



Diocese of Westminster

## Our Lady, Queen of Apostles

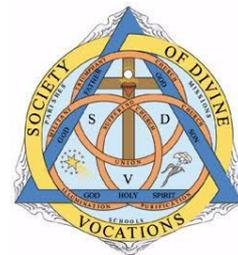
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**The Office is open to the public on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9 AM to 1 PM**

## 13<sup>th</sup> February 2022 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Ordinary Time

As you may have heard on the news about the government intention of lifting all Covid restrictions which means that we are looking into the possibility of returning to society as it was two years ago before the pandemic began. Like many others, we too are concerned about what impact this may have on people and that, while for some it is too soon there are others who cannot wait for this to happen; we are monitoring the situation and of course will act accordingly. As the pandemic begin easing off we are looking into bringing back the liturgy to what it was before the lockdown begun in March 2020 and we have not done since. From this weekend 12/13 February we are putting out again the Mass Books and the Hymns books will be available when there is singing in the Church (the choir will announce the hymn number), please once you use them make sure you return them to their place and do not take them away with you, this will also be a useful tool for parents to help their children to follow Mass. From the weekend 19/20 February we will reintroduce the Sign of Peace, not necessarily shaking hands but even a nod to the other people will do, and also we will put back out the holy water stoop. Depending on the lifting of restrictions, on the weekend 26/27 February we will cut on social distancing leaving only one area of the Church for people who are not keen in seating close to others especially elderly and vulnerable. We have consulted with the Diocesan H&S Officer, and have decided that for the time being we will still be requesting people to wear masks when in the Church unless exempt on health ground or because of age. Surely some people may question this decision and perhaps will be even asking the stewards at the door "Why are we doing this?", the answer is easy and quite simple, we have a duty to care and look after each other, after those who are more vulnerable and more at risk; also, we cannot be selfish and simply disregard how others feel, if others feel uncomfortable it is our duty and responsibility to make sure that they feel better and that we do not cause them to not enjoy their time in the Church and as a result of it to be alienated from the rest of us. Finally, from the 5/6 March we are going back to two readers per Mass and to reintroduce the bidding prayers, so it is important for readers to attend the meeting on the 24 February.

We are still calling on your cooperation and your help and support as we move out of the pandemic, we are grateful to all those who have helped us and offered their time as stewards, we will keep the stewards even if restrictions are lifted so we can then use their ministry as those who are officially welcoming parishioners to Church on weekends. May God bless you all!

Fr Luigi and Fr Ritche

**\*\*\* PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU TAKE THE NEWSLETTER WITH YOU\*\*\***

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU FOLLOW THE NHS GUIDELINES**

**IN PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS.**

**IF YOU SHOW ANY OF THE SYMPTOMS PLEASE DO NOT COME TO CHURCH**

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## NOTICES

**COLLECTION:** Last Sunday's Collection was £788.89 (Loose Plate £539.89 - Envelopes £249). *May God bless you and reward your generosity!* Next weekend there will be a Second Collection towards the Altar Servers Albs.

**SPUC:** Many thanks to all those who contributed towards last week's second collection which was £203.12, and many thanks for the post cards that you returned to us, these will be delivered to SPUC asap.

**MASS AND PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** In preparation to the Canonisation of Blessed Justin, our Prayer and Mass for Vocations will be on Tuesday 15 February. Adoration will begin at 6.30pm followed by Mass. After Mass there will be a moment of catechesis with the Video Series prepared by the USA Vocationist.

**VOCATIONIST CO-OPERATORS:** Our next meeting is on Tuesday 15 February at 7.30pm.

**READERS MEETING:** We are organising a Readers Meeting for all existing readers and all those who wish to become readers in our Parish on Thursday 24 February at 7.30pm. Please come along as this will be an opportunity for formation and also to train or re-train as a reader.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We are looking for volunteers to help our parish regularly. The roles needed are cleaners, repository and money counters. If you can help us, please contact the Parish Office.

**BURNING OF PALMS:** On Tuesday 1 March we will hold our Burning of Palms in preparation to Ash Wednesday which will be celebrated on Wednesday 2 March. If you have palms from previous Palm Sundays celebrations, please bring them to Church or to the Parish Office.

**PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY:** We are organising a Parish Pilgrimage to Italy to participate in the Canonization of Blessed Justin 13-17 May, visiting both Rome and Naples. We have asked a Travel Agent from Rome to help us organise the trip and assure us of both the flight and the ground services. The Pilgrimage is all-inclusive and the total cost will cover flight, accommodation in 4\*\*\*\* hotels in Rome and Pozzuoli (NA), meals, transport as well as an escort from the travel agent who will accompany us for the duration of the pilgrimage. The full programme is available from the back of the Church. We are still negotiating the cost as it depends on the number of confirmed pilgrims, as of today the number we have from the UK is 65 which means our cost is 850€ (£735 as per NatWest exchange rate on the 11/02). For anyone interested in participating in the Pilgrimage please give your name to Fr Luigi, Fr Ritche or the Parish Secretary, if you had already given your name please confirm whether you still wish to participate or not. Shortly we will begin collecting a £200 deposit to confirm your place on the pilgrimage and as soon as we know the final number of pilgrims we can then let you know the remaining payment.

**THE BIBLE IN A YEAR PODCAST,** Fr. Mike Schmitz walks you through the entire Bible in 365 episodes, providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. With this podcast, you'll finally understand how all the pieces of the Bible fit together to tell an amazing story that continues in your life today! Each episode is 20-25 minutes long and will allow you to read the ENTIRE Bible, feel more confident about your understanding of Scripture, experience the transformative power of God's Word in your daily life and start seeing the world through the lens of Scripture. For more information follow go to <https://bibleinayear.fireside.fm/>

**BAKE SALE FOR THE ALTAR SERVERS ALBS:** Next weekend our Altar Servers will be holding a bake sale to raise fund for the Albs which we are purchasing. After each Masses of the weekend a group of altar Servers will be at the door running the bake sale, please support this initiative. After the 9 am and the 11 am Mass, if the weather allows it, we will put tables and chairs outside the Church and also server Tea and Coffee for anyone who wishes to stay behind and have a chat.

**ALTAR SERVERS ALBS:** As we have announced for the past couple of weeks, we have a large group of new altar servers and they, as well as our current Altar Servers, need new Albs. The company we were intending on ordering our albs from has let us down, however, we have found a better service and better offer from Agnus Church Supplies. If you are interested in sponsoring an alb which costs us £72 please speak to Fr Luigi or Fr Ritche.

**VOLUNTEER FOR CAFOD-** A vital aspect of the church is people being willing to share their talents, experience and energy. Could your New Year's resolution be volunteering for CAFOD? We have lots of different ways you can get involved such as: **In the parish** - where you will be highlighting CAFOD's work to support communities globally who are living with injustices and in poverty. **In local schools** - where you'll deliver assemblies and workshops about CAFOD's work. No experience is necessary. Full support, resources and regular training provided. DBS Check & references part of the application. **Coordinating volunteers** to help us support, encourage and bring together a small group of volunteers. If you'd like to know more, please get in touch with Tony [tsheen@cafod.org.uk](mailto:tsheen@cafod.org.uk)

**DONATION ENVELOPES:** We are at that time of the year when we need to put an order for Gift-Aid and Planned Giving envelopes and we want to make sure that we order the right number of boxes and do not have the Parish pay for boxes which then will sit in the office waiting to be collected. If you give your donations by Standing Order then we will not be ordering you a donation box, if you still wish to have a box of envelopes please let the Parish Secretary know so we can make sure we have our details up to date.

