TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

26TH SEPTEMBER –2ND OCTOBER , 2021

NEWSLETTER

SACRED HEART

Year B• 26th Sunday• Ferial cycle1
Psalter Week 2

THE LORD GAVE HIS SPIRIT TO THEM ALL!

Today's readings sound a note of warning against the small-heartedness that seeks to limit God's love, or reject the action of God's Spirit in the world. They proclaim the indwelling of the Spirit in the lives of all.

Moses rejoices that two elders absent from the Tent for the official 'enrolment' could still receive the Spirit, and he reprimands those who oppose this. Like Jesus in today's Gospel, Moses upholds God's freedom to communicate freely where he wills. (First Reading)

In this collection of sayings about Christian discipleship (Gospel), Jesus challenges his followers to pay attention to their attitude and inner motivation. The true disciple will be the one who knows how to rejoice in good, whatever its source. Jesus also gives powerful warnings to 'anyone who is an obstacle ... to the little ones who have faith'.

The Psalm meditates on the qualities of God's law, which reflect the characteristics of God himself. This is a 'model prayer' that helps safeguard the one who prays from both conscious and unconscious sin.

The Second Reading emphasises that those who are attached to riches at the expense of the poor are utterly un-Godly. They will be held accountable for their selfish actions in the next life.

This week, I may bring to prayer our local and national leaders, that they may allow service and humility to inform their inner attitude and motivation. I ask too that I may grow in awareness of my own God-given potential to influence life around me, in little ways and maybe even greater ones, as God wills.

READINGS

FIRST READING

WISDOM 2: 12,17-20

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 53(54):3-6,8

SECOND READING

JAMES 3:16-4:3

GOSPEL

MARK 9:30-37

REFLECTION

"Lord grant me the virtue of tolerance this week and beyond?

"It's impossible,"
said pride.
"It's risky,"
said experience.
"It's pointless,"
said reason.
"Give it a try,"
whispered the heart.

- Unknown.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS — CAMBERWELL

Archdiocese of Southwark
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in ordinary time - Year B

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SUNDAY MASSES
6:00pm *(Sat)*
10:00am 12:00 Noon * 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 26TH SEPTEMBER	**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
6.00PM	.
10.00AM	EVLYN OYERONKE MARTIN TAYLOR - 6 MONTHS MEMORIAL. GRACE PESUMA - GOD'S GUIDANCE, PROTECTION & THE SOUL OF EMMANUEL. JOHN + MARTHA RAYNE F.M. FRANCES ANGOL– HEALING & SALVATION, TIMOTHY ANGOL - FOR HIS WELLBING.
12.NOON	SWEET BAZUAYE - GOD'S MERCIES, GRACE & FAVOUR. LUDOVIC N'DOUA - GRATEFUL FOR GOD'S HELP & GUIDANCE.
6.00 PM	EMMANUEL EZUKWO RIP.
MONDAY 27TH SEPT.	**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST, MEMORIAL.**
9.00 AM	
7.00PM	.
TUESDAY 28ST SEPT.	**FERIA.**
9.00AM	JONICIA LOPE RIP.
7.00PM	.
WEDNESDAY 29ND SEPT.	**SAINT MICHEAL, GABRIEL AND RAFHAEL, ARCHANGELS, FEAST.**
9. 00AM	PATRICK JODEPH CALLANAN F.M. DOLORES WELLBEING.
7.00PM	CHIEF FRANCESCA OKEKE RIP.
THURSDAY 30TH SEPT.	**SAINT JEROME , PRIEST AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, MEMORIAL.**
9.00AM	FAZILAT BARAKAT RIP.
7.00PM	MARY NELSON - B'DAY THANKS.
FRIDAY 1ST OCT.	**SAINT THERESA OF THE CHILD JESU, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, MEMORIAL.**
9.00AM	.
7.00PM	
SATURDAY 2ND OCT.	**THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS, MEMORIAL.**
10.00 AM	JAKOV & PERA VUKAS - INTENTIONS, STANILO VRDOLTAK - INTENTIONS.
6.00PM	SYLVIA & ASHLEY BASTIAN - IN THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSING ON CHILDREN & GRAND CHILDREN.

