Diocese of Westminster



Our Lady, Queen of Apostles

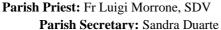
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23 APRIL 2023 - 3rd Sunday of Easter



On Easter Sunday, while I was at the back of the Church a young man from our Parish shared with me how the small sentence at the bottom of the Divine Mercy image, "Jesus I trust in you", all suddenly made sense to him, little I knew that in the coming days, it would be a sentence I would repeat over and over in my mind. For those of you who may not be aware,

recently we had part of our roof stolen and we only realised when, after Easter, we experienced heavy rains. The amount of water coming through was distressing and worrying and with a bank holiday and a rainy day, there was no hope that the roof would be fixed immediately. Even if for a moment, I may have felt as if it was too big of a burden to carry and my anxiety was almost taking over, I was quickly reminded that I was not alone and that actually we have a community around that rallied and worked together to help as much as possible. The number of people, who came to help on Tuesday evening, parishioners, school parents and staff, and clergy, was unbelievable and clearly showed what a beautiful Parish Community Heston is. I want to express my immense gratitude to all of you who whether in your presence or even

with a message, have supported us and loudly told us that we can always rely on you and you will never leave us alone. Thankfully, now the roof is watertight and we are working as hard as we can to find the best long-term solution to this situation as well as looking what the next can be in order to increase our security and deter criminals from coming back. On



behalf of the Parish and Fr Ritche, and from me too... THANK YOU for all your help and support! May God bless and reward everything you did!

Fr Luigi

*** NOTICES ***

SECOND COLLECTION: Next Sunday 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 48 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 14 of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome from our Diocese. Last year 8 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.

CONTACTLESS DONATION: We have finally received a new contactless machine for offertory donations; this can be found in the porch by the main entrance of the Church.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT: On Wednesday 17 May, there will be an open evening at St James, Spanish Place, for any men interested in learning about or discerning a vocation to priesthood. The regular evening Mass will be at 6.00pm, followed by a gathering downstairs in the Social Centre for a short presentation and informal conversations and refreshments. Do come and join us if you can. The nearest tube stations are Bond Street and Baker Street.

VOCATIONIST DAY OF SPIRITUALITY: We would like to invite all co-operators, parishioners, friends and all those interested in knowing more about the Vocationist Spirituality, to join us for an afternoon dedicated to this theme at St Mary's The Mount, Walsall on Wednesday 10 May starting at 2 pm. There will be talks and the official presentation of the cartoon on the life of St Justin in English. The day will end with the celebration of the First Solemn Mass of Fr Fabien. Come along and join us!

VOCATIONIST COOPERATORS BBQ: The Vocationist Cooperators of our parish have organised a BBQ to raise funds for Vocations on Sunday 7 May. On that Sunday the morning Mass will be at 10:30 am followed by the BBQ on the Church grounds, there will be burgers, hot dogs and cake sale as well as an opportunity to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles. Come along and join us!

CONFIRMATION RETREAT AT SPEC: On Sunday 14 May, our Confirmation candidates will go on a day retreat at SPEC. Every