February 2022	TIME	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm Vigil Mass*	Our Lady of Fatima
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Ordinary Time	9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass* 5:30 pm Mass	Thanksgiving to Infant Jesus Thanksgiving Thomas and Santana Souls of the Ridge Family
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> Ss Cyril and Methodius	9:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Mass	Mary Lobo RIP Maria Fiuza, 2 <sup>nd</sup> death anniversary
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Mass	Thanksgiving Vocationist Fathers
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Mass	Analyn and Helen Rozario RIP Constancio Botelho RIP
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> <i>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</i>	9:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Mass	Rylee Rodrigues, Thanksgiving Anaiah Fernandes, 5th Birthday
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am Mass 11:00 am 7:00 pm Mass	Helena Niedzwiedzka RIP Requiem Mass for Francis Moore Jenny Barrachina RIP
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm Vigil Mass*	Our Lady of Lourdes
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Ordinary Time	9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass* 5:30 pm Mass	Maria Di Paola RIP Lelis Fernandes and Virginia de Souza RIP Thanksgiving, James Wynne
Please note that we are still taking bookings for weekend Masses. On Saturday and Sunday, the Church opens 30 minutes before Mass while on weekdays the Church remains open all day for private prayers. (* Live Streamed on Facebook)		

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**TUESDAY 15 FEBRUARY:** Adoration and Mass for Vocations 6.30 pm  
**TUESDAY 15 FEBRUARY:** Vocationist Co-Operators meeting 7.30 pm  
**SUNDAY 20 FEBRUARY:** Second Collection for Altar Servers' Albs  
**SUNDAY 20 FEBRUARY:** Bake sale to raise funds for Altar Servers' Albs  
**SUNDAY 27 FEBRUARY:** FHC Class after the 11 am Mass, Confirmation Class at 3 pm  
**TUESDAY 1 MARCH:** Burning of Palms at 3.45 pm

### CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** Use the application online available through our website. Please give us two-month notice for your preferred date, the application will be added to a waiting list and the celebrations will follow the order in which these come in.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Please refer to the timetable you received at the parents meeting for lessons and upcoming activities.

**CONFIRMATION:** If you are a baptised Catholic 18+ and were never confirmed and wish to, please contact the Parish Office so you can be enrolled in the RCIA programme.

**RCIA:** If you have not been baptised or have been baptised in another Christian denomination and you are willing to become a Catholic or be received into the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office.

**CONFESSIONS:** Confession is available every morning before Mass or by appointment.

**MARRIAGE:** If you wish to get married in our Church we need between six and twelve-month notice for the date. If you need to do the paperwork this will be done six months before the wedding date. If your marriage is taking place abroad please enquire with the priest celebrating the marriage about documents needed and their validity, once we send the forms to the chancery we can no longer query them.

### CHURCH DONATIONS AND COLLECTION

During these times, due to the current restrictions we are not able to pass around the Collection Bag around the Church therefore those who wish to give their donation envelopes at weekends you can do so on the way out of the Church. You can donate by bank transfer (single donations) or via Standing Order using the following details:

**Account Name: WRCDT Heston                      Sort Code: 40-05-20                      Account Number: 11094912**

**Please add your Surname and First Name as a reference, to help our bookkeeper.**

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## USEFUL PRAYERS

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### **SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER OF ST ALPHONSUS**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.



### **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Divine Jesus, Son of the eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant many of the faithful true generosity in following your call and bestow on them the grace of your Holy Spirit to persevere in overcoming all obstacles to their vocations. Give the church in this Diocese and throughout the world many holy priests and fervent religious. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Justin, all the Angels and all Saints, we humbly ask you to hear our prayers and multiply the ministries by which we may serve one another in faith and love.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION OF BLESSED JUSTIN RUSSOLILLO**

O my God and my all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may your will be done, your love reign, your glory shine always more in me and in everyone as in yourself, O my God and my all.

### **POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN FOR PROTECTION**

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross, you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test — and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

### **INVOCATION OF OUR LADY**

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

### **PRAYER FOR THE HOUSEHOLD**

Hear us, Lord, and send your angel from heaven to visit and protect, to comfort and defend all who live in this house. Amen.

**Let us pray for the sick people of our Parish:** Janet Dee, Catherine Jennings, Peter Wade, Ann Duckmanton, Christopher Notter, Grace Gauci, Fr Simon Nguyen.

**Let us pray for** John Killeen, Francis Moore and Claire Flannery **who passed away recently and for those whose anniversaries occur around this time** Edward O'Reilly, Patrick Caskeran, Malachy Fallon and Ann Toomey.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them; may they rest in peace. Amen.*