.45am  
5.00pm - 5.45pm

### Eucharistic Adoration:

Sunday 4:30 - 5:30pm  
Friday 7:30 - 8:30pm

### MORNING PRAYER

Monday - Friday 8:45am  
Saturday 9:45am

### ROSARY

After weekday Masses

### PRAYER GROUPS

#### Sacred Heart Association:

Friday: 6.00pm  
1st Friday 7:30pm

#### Our Lady & Divine Mercy:

Thursday 5:30 pm

#### Legion of Mary Seniors:

Thursday 7.00pm

#### Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Saturday 7pm

#### St. John Bosco Junior Altar Servers

Tuesdays 5.30pm

#### Adult Altar Servers

Sunday after 11.30am Mass

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

#### SUNDAY 7TH

6.00 PM

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARGARET WOOD. ESTELLE KADJO - BIRTHDAY THANKSGIVING.

10.00AM

12.00 NOON

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF SR. SYLVIA LAWSON.

MARIE SWARAY, THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S PROTECTION,  
ANTHONIA PAUL - SPECIAL INTENTION.

6.00 PM

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

#### MONDAY 8TH

9.00 AM

7.00 PM

#### FERIA

MAYOWA CHAVEZ, 3RD BIRTHDAY IN THANKSGIVING

#### TUESDAY 9TH

9.00AM

#### FERIA

ALDWYN ANDE, RIP. JEAN, RIP

7.00PM

GABRIELLE RIP, CLEMENCE RIP,

#### WEDNESDAY 10TH

9.00AM

#### FERIA

JIM QUIGLEY, RIP 3 YEARS. PAT TRAVERS, BIRTHDAY  
DANILO DELA CRUZ & TERESITA DELA CRUZ, RIP. 2 YEARS DEATH  
ANNIVERSARY

7.00PM

#### THURSDAY 11TH FERIA

9.00AM

MELANIE RIP, DELPHINE RIP

7.00PM

#### FRIDAY 12TH

9.00AM

#### FERIA

CANON WILLIAM MURNAME, RIP

MIKE OGUNU, RIP

7.00PM

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#### SATURDAY 13TH FERIA

10.00AM

ROBERT ESANGBEDO, RIP, SABRINA MULLINS (RIP)- GOD'S MERCY  
& INTERNAL REPOSE

6.00PM

### MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Parish community of Sacred Heart, Camberwell celebrates the presence of Christ in our lives. Central and true to our name, we celebrate, we stand, and we dedicate our lives, witnessing to the unfailing love and friendship of God, through His beloved Son, in whose Heart of love we find daily strength for our journey. We are a catholic community, diverse and multicultural. Everyone has a voice and everyone is welcome.

We strive to make visible, God's love and care for the world in word, sacrament, and service to all. Nourished by the sacraments and in our diversity, we strive to create a supportive parish family that fosters communication. We use our talents as responsible stewards-accountable to God, to our neighbour, to our community and to the world at large.

Rev Fr Victor Darlington .

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

PSALM 24: 15-16

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

## FIRST READINGS

EXODUS 20:1-17

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 'You shall have no gods except me.

'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 18(19):8-11

**R. You, Lord, have the message of eternal life. .**

**1 The law of the Lord is perfect,  
it revives the soul.  
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
it gives wisdom to the simple .**

**2 The precepts of the Lord are right,  
they gladden the heart.  
The command of the Lord is clear,  
it gives light to the eyes. .**

**3 The fear of the Lord is holy,  
abiding for ever.  
The decrees of the Lord are truth  
and all of them just**

**4 They are more to be desired than gold,  
than the purest of gold  
and sweeter are they than honey,  
than honey from the comb**

## SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 1:22-25

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God.

For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

*The Word of the Lord*

**Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JOHN 11:25, 26

**Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!  
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;  
whoever believes in me will never die.  
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

## GOSPEL

JOHN 2:13-25

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money-changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.'

