



**Theme May:** Month of our Lady and the Rosary

## Welcome to our parish

Thank you for visiting our parish. We hope the English Mass truly inspired you!

By way of this newsletter we want to inform you about activities in our Parish. Perhaps you would like to know more about the various committees, opportunities for meditation, prayers etc.?

## Join as a volunteer

We are blessed with a very active parish with many volunteers. Also, the English speaking Church Community is expanding, and we would like to draw your attention to some vacancies. You can help us with the Mass readings, join our choir, help us on charity projects (Caritas) or as a Pass-keeper. If you are interested, please contact Siobhan Regtering-Kerr at our Parish (siobhankerr@yahoo.co.uk).



## Biblical Garden

Have you ever visited our Biblical Garden at the back of the Church? A great place for a walk and

a moment of peace and tranquility. A garden with over 50 statues from the Bible and many trees, flowers as well. More details via our website: [www.bijbelsetuinhoofddorp.nl/](http://www.bijbelsetuinhoofddorp.nl/)

## Registration at our Parish

If you want to be connected with our Parish, receive the monthly Parish Magazine INFO (in Dutch) or receive newsletters by email. Please register your family with our Parish Office. On our website you will find a form to use or contact the Parish Office for help. The digital copy of our Parish Magazine INFO can be found on our website as well.

## Intentions for the English Mass

[www.hjoannesdedoper.nl/misintenties/](http://www.hjoannesdedoper.nl/misintenties/)

## Online Collection

[www.hjoannesdedoper.nl/collecte/](http://www.hjoannesdedoper.nl/collecte/)

## Weekly Mass Schedule

### Saturdays

7:00 pm (Dutch)

### Sundays

10:00 am (Dutch)

12:00 am (English)

### Tuesdays and Thursdays

18:45 Praying of the Rosary (Dutch)

19:15 (Dutch)

### Eucaristía en Español

Every first Sunday of the month 6:00 pm

### Eucharistic Adoration

Every first Friday of the month 11:00 am



## Weekly collection for the local Food Bank

In the back of our church we collect food for the local food bank in Hoofddorp. If you want to contribute, place these items in the baskets at the back of the church.



## Parish Office

Open Mondays to Fridays

09:00 – 12:00

Email: [secretariaat@hjoannesdedoper.nl](mailto:secretariaat@hjoannesdedoper.nl)

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## Divine Word Missionaries

Divine Word Missionaries (Societas Verbi Divini – SVD) is the world's largest Catholic missionary order. We serve in locations around the world spreading the Divine Word and offering hope to the most disadvantaged. We focus our missionary efforts in four primary areas: Education, Poverty, Peace and Justice, and the Global Church.



Mission Impact serves as a conduit between those in need in the most remote corners of the world and those whose hearts are moved to support a change.

Mission Impact is Divine Word Missionaries. Through Mission Impact we support and pray for our missionaries and those they serve. We spread the Good News of the Gospel and promote our missionary work around the world. We invite you to become part of the Divine Word in action—to make an impact with us!

In our parish there is a congregation of six missionaries of SVD. Two of them are dedicated to our parish, another two are here to study and prepare to be working at other congregations in The Netherlands.

*"LOVE OF NEIGHBOR FINDS ITS HIGHEST EXPRESSION IN SPREADING THE GOSPEL. FOR SUCH A CAUSE, NO SACRIFICE IS TOO GREAT."*

ST. ARNOLD JANSSEN – Founder Dive Word Missionaries  
Read more about the Divine Word Missionaries  
[www.svdmissions.org/europe](http://www.svdmissions.org/europe)

## International Choir of John the Baptist Church

A small group of enthusiastic singers gathered to sing during the weekly English Holy Mass on Sundays in our church. As Covid limited the level of singing in

churches, the choir is still a small group that hopefully will grow as soon as lock down measures have been lifted.

## The Memorare

*Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,  
that never was it known  
that anyone who fled to thy protection,  
implored thy help,  
or sought thy intercession,  
was left unaided.  
Inspired by this confidence  
I fly unto thee,  
O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.  
To thee do I come,  
before thee I stand,  
sinful and sorrowful.  
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,  
despise not my petitions,  
but in thy mercy hear and answer me.  
Amen.*

## Pope opens Marathon of Prayer with Rosary in Vatican Basilica

Pope Francis inaugurates the Marathon of Prayer for an end to the pandemic by leading the faithful in the Holy Rosary from St Peter's Basilica.

Pope Francis led the faithful in the recitation of the Holy Rosary on Saturday to inaugurate a "Marathon of Prayer" for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic.

In a press release announcing the initiative, the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization explains that "in response to the Holy Father's heartfelt wish, the month of May will be dedicated to a 'marathon' of prayer, to ask for the end of the pandemic, which has afflicted the world for more than a year now, and to ask for the resumption of social and work activities".

