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in the care of the Verona Fathers/Comboni Missionaries
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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 21st/22nd 2023

First Reading. Isaiah 8:23 – 9:3: People who once suffered invasion and war will one day be blessed with the joy of true light and liberty.

Responsorial Psalm. 26: "The Lord is my light and my help".

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13. 17: Paul appeals for unity among the followers of the Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23: Jesus begins his mission in Galilee with the light of his teaching and his healing power.

Intentions for the Masses celebrated this Weekend

Saturday	6:00 p.m.:	The Intentions of Anne Begley
Sunday	10:00 a.m.:	Nora and John Harnett and Family RIP
	11:30 a.m.:	Joseph Waldron RIP

Saints of the Week

Monday 23 rd January:	Blessed Benedetta Bianchi Porro
Tuesday 24 th January:	Saint Francis de Sales
Wednesday 25 th January:	The Conversion of Saint Paul
Thursday 26 th January:	Saint Timothy and Saint Titus
Friday 27 th January:	Saint Angela Merici
Saturday 28 th January:	Saint Thomas Aquinas

Death Announcements

We would like to express our sincere condolences and deepest sympathies to Jenny and Stewart Henry and Family on the sad death of **Mrs Nicole Gardam** who died on Friday 13th January 2023 at the age of 93. A Requiem Mass will take place at the Sacred Heart Church on Friday 17th February at 12:30 p.m. May she rest in eternal peace.

Similarly, we offer our sincerest condolences to Ann on the sad death of her husband, **Barry Anthony Newnham**, who passed away on Tuesday 20th December 2022 at the age of 84. Funeral arrangements will follow. May he too rest in peace and rise in glory.

Mass Offerings

A Mass is very special and sacred. Whatever the reason it may be offered, for a particular Intention, in thanksgiving or for the Eternal Repose of a Soul, it is always important to remember that these Intentions offered to God as prayers of intercession and/or thanksgiving, in and through Christ's Passion and Death made present to us in the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass. We, as a Community gathered in the name of the Lord, pray for the Intention, the Deceased, those who are ill, or those facing various difficulties or challenges. We also offer a prayer of thanksgiving to God for the experience of God's loving grace helping us through a particularly challenging event or circumstance of life. If you would like to offer a Mass, please fill out an envelope available at the back of the Church and hand it to one of the Fathers.

THE FUND-RAISING APPEAL FOR THE PRIMARY SCHOOL IN NEKEMTE
With £1,628.01p recently received, a total of £8,711.64p was raised to date!

As a Community of Faith traditionally very aware of the needs of the Missionary Church overseas, we thought it very apt to accept a request from Fr. Melaku Tafesse mcccj, a Comboni Missionary (Verona Father) from Ethiopia working out of our Community in Leeds, to support the completion of a **Montessori Kindergarten and Primary School** near **Nekemte** in **South-western Ethiopia**. This is an ambitious year-long project to educate children of school-going age in a very rural area and, in so doing, to improve their chances in life and help alleviate the poverty in which they and their families live. We are hoping to raise £125,000 which is about half the total amount that will be required to complete the School. Thank you all for the warm welcome you gave Fr. Melaku last weekend and for the evident enthusiasm with which the Appeal for the completion of the School in Nekemte was received. Grateful thanks indeed to all who have already donated and to those who have pledged to donate by the end of March next year. As this Appeal will run over the coming year, we would ask you to consider whether you are able to make a pledge to donate in the future. There are 'pledge sheets' ranging from **£25** to **£200** or more available from any Member of the Pastoral Team after Mass each day. Other ways to donate are by *Bank Transfer* or *Cheque* (made payable to 'The Verona Fathers') or by *Standing Order* or by *Cash*. Details of these methods of donating can be found on the reverse of the *Appeal Leaflet* that Fr. Melaku distributed last weekend. If you do not receive a leaflet, these are available from Fr. Julio or a Member of the Pastoral Team.

The Vision of the Church

Inspired by the great commission of Christ to the Apostles before He ascended into heaven, we want to "go out into the world and make disciples" (Matthew 28:19). The following are the values we hold at heart, and we want to promote: missionary outreach, a welcoming attitude, regular prayer life, team work, service and the joyful celebration of the Sacraments.

The Sacred Heart Church Website

We encourage you to visit the website for the Sacred Heart Church in Sunningdale which you can find at: <https://www.sacredheartsunningdale.com> It is very encouraging to receive your feedback so that we can continue to improve our service to you. If you know of anyone from the Sacred Heart Church who would like to receive our Newsletter and updates, please do not hesitate to send us their e-mail address so that they can be added to our mailing list, always though after asking their consent. For those who do not have access to a computer or to the internet, we can always send a copy of the Newsletter and the Sunday Missalette by post, and so we would be obliged if you could pass on your/their name and address, and if appropriate, after asking the person's consent.

