

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST CHRISTOPHER CRANFORD

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Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) 23rd/24rd April 2022

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year C, Volume 1 (Page 262): Acts 5:12-16; Psalm 117; Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19
John 20:19-31

Next week: Third Sunday of Easter (Page 265): Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Psalm 29; Apocalypse 5:11-14;
John 21:1-19



Dear Friends

Low Sunday

Today is “Low Sunday”, sometimes also called “Divine Mercy Sunday”. It marks the end of the Easter Octave, but not of Eastertide itself. This has another six weeks or so to run!

I would like to thank you very much for your kindness and continued generosity over the Triduum. It was wonderful to see so many of you at the various liturgies, all of which have their own individual character. After what has been an interesting Lent, with the war in Ukraine and the impact of the rising cost of living, it was very good to be able to come together to enter into the Triduum journey in a profound and prayerful way. This is a very prayerful parish and that bodes well as we move forward together through Eastertide and beyond.

Have a good week and let's pray for each other.

Father John

Contactless Payment Machines

Unfortunately, due to a clash of dates, the WiFi couldn't be installed in the Church last week. This will now take place early next month. Thank you for your continued patience and generosity in the meantime.

Please note: In the event of a Funeral Requiem or other matter arising, the Mass intention for that day will be moved to the nearest possible date after. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Apologies to those of you who had booked Masses between 18 April and 28 April – the Church will be closed during the weekday during this time and no Masses will take place. Masses have been rearranged as best as we can, as follows:

Kenzia Viona Rebeiro Thanksgiving Wednesday 18 May 10am;
Tolly Barreto RIP Sunday 8 May 11am, Dorothy Mithra RIP
Sunday 22 May 11am; Thanksgiving Fernandes Family Saturday
28 May 5pm and Thanksgiving Ephram Almeida Wednesday 1
June 10am

Parish Team

Parish Priest:

Fr. John Tabor

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Parish Secretary:

Florie Fernandes

Parish Office Open:

Monday 2pm-5pm

Tuesday 9am-12noon and

Friday 9.00am-4.00pm

Parish Safeguarding Officer:

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Protecting your Privacy:

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which became effective in May 2018, the Parish requires your permission to hold your data for Parish/Diocesan use. You can read our full privacy policy on www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to offer a Mass intention, please call Florie or visit the office on a Tuesday or Friday 10.30am-11.00am.

ONLINE MASSES

Mass and other liturgies live streamed from Westminster Cathedral and other parishes are available at www.churchservices.tv

MASS TIMES

Sunday Masses: Saturday Evening 5.00pm (Vigil Mass), 9.00am and 11.00am

Wednesday to Friday: 10am Mass,

Saturday: 12.30pm

No Mass on Monday or Tuesday

Confession: Saturday 4.15pm-4.45pm and on request

Portuguese Mass: 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month – 1pm

Konkani Mass: 4th Sunday of the month - 5.00pm

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GOSPEL MOTIVATION

Motivation for John 20: 19-31

"'Like newborn infants you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation'. The entrance antiphons for the second Sunday of Easter, also known as Divine Mercy Sunday, opens the way to continued growth in the light of Easter. We have journeyed through the passion and sacrifice for us. We know that Christ is Risen. That this event was not one instance that then becomes insignificant. All history after the resurrection is lived in the light of the resurrection. We too live in the light of his resurrection through our baptisms. And yet, still we stumble, we sin, we doubt. How can we receive the fullness and joy of his glory? How can we live as children of the light? The answer is by coming to Christ. He wants us to understand 'in what font we have been washed', 'by whose blood we have been redeemed.' In the Gospel today, Jesus is once again amongst us, he is in our midst as he is in the presence of his disciples and he is holding out his hands and offering us peace. I invite you to be in his presence and receive his endless love and mercy, he welcomes you with outstretched arms."

THANK YOU

Our grateful thanks to the De Mendonca Family for organising the marquee and chairs over Easter.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The Planned Giving Envelopes for 2022-23 are available to collect from Florie this weekend. Envelopes have been renewed for those parishioners who have been actively giving in the last couple of years. **A simpler way** of giving is to set up a Standing Order and forms are available at the back of Church.

MONEY COUNTERS

If you would like to be part of the money counting team please put your name on the list in the sacristy. Training will be provided in accordance to new guidelines from the diocese.

NO MASS

There will be no weekday Mass from 25th April - 28th April. The 12.30pm Mass on Saturday 30th April has also been cancelled.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will only be open on **29th April only**. Normal hours will resume in May.

MASS FOR MIGRANTS

At Westminster Cathedral on **Monday 2nd May, 2pm Banner Procession, 2.3pm Mass**. Principal Celebrant: Bishop Michael Campbell OSA

PROCESSION TO OUR LADY OF WILLESDEN

Sunday 8th May at 3pm, please see poster on notice board.

BEGIN YOUR SCHOOL JOURNEY AT THE ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

We inspire our pupils to be independent and develop the necessary skills to create a lifelong love of learning through child-led experiences. Our dedicated and passionate team support and nurture each child, ensuring learning takes place through fun, engaging and memorable experiences.

We ensure our pupils are ready for the next stage of their education through our personalised transition programme into Reception.

To apply, visit our website

<http://www.rosary.hounslow.sch.uk> or e-mail admin@rosary.hounslow.sch.uk

The **closing date** for application forms to be returned to school is **6th May 2022**.

30-hour places are available. We welcome children of all faiths and cultural backgrounds.

ST PAUL'S COLLEGE, SUNBURY

Vacancies for Exam invigilators and Summer Internship. See adverts on notice board.

BISHOP'S SYNODAL PATHWAY REPORT

The Bishops' Synodal Pathway Report, sent to the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales on 8th April is available at the back of Church, and published on the Diocesan website - <https://rcdow.org.uk/synod/westminster-diocese-bishops-synodreport/>. The Report captures well the many voices we have heard across the Diocese during the Synodal Pathway and thanks to those who shared their joys, challenges, hopes and dreams with us.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

If you wish to donate online please do so directly to our bank, giving your name as a reference.

HSBC Bank: WRCDT Cranford
Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account: 01308637

Divine Mercy Prayer

Most merciful Jesus, whose very nature is compassion and love, do not look on my failings but upon my trust in you. Let me live my life being merciful to others as you are merciful to me. Let me always remember the graces flowing from your pierced heart on the cross and live my life bearing in mind your words. "As I have loved you so also should you love one another."

(John 13:34)

Lord Jesus have mercy on me in my distress and look with pity on my request. (3 times)
For the sake of your sorrowful Passion have mercy on me O Lord. (3 times)