

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7TH — 13TH FEBRUARY, 2021

NEWSLETTER

SACRED HEART

Year B | Ferial Cycle 1 | Psalter Week 1

THE HEALING POWER OF JESUS

Today, Jesus continues His healing work; sicut erat - as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Jesus Christ, we have seen, is the Chief Healer, the model of all healings; and in fact, the one in whose name all genuine healings are done. "Jesus Christ is the same today as he was yesterday and as he will be forever." (Heb. 13:10) He is still with us, with the same power as He had in those days. Have nations ever been in trouble? Have families ever been in trouble? Have you as a person ever been in trouble?

Jesus engaged evil and drove it out throughout His ministry. He fought it and overcame it. On the cross, He delivered us from satan, sin and evil. Even in our time, when Jesus is no longer physically present, He goes on to heal us through His ministers using the Word and the Sacraments. That is why St. Paul in the second reading wrote of his compulsion to preach the Gospel and of his identification with all who suffer. He became all things to all men so as to win as many as he could to the Lord's side. This therefore, becomes a challenge on all of us to invite Christ into our problems through His ministers. How do we respond to their work? Are we convinced that through the words they speak and the sacraments they celebrate, we could be healed?

For us to experience the healing of Jesus, we all must be ready to undergo a radical revolution, serious change and conversion in the way we see, understand and live our life. We need a disposition, a firm and constant will to render everyone his or her due. As Saint Paul writes: "Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good, and acceptable and perfect" (Rom. 12:2). In other words, we have our minds renewed in order that we can think straight. Our minds need reshaping for us to make right moral judgements. Otherwise, our hearts may have been touched by the Lord, but our inner equipment for assessing right and wrong is still not in working order. Also as St. Paul said: "Put off your old nature which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness" (Eph. 4:22-24). We put on the new nature when we allow the Holy Spirit that is in us to reach out and to permeate the whole of our beings.

This requires teaching, enlightenment, education and instruction. In fact, we have to fill our minds with the truths of God, with God's revelation, in place of the message of the world. Hearing the Word of God is very essential. In the presence of the evils and sickness in the world, we need to spend time in prayer every day, and fill our minds with the truths of the Gospel. We cannot expect the old nature to die, if we expose ourselves to God's Word for fifteen minutes a week and watch television for six or more hours.

This victory of Jesus over evil is one in which we can share today. The healing gift of Jesus continues in the Church today. The Church towing the line of Christ, her divine Founder, has continued His ministry of healing in the context of the proclamation of the dawn of the kingdom. Healing is part and parcel of the mission Jesus bequeathed to the Church, and not incidental or accidental to it.

READINGS

FIRST READING

JOB 7:1-4,6-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 146(147):1-6

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 9:16-19,22-23

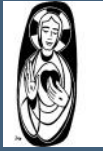
GOSPEL

MARK 1:29-39

LEARN

"Jesus often draws apart to pray in solitude, on a mountain, preferably at night. He includes all men in his prayer, for he has taken on humanity in his incarnation, and he offers them to the Father when he offers himself..."

MARK1:35 / CCC 1673



SACRED HEART OF JESUS – CAMBERWELL

Archdiocese of Southwark FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B

Clergy: Fr Victor Darlington (Parish Priest)
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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

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 7TH FEB

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6.00 PM

JANINA, 70TH BIRTHDAY IN THANKSGIVING. MAYA JAMESON RYAN 18TH BIRTHDAY IN THANKSGIVING

10.00 AM

DURU ANI & FAMILY IN THANKSGIVING. EMMANUEL PEM KAMLA BIRTHDAY THANKSGIVING.

12.00 NOON

JOSEPHINE NORONHA, 80TH BIRTHDAY IN THANKSGIVING. MRS. CYNTHIA ENO, 50TH BIRTHDAY IN THANKSGIVING. ESIRORIE'S FAMILY INTENTION. AURELIA EWEDAHUA, RIP & FOR COMFORT FOR AMEVENU FAMILY MOURNING HER PASSING. UCM PRAYING FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF EMMANUEL EZUKWO.