Weekly Appointments

- **Taizé Prayer Meetings:** We are holding a prayer service every Friday following the spirituality of *Taizé* which is characterized by silent contemplation of the Word of God and inspired by *Taizé* Chants. The Prayer will take place after the 6:00 p.m. Mass and will last for one hour.
- The **Sacred Heart Church Newsletter** is sent via e-mail every **Saturday** morning.
- There is **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** on **Wednesdays** from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. with **Benediction** at 12:15 p.m.
- The ***Lectio Divina* Prayer Meeting** that takes place over ZOOM on **Thursday evenings** starting at **8:00 p.m.**
- **Study Group:** A new Study Group Season will start on **February 2nd 2023** to discuss the book by **Henry Nouwen**, "**The Wounded Healer**". Please, join this very topical discussion through Zoom: Meeting ID: 998 270 0200. Find this reference at: <https://www.sacredheartsunningdale.com/study-group>
- **Confessions:** Every Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and on call. *Just ring the bell at the main door to the House!*

Mission Intention for January 2023: For those involved in Education.

We pray that all educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

Services to our Faith Community

Church Cleaning Roster: January 28th **Noelle McNelis and Christopher Wood**

*January is traditionally the moment for recruiting and stepping-down from the 'Cleaning Ministry' in our Church. This year, four volunteers have left their service for various reasons. We want to express our sincerest thanks to **Charles Pinsent, Bruno Bayfield, Mary Kennedy and Priscilla Delisle** for their invaluable contribution over the years to our Church Community. We are aware that many of you are willing to serve our Church. We encourage you to step forward and join the ranks of the 'Holy Dusters'. This implies to spare for the Sacred Heart Church for just **four hours per year**. Please, call or e-mail Jenny Dias for details on what the 'Cleaning Ministry' involves. We only need your time as the Fathers provide all the cleaning materials and equipment. It is not difficult and it is very rewarding. If you are a family with young children, you will find this service especially amusing. Thank you in advance for your generous response. Volunteers can contact Mrs. Jenny Dias at: jenniferdias@btconnect.com or by mobile telephone on **07973 724404**.*

Readers:
January 28th 6:00 p.m.: **Jill McPhillips**
January 29th 10:00 a.m.: **Sue Douet**
January 29th 11:30 a.m.: **Harvey Martin**

Flower Rota: January 29th **Siobhan Burn**

New volunteers for the Flower Rota are needed for the coming year, and we would be grateful for anyone who can assist in this regard to contact Mrs Siobhan Burn on her mobile telephone: 07833 968869.

Collection

Thanks are in order for the **£901.48p** received in the Christmas Collection over last weekend's Masses, by hand or by post during the week. We warmly thank all those who continue to contribute to the upkeep of the Church through the Sunday Collection and/or a regular **Bankers/Standing Order**.

Prayer Requests for this Week

"The Lord is near to those who call on Him,
who call trustfully upon His name" (Psalm 145:18)

For **Anne Begley** undergoing medical treatment.

For the recovery of **Luke Smith** (*Thirty-two years of age*) undergoing chemotherapy.

For **Mrs. Joanne Obertell** and her children of the sudden death of her husband Andrew.

For the recovery of **Breeda**, Sonia Clarke's sister-in-law undergoing treatment for cancer.

For the health of **Mrs. Claire Shoebridge**.

For the **Alexander Family** on the loss of Frances Mary RIP.

For the **Fitzmaurice Family** on the loss of Teresa after a short illness.

For the **Hooey Family** on the loss of Mike, Anthony's elder brother, at Frimley Park Hospital.

For Philippa and all the **Anderson Family** after the loss of Philip, for courage in faith and hope.

For the **Gracey Family** after the loss of Lionel, for courage in faith and hope.

For the good health and well-being of **Mrs Edna Baldwin**.

For the health of **Ms. Isabella Schmidt**.

Prayers are requested for **Mrs. Elizabeth Somapala** and her Family.

For the good health of **Mrs. Julie Erdmann**.

For the recovery of **Mr. Tony Wilson**.

For the well-being **Mr. Bill Biles**, and of his wife, **Emma**.

For the well-being of **Julie Mallison**.

Your prayers are also requested

For the eternal rest of **Nicole Gardam** who died Friday 13th January 2023.

For the eternal rest of **Barry Anthony Newnham RIP** who passed away on Tuesday 20th December.

For the eternal rest of **Mrs. Cathy Wirths RIP**, an active Member of our Faith Community who passed away in Edinburgh last week to where she had moved six years ago.

