THIS WEEK:

Mon — Sat: 10am Mass **Exposition and Confessions to** 11am unless other service to follow.

Monday and Friday: Evening Mass

at 6.30pm

Tuesday: Divine Mercy Mass

6.30pm

READINGS: Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10, 1 Cor. 12:12-30, Luke 1:1-4,4:14-21

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES DECEMBER TOTAL: £14,721.95

Online and SO: £4,802.33 Contactless: **£1,670.00** Week average: £3,680 CHRISTMAS: £7,332.76

Crib (Catholic Children Society):

£981.74

THANK YOU!

St Ignatius Primary School:

Following the recent OFSTED inspection just before Christmas the school received great praise from the diocesan director of education. Places in Reception Class available. Please take a leaflet.

Nigerian Association: the last Sunday of every month at noon.

NORMAL CHURCH TIMES

Saturday Evening 6.30^{pm} (Vigil);

Sunday Mass: 8, 9:30, 11

Polish (po polsku): 12.30^{pm}, 6:30^{pm}

Mass in Spanish: 4.30^{pm}

Monday—Saturday: 10am Mass **Evening Mass Monday and Friday at**

6.30^{pm}

Padre Pio/Divine Mercy Mass: 2nd and 4th Tuesday 6.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

in the church after 10am Mass each weekday, after the 6.30pm Mass on Friday, 6pm Saturdays, or by appointment at the Presbytery. Rosary: 11am each weekday.

PARISH STAFF & TEAM

Contact them on: 020 8800 2121

Parish Priest: Fr. Andrew Cameron-Mowat SJ. Assistant Priests: Fr. John McCabe SJ,

Fr. Piotr Kropisz SJ

Resident Jesuits: Fr. Harry Elias SJ, Fr. Pierce Gibson SJ (Studies), Fr. John Moffatt SJ (LJC), Fr. Jean Nyembo SJ (Congo), Fr. Michael Smith SJ (JRS).

Music: Ann Bennett Sunday Sacristan: tbc

Parish Secretary: Judy Bronson. Tel: 020 8800 2262 . T-Th 9am — 1pm Catechetics: Aga Wiecek 020 8800 2202

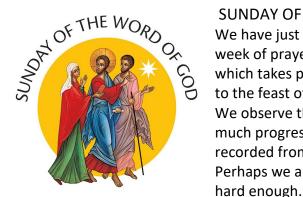
If you have any concerns about safety of a child or vulnerable adult in the parish, please contact our Safeguarding Representatives: Angela Anyanwu, 07979047550 or Bernadeta Dvmek stamfordhillsg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk



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SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD We have just completed our annual week of prayer for Christian Unity, which takes place every year leading up to the feast of the Conversion of St Paul. We observe this week sincerely, but not much progress can be observed or recorded from one year to the next.

Perhaps we are not praying (or working)

All the Christian churches revere the

Bible: it is one thing we have in common, with the exception of a few Old Testament books. This Sunday has been devoted by Pope Francis to 'the Word of God', and the readings today give two examples of people listening to the Word of God being read to them: by Ezra in a square in Jerusalem and by Jesus in the synagogue in Nazareth, where he is able to proclaim to them that the passage of Isaiah that he has read is being fulfilled 'today, even as you listen'; but his hearers were not ready to believe. There is a sense in which the scripture is always being fulfilled, although some parts of it we may find difficult to understand or apply to our own situation, as the cultural background is so different. But we are invited today to renew our appreciation of the Word of God, encouraged perhaps by St Luke, who tells us today about the trouble he took to ensure that what he wrote in his Gospel was right. Recent events in the USA and elsewhere remind us that it is vitally important to cherish and proclaim Christ's message of peace, freedom, charity and forgiveness, often in the face of extraordinary and

Responsorial Psalm: Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life. 9.30 & 11 Glory: Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus, bonae voluntatis.

mean-spirited condemnation. May God grant to our faith leaders the courage and steadfastness to continue to challenge people who are elected to serve us, the people.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION JANUARY: For the right to an education



Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.



CHURCH RENOVATIONS: Thanks to your ongoing donations towards the upkeep and repair of our beautiful church we have

been able to carry out emergency repairs on gutters on the south side of the church, as well as detailed cleaning of the Stations of the Cross, and the mosaics and altars of the St Joseph, Sacred Heart, and Our Lady chapels. With the careful removal of the considerable amount of grime and grease these features of the building are now good as new, and all for the glory of God.

Contactless machine: The charging cable for one of the machines was removed without permission. A replacement has been ordered.

JUNIOR CHOIR: Our Youth Choir recently provided wonderful music for the Ecumenical Service here at the church. They usually sing at the 9.30 Mass and are looking for new members. If you are aged 11-25 and enjoy singing, please come along. Choir practices are on Wednesdays 6.15pm - 7.15pm in the weekday chapel. If you need more information, text Ann on 07793751261

JUBILEE PRAYER—we pray as Pilgrims of Hope.

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son,



Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure

expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen