

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST CHRISTOPHER CRANFORD

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Third Sunday of Easter

30th April/1st May 2022

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year C, Volume 1 (Page 265): Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Psalm 29; Apocalypse 5:11-14;
John 21:1-19

Next week: Fourth Sunday of Easter (Page 268): Acts 13:14, 43-52; Psalm 99; Apocalypse :9, 14-17;
John 10:27-30



Dear Friends

The month of May – Mary’s month

Although we are still very much in the Easter season, our calendars tell us that it is now May! As such it is one of two months of the year specifically dedicated to Our Lady. As the parish is in part dedicated to Our Lady, we can and should turn to her as our mother, our guide and our friend. The Litany of Loreto lists some wonderful titles that have been given to Our Lady down the years. One of my own favourites is that of “Our Lady Help of Christians”, which feast used to be celebrated on 24th May.

We all need help from time to time and it is right and fitting that we should turn with a childlike confidence to the One who in her own “yes” to the Angel, displayed such trust and confidence in God’s loving plan, not only for her, but through her for the whole world. May we approach Our Lady with a single minded and loving trust, confident that every request we make of her will be heard and taken to her Son and by Him to the Father, who desires nothing more than our ultimate good and happiness!

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 next week. 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.



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

This Parish is part of Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust (WRCDT) Registered Charity No: 233699

GOSPEL MOTIVATION

Motivation for John 21: 1- 19

"It is the Lord!"

As we slowly and prayerfully read the Gospel of this Sunday, let our attention be guided by Peter, a true disciple of the Lord. He is back to Galilee, back to fishing -which is what you do when you are back in Galilee- back to toiling all through the night without catching anything. Somehow, the resurrection -Easter, we would say- seems to have had no effect on his life. But the Risen Lord comes to his rescue. He gently approaches him, showing himself present in stages, gradually but surely chasing away the darkness and listlessness that seem to close over Peter and swallow him again. The Risen Christ rescues Peter like a powerful warrior. Nothing, not even the heaviness of Peter's guilt weighing on his heart, absolutely nothing, can resist the light shining from him. Let us too, in our Lectio Divina this week, open our lives to the light of our Risen Lord and see him doing the fighting for us.

Happy Easter! Christ is truly risen! Alleluia!"

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The Planned Giving Envelopes for 2022-23 are available to collect from Florie. 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.

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 WILLEDEN

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

REST IN PEACE

Angela (Kath) Fenwick RIP – We pray for the repose of Kath who passed away recently. Kath worked at the Heathrow Chaplaincy for many years and during Fr Paschal's time here she volunteered and helped him with admin duties. Her Requiem will take place here on **Thursday 12th May at 11am.** *Please note this is the Parish Mass that day.* We also keep in our prayers her family and friends and all who mourn her.

ST PAUL'S COLLEGE, SUNBURY

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

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Next Sunday 8th May, is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 58 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 17 of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also from our Diocese. Last year four men who studied at Allen Hall were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation envelopes are available in the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for your generosity.

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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.#]

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 - MARCH

5-6 Mar: Loose £645.42 Envelopes £194.00 Total: £839.42
12-13 Mar: Loose £474.18 Envelopes £283.70 Total: £757.88
19-20 Mar: Loose £598.96 Envelopes: £276.00 Total: £874.96
26-27 Mar: Loose £340.33 Envelopes £354.30 Total: £694.60

Standing Orders February: £1,211.00

Online Donations: £37.50

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

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