For the eternal rest of the Comboni Missionary **Rev. Fr. John James Fraser RIP** in the early hours of December 20th 2023 in Glasgow.

For the eternal rest of **Mr. Pablo Gerongani RIP**, brother-in-law of Norma Tabaosares, who died last Thursday 29th December 2022.

For the eternal rest of **Mr. Andrew Duncan Blatchford RIP** who died unexpectedly on December 9th at the age of only 63.

For the eternal rest of **Mrs Frances Mary Alexander RIP** who passed away on Monday 28th November 2022.

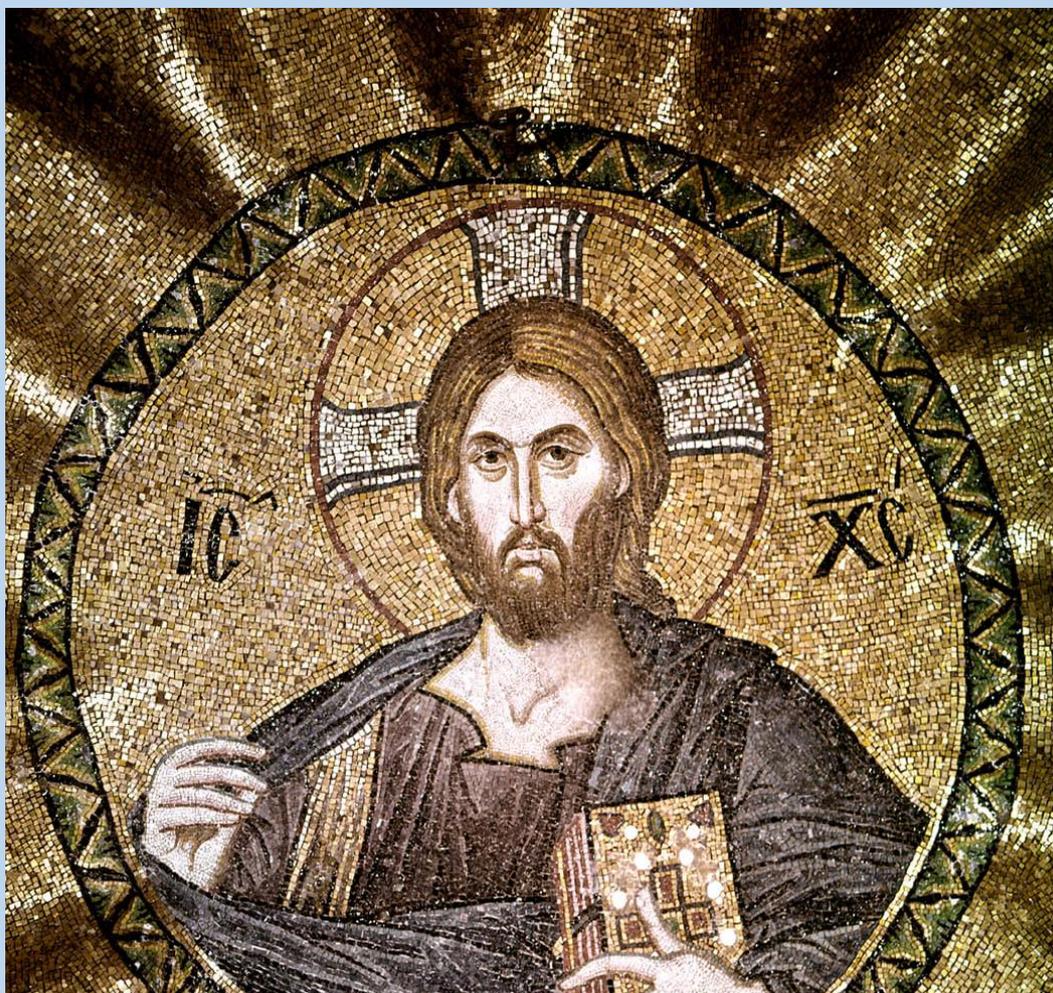
For the eternal rest of **Mrs Teresa Fitzmaurice RIP** who passed away on Friday 11th November 2022.

For the eternal rest of **Mr. Mike Hooey RIP** who passed away on Sunday 6th November 2022.

For the eternal rest of **Mr. Philip Anderson RIP** who passed away on Friday 28th October 2022.

For the eternal rest of **Mr. Lionel Gracey RIP** who passed away on Sunday 23rd October 2022.

For the eternal rest of **Mrs Gloria Barras RIP** who passed away on Tuesday 4th October 2022.



“Christ Pantocrator”

The Monastery of the Theotokos Pammakaristos
Constantinople

*We would like to encourage you not to hesitate to ring or send a message
if the Fathers are able to assist you in any way.*