The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ**

## PARISH FINANCE: WEEKLY DONATIONS

Donations can be paid into the Parish Account:  
**Sacred Heart Church Camberwell**  
Sort Code: 60-50-01  
Account Number: 79102409

## GIFT AID & OFFERING

We have the Offering and Gift Aid boxes and offering bags at the entrance and exit doors for our offering. Thank you for your generosity.

## GIFT AID USERS

Please all gift aid users are kindly encouraged to pick up their envelopes at the exit door of the church with your names & numbers indicated on the envelopes.

## FROM THE FINANCE DESK

We can now register our gift aid envelope online by picking a form from the parish website. After the details are entered, kindly email to:

[camberwellfinance@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:camberwellfinance@rcaos.org.uk).

## RCIA

RCIA class will be held on Thursday 11th of March at 7.30 pm. All classes will be done via Zoom. The details will be provided before each class.

## MASS BOOKINGS

We have Mass spaces for this week.

Kindly call or text any of the priests to book a Mass on any of the free days.

## St. JOSEPH'S CAMBERWELL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS FEDERATION.

Reception places available for September 2021.  
please call : 02077039264 for more information.

## LENTEN SEASON

Stations of the Cross is every Friday after the 7.00pm Mass. Everyone is encouraged to be part of this spiritual activity, as it will help us make our Lenten season truly special and grace filled.

## INFANT BAPTISM

Infant Baptism is ongoing. Kindly see any of the priest after Mass to discuss when you want your child baptised.

## LIFE IN THE SPIRIT:

Commencing **Saturday 13th of March at 7PM every Saturday for 8 weeks**, the Divine Love Catholic Charismatic Renewal will be organising "The Life in the Spirit Seminar" aimed at helping Catholics develop personal relationship with the Holy Spirit.

The seminar sessions will be held on Zoom.  
Participants can join with the following log in:

Meeting ID: 536 494 589  
Password: 005757



## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

### SUNDAY 5 PM ADORATION

We are reminded that Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Sunday at 5 to 6pm followed by Mass.

### CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Candidates are to note that Confirmation classes will continue on zoom until Friday 20th of March. Candidates are required to attend in person classes in the Church hall on last week of the programme scheduled as follows:

Group 1—Wednesday 24th,  
Group 2—Thursday 25th and  
Group 3- Friday 26th of March

The Retreat and Confirmation dates will be advised Subsequently .

### GUIDELINES FOR HOLY WEEK 2021 AS PRESCRIBED BY THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND & WALES

This year, the Celebrations for Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum will be in the presence of Christ's faithful. This differs from the situation faced last year when acts of public worship were suspended because of the covid-19 pandemic.

The general guidance for the safety of those participating in acts of worship have to be strictly adhered to. These include:

- The wearing of face coverings in church by the faithful (unless the person has a valid exemption from this regulation)
- Social distancing of people within the church building
- Stewarding of the church premises to assist the faithful whilst in church.
- Frequent hand cleansing, either with sanitiser or washing
- Suitable one-way systems in the building to prevent excessive interaction between people from different households or bubbles

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- Good ventilation of the church building to refresh the air quality within
- Cleaning of the church building after each act of public worship

## **SPECIFIC GUIDANCE FOR THE CELEBRATIONS OF HOLY WEEK**

### **PALM SUNDAY**

The Masses will be on Saturday at pm, Sunday 10am, 12noon and 6pm. The Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem will be celebrated within the church buildings and not outside. The Procession will not take place and the Second Form: The Solemn Entrance will be used. The minister will bless the palm branches provided in front of the Sanctuary.

The shorter form of the Passion from the Gospel of St Mark will be read in a dignified yet expeditious manner with only one reader. The turba (crowd response) parts will not be exclaimed by the congregation. The palm branches blessed during the celebration of the liturgy will be distributed to the faithful as they leave the church after Mass.

### **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

In the Decree of March 2020, the exceptional faculty to celebrate this Mass without the faithful was granted to all priests on this day, and it is assumed via the Note of 2021 that this is still permitted. However, the celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper finds its fullest expression with a congregation. The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be at 7pm.