6.00 PM

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY 8TH FEB

FERIA

9.00 AM

ELIZABETH LE HANE, HENRY AKINWALE BIRTHDAY THANKSGIVING

7.00 PM

EVANS EWEKA RIP.

TUESDAY 9TH FEB

FERIA

9.00AM

HOLY SOULS. V. HOWARD INT. MR. PETER ANI, BIRTHDAY THANKSGIVING AND GOD'S PROTECTION. EVANS EWEKA RIP.

7.00PM

HOLY SOULS

WED. 10TH FEB

MEMORIAL ST. SCHOLASTICA

9.00AM

GEORGE ALLASON, RAHELA VRDOLJAK, SPEEDY RECOVERY

7.00PM

WINNIE PEPPEL, RIP

THURS 11TH FEB

FERIA

9.00AM

RAHELA VRDOLJAK SPEEDY RECOVERY. LEVI CHAVEZ, 1ST BIRTHDAY IN THANKSGIVING. INTERCESSION OF OUR LADY FOR A PARISHIONERS SPECIAL INTENTION. IN THANKSGIVING FOR AFRA & ALVARO COLLACO, 60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

7.00PM

FRIDAY 12TH FEB

FERIA

9.00AM

7.00PM

SAT 13TH FEB

MEMORIAL OF THE BVM

10.00 AM

JANELLA ASAGBA 4TH BIRTHDAY, AIRELA ASAGBA 4 YEARS IN MEMORIAM

6.00PM

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

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 94:6-7

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God .

FIRST READINGS

JOB 7:1-4,6-7

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery? Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief.

Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls. Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind.

Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 146(147):1-6

R. Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted. '

- 1 Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving;
to him our praise is due.**
- 2 The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel's exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
He fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name.**
- 3 Our Lord is great and almighty;
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust. '**

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 9:16-19,22-23

I do not boast of preaching the Gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the Gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the Gospel, to have a share in its blessings.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JOHN 8:12

***I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.
Alleluia!***

GOSPEL

MARK 1:-29-39

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

NOTICES OF THE WEEK

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.

RCIA

The classes for RCIA for 2021 will begin on Friday 29th of January, 2021 at 7.30pm. 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.**

SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to Sebastian Chukwuzorom and his family at the passing of their dear mother Nkeonyere Catherine Chukwuzorom recently. May her gentle soul rest in peace and May God grant the family the fortitude to bear the loss.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

We are reminded that Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is every Sunday from 5pm to 6pm, followed by Mass.

THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT

The holy season of lent will begin on Ash Wednesday 17th of February . We shall have 3 masses on that day 9am, 12 noon and 7pm. Lent is a special time for us Catholics to deepen our relationship with Jesus as we contemplate the mystery of his suffering, passion and death in preparation for Easter. Stations of the Cross is every Friday after the 7.00pm Mass only.

Every Sunday, we shall have Holy Hour from 5pm to 6pm, followed by Mass. Everyone is encouraged to be part of these spiritual activities that will help us make our Lenten season truly special and grace filled.

ASH WEDNESDAY & DISTRIBUTION OF ASH

Following the letter from the Congregation for Divine Worship regarding the Distribution of Ashes on Ash Wednesday, advice from Public Health England, through the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales, is that the recommended method of distributing ashes is to bless the ashes at the usual point in the Liturgy and leave them until the end of Mass.

After the Mass the Priest will distribute the ashes at the exit door of the church.

DONATION

A parishioner would like to donate the following items to any parishioner who may be in need of them:

- 1 baby girls bicycle pink colour (used)
- 1 baby boy push chair buggy blue colour ideal for new born baby (used).
- Baby car seat new (blue in mint condition).
- Girls clothes 6 years plus (In good condition) Also communion dress (used once)
- Baby bath tub (white colour)
- Baby Walker 2 small chairs blue colour 2 years.

Kindly let any of the priests know if interested.

NOTICES OF THE WEEK

PILGRIMAGE 2021

Our postponed pilgrimage to Rome, San Giovanni and Loretto 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 Tangney Tours.

Tel: 01732 886666, 017322088666

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

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 or call any of the priests directly or by text message, we shall respond to you promptly. Thank you for your cooperation.

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.

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.



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, Minnian 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