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 DANIEL 3: 31,29,30,43,42

All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done with true judgement,
for we have sinned against you
and not obeyed your commandments.
But give glory to your name
and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy. .

FIRST READINGS NUMBERS 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 18(19):8-10,12-14

R. The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

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. . ***R.***

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

So in them your servant finds instruction;
great reward is in their keeping.
But who can detect all his errors?
From hidden faults acquit me. . ***R.***

From presumption restrain your servant
and let it not rule me.
Then shall I be blameless,
clean from grave sin ***R.***

SECOND READING JAMES 3: 16-4:3

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts.

On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The Word of the Lord ***Thanks be to God***

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JOHN 17:17

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord:
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL MARK 9:38-43,45,47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.
'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.
'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'.'

The Gospel of the Lord - ***Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ***

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O merciful God,
that this our offering may find acceptance with you
and that through it the wellspring of all blessing
may be laid open before us.
Through Christ our Lord . .

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Psalm 118: 49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord,
restore us in mind and body,
that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ,
to whose suffering we are united
whenever we proclaim his Death.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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

PARISH FINANCE COLLECTION
First collection amounted to £373.79
Support of Evangelization Collection £109.66
Gift Aid amounted to £213.90 not including standing orders.

GIFT AID & OFFERING

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

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

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.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Gift aid envelopes for one off donations: we have now gift aid envelopes for anyone wishing to make a one off donation to the church. Please speak to any priest or pick up one from the sacristy.

SECOND COLLECTION

OUR SECOND COLLECTION FOR TODAY IS FOR THE NEEDS OF THE PARISH.

INFANT BAPTISM

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

MASS BOOKINGS

We have spaces available for the weekday Masses. Kindly call or text any of the priests to book a Mass.

Legion of Mary—Junior praesidium

The junior praesidium of the Legion of Mary is will be held every Sunday after 12noon mass, at our Lady's chapel.

SYMPATHY:

We commiserate with our dear parishioner Rebecca Ashley and her family at the passing of her son, Monford Ashley recently. Monford was a dedicated parishioner. May he rest in peace and rise in glory. His funeral plans will be announced later.

SUNDAY 5 PM ADORATION

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

FIRST CONFESSION AND HOLY COMMUNION.

Dear Parents, we shall begin our preparation for First Confession and first Holy Communion in January 2022. If you would like your child to join the group, please attend the compulsory meeting on 20th November after the 10am Mass. During this meeting your child will be enrolled, and the course and expectations explained. If your child is over 5 years old but not yet Baptised, they should also attend this meeting to register. All children should know how to make the sign of the cross, and say the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be prayers before starting the programme.

RCIA:

Do you ever ask yourself:
What I am looking for in life?
How can I be a better person?
How do I know the path that God has for me?

If you are asking these question or questions like these, then the Catholic life awaits you. For centuries, people have turned to the Church to find answers to the deepest and hardest questions of everyday life. If you are interested in finding out more about what Catholics believe and in how to become a catholic, then come along to RCIA on 13th October 2021 at 7pm at the Parish hall for our first meeting.

For more information, please contact one of the Priests or our seminarian Mark.

ANNUAL MASS COUNT

The second week mass count will take place this weekend.

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FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday Oct 1st is the first Friday of Oct

All are invited to pass by the church and spend some time with Jesus in the blessed sacrament

The blessed sacrament will be exposed after the 9am mass until shortly before the 7pm mass. "Come to me all you who labour and heavily burdened and I will give you rest"

REFURBLISHMENT OF PEWS:

Refurbishment of pews have now started as you can see for yourselves. I am very grateful to all those who have indicated their wish to sponsor or support the ongoing refurbishment. You are now encouraged to redeem your financial contribution as soon as possible. Anyone who still wish to support, can speak directly to Fr. Victor. May God bless your generosity.

The name tags of those who have sponsored a pew will be placed on the pews this week.