The Washing of the Feet will be omitted and there is to be no procession to the Altar of Repose. The Reserved Sacrament is to be kept in the Tabernacle of the church. Those who are not able to celebrate this Mass should pray Vespers from the Liturgy of the Hours.

The altar will not be stripped in the usual manner, and most certainly not if the Blessed Sacrament is reserved at that altar. Holy Communion will be given under one kind. The priests will spend some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle before exiting the sanctuary. For reasons of safety, Watching in lieu of the Altar of Repose is not possible this year.

### **GOOD FRIDAY**

The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord will take place in the church with a Congregation at 3pm. The proclamation of the Passion according to St John should be read in a dignified yet expeditious manner with only one reader and the priests. The turba (crowd response) parts will not be exclaimed by the congregation.

#### ***For the Adoration of the Holy Cross,***

the Cross will be veiled according to the second form for ease. For the Adoration, the Veneration of the Cross is limited to the celebrant alone. After this, he will "invite the people present in a few words to adore the Holy Cross and afterwards, holds the Cross elevated higher for a brief time, for the faithful to adore in silence." (Rubrics #19).

This may be expressed by the faithful through a short period of silent prayer, a gesture such as a genuflection or bow in their places, followed by another short period of silent prayer. Holy Communion will be given under one kind from the Reserved Sacrament.

### **THE EASTER VIGIL**

This will be celebrated in the Parish at 7pm and 10pm respectively. For the celebration of the Easter Vigil, the Paschal candle should be prepared, enthroned and lit in the Sanctuary before the people gather in the church, or simply lit at the beginning of the celebration. The minister will process in silence to the sanctuary where the Celebrant begins the celebration with the Sign of the Cross and the Greeting, Dear brothers and sisters, on this most sacred night... At the end of the Greeting, the Easter Proclamation (the Exsultet) immediately follows, using the Shorter Form. This is either said or sung by a single voice. The faithful will not have votive candles for the Easter Vigil.

The Liturgy of the Word follows. In order to expedite the liturgy in a dignified way, it is recommended that two Old Testament readings from both the Law and the Prophets with their respective psalms, in addition to the reading of Exodus 14 and its canticle (which may never be omitted) are used (Rubrics, #21). The homily, after the proclamation of the Gospel, is not to be omitted, but is to be brief (Rubrics, #36). The Renewal of Baptismal Promises will be made by those present, but the celebrant will not sprinkle the faithful, and the holy water stoups will not be refilled. The Liturgy of the Eucharist follows. Holy Communion will be given under one kind.

### **MASS OF EASTER DAY**

Mass for their people on Easter Sunday will be at 8am, 10am and 12noon. The Mass should be as prescribed in the Roman Missal but without the sprinkling of water as part of the Renewal of Baptismal Promises.

### **CONSULTATION AND FORM SIGNING**

Since the presbytery and the parish office is not Covid-19 risk assessed, unfortunately face to face consultation and form signing with Fr. Victor is not permitted at this time. However, for those who wish to sign any forms or other documents, they are encouraged to fill in their parts and then drop off the form through our letter box addressed to me. Such forms will be ready for pick up by next day between 10am and 4pm. For any other consultations please email [camberwell@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:camberwell@rcaos.org.uk) or call any of the priests directly or by text message, we shall respond to you promptly. Thank you for your cooperation.

## NOTICES OF THE WEEK

### NHS TEST AND TRACE APP

For those who have registered with this app you don't need to write down your names as you enter the Church. The parish now have the QR code which you can scan as you enter the church. This is located at the entrance of the Church. For those without the App, please continue to sign in on the sheets provided for each Mass, for the safety of us all. Thank you for your cooperation.

### PILGRIMAGE 2021

Our postponed pilgrimage to Rome, San Giovanni and Loreto of 2020 is now been advertised for October half term 2021.

After a long struggle with Covid we now hope October will be a safe time to have this pilgrimage in thanksgiving to God for His protection and in thanksgiving to our blessed Mother Mary for her maternal intercession throughout this difficult time.