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 sacred heart school forms please show your baptism and first communion certificates to the priest or seminarian after mass and submit the form. You will then have to follow up to submit copies of same to the school along with the supplementary form.

For other school forms, please submit same way to the priests or seminarian and pick them up from the parish office during the week for submission to the school concerned yourselves.

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.

FUNERAL:

The body of Johanna Sims will be received into the church for an overnight stay with the lord and our blessed lady on Tuesday 5th October @7pm

Her funeral mass will take place on Wednesday 6th October at 11:45pm followed by burial Benchley gardens cemetery at 1:30. May her gentle soul continue to rest in peace Amen.

There will be no 7pm on Tuesday 5th Oct, instead parishioners for the 7pm mass are free to attend the 5pm thanksgiving evening for the year 7 pupils of sacred heart and their families

CAFOD Family Feast Day is Friday 1ST Oct. please as you leave church today, pick an envelop and bring it back next week Sunday when coming for mass. By giving to **CAFOD**, you will be helping the people who have done the least to cause the Climate crisis but are hit the hardest by its devastating effects. You can also give online by scanning the bar code on the flyer.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church "Tap to Donate"

Online

From this weekend, the parish will start using the two devices our contactless method of donation now located at the two entrance of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

Donation by Credit/debit card

We can use our credit/debit cards in the contactless/chip and pin terminals in church. Nowadays, we often don't carry cash with us when we go out, and many venues encourage cashless payments. With credit/debit cards, we can donate as we do online:

- the general parish funds (the same as the first collection at Mass)
- for a specific fundraising purpose in the parish
- Mass offerings
- Charitable/second collections (when they occur)

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FOUNDATION GOVERNOR

St Francis Xavier Catholic Sixth Form College, Balham, a successful provider of outstanding full-time education to 16 - 19 year olds from the whole community, is seeking a foundation governor. Do you have an interest in education with skills and experience that would be useful to our governing body, responsible for preserving and developing the educational character and mission of the College; its solvency and assets and the achievements and safeguarding of its students? This is a voluntary but demanding, interesting and professional role for a practising Roman Catholic who has the time to prepare for, attend and participate in at least six evening meetings each year (full Board and minimum one sub-committee). The governors are particularly, but not exclusively, seeking volunteers with current experience / expertise in Human Resources management or accountancy / audit.
If you are interested, or would like to know more, please contact Eleanor Lewis, Clerk to the Governors (020 8772 6062 – e.lewis@sfx.ac.uk). Website: sfx.ac.uk

NHS TEST AND TRACE APP

For those who have registered with this app yu 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.

Do you have skills to offer as a Governor or Trustee in the Catholic schools in Southwark?

The Education Commission for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark (rcaoseducation.org.uk) is looking to build up its list of people able to offer time, expertise and commitment to support primary, secondary schools and sixth form colleges in Southwark.
The Diocese needs local people from its parishes to volunteer as foundation governors in Catholic maintained schools and academies. It also needs people to become trustees/directors in their multi-academy trusts.
Could you spare a few hours a month?
These are fulfilling roles though not without challenges. Governors and trustees work together as a team to ensure a good standard of education is being achieved. Being a governor or a trustee is an opportunity to develop the skills you have, undertake service to the community and to improve the futures of children today.
You do not need to be a parent or work in the education sector. The Diocese welcomes interest from all sectors of society and across all ages. It is looking for people with finance and accounting, legal and HR, premises and health and safety experience. Induction, training and mentoring will be provided.
Some further information can be found here: DBS-Role-of-Foundation-Governor.pdf (rcaoseducation.org.uk)
If you would like to know more, please fill in the form below to register your interest. A member of the team will be in contact shortly to talk with you about the process. Suitable candidates will then receive a statement of support from their parish priest, provide 2 referees and undertake a DBS before allocation to a school.
Could you become a Governor? – Education Commission for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark (rcaoseducation.org.uk)

Those interested please speak to any of the priests or to see exact details in the parish newsletter in the parish Whatspp forum or on the parish website