**Full Package Price:** £899.00 including flights with British Airways from London Heathrow. Single Rooms: £150 / Travel Insurance £39. 3 nights accommodation at Hotel close to St. Peter's Basilica, 2 nights in San Giovanni, 1 night at Loreto - all on half board basis. 1 x 1/2 day tour with coach and local guide in Rome - 1 x 1/2 day walking tour in San Giovanni and Loreto with local guide. **Optional extras:** Vatican Museum Tour £38. St Peter's Basilica Tour £18. Full services of English-speaking courier for the duration of the tour.

Tickets to Papal Audience included.

PRICE BASED ON MIN 40 Paying Passengers.

We would like an indication of who might be interested in joining this Pilgrimage.

Do register your interest with either Fr Darlington or Gill at Tangent Tours.

**Tel: 01732 886666, 0173220886666**

**Address: 3 Station Court, Borough Green, Kent, TN15 8AF.**

### CORONA VIRUS PRAYER

Loving and healing God, we turn to you in prayer, confident that you are with us and with all people in every moment. We stand before you as people of hope, trusting in your care and protection.

May your faithful love support us and soothe the anxiety of our hearts. Generous God, fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old, that we may look after one another in these challenging days. Bring healing to those who are sick and all who work in our medical facilities. Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance, that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our plea—we who are put to the test—and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and Blessed Virgin Mary.

Amen.

### INTRODUCING THE CENSUS

The census is coming. By taking part, you can help to inform decisions on services that shape your community, such as housing, schooling, healthcare services and transport.

The census is used to allocate resources and funding on a local and national level for the next 10 years. So, taking part is very important to make sure your needs are reflected in future policy and allocation of funding to local authorities, services, charities and community groups. The information you share will affect the life of every single person in your local community and across England and Wales.

Your information is protected by law. That means government officials or anyone else dealing with payments or services you receive cannot see it. Any data collected is anonymised and kept safe for the next 100 years.

Census Day is Sunday 21 March. You can fill yours in online as soon as you get your access code in the post—we also have paper forms and a wide range of support and translation services and materials available if you need help completing the form.

or more information, please visit [www.census.gov.uk](http://www.census.gov.uk). **If you have any questions, worries or concerns about the census, please contact your local Community Adviser (Black African Community Southwark), Yinka Adekugbe directly:**

**adeyinka.adekugbe98@field.census.gov.uk**  
or **07452918927**



### HOUSEBOUND & SICK

Debritu Hadgu, Donaldson Opoku, Sue McCarthy, Peter Kellegher, Eileen Hartnett, Jessie Vincent, Adelaide Peters, Margaret Lynch, Birdie Heffernan, Angela Smith, Joan Bastin, Eileen Nimmo, Timothy Angol, Rita Greaway, Agnes Omeike, Ashley Isochukwu Igwebike, Anthony Okoh, Johanna Sims, Troy Benjamin, Lucy Tousaint, Basil Pereira, Kathleen Lennon, Minnie Davies, Marie August, Rueben Jameson, Alba Juliana Ramirez, Kenny Lawal, Kathleen Gray, Robert / Eileen O'Dempsey, Indria Singh, Ulina Pierre, Arielle Miambanzila, Cían Dinsmore, Joseph Murray, Sheelly Choudray, Nesar Ali, Ewen Aitchison, Rasheeda, Kelly Knightly, Eileen Moore, Agnes Smith, James Mc Donald, Fr. Chris Dooley, Velda, Mary Regan Marie Perla, Elsie Devereaux, Alba Juliana Ramirez, James Mc Donald, Doreen Barnett, Barbara Kendall, Esther Eugene, Dedan Finn, Caleem McDonagh, Imelda Kerr, Taylor Thompson, Zafar Jabal, Tina Kevitt, Nirajan Bhai, Nicola Hermentine, Anne Keane, Pascal O'Cloo, Liam Whitfield, Monica White, John Howard, Charlie Quigley, Joshua Tomas, Collen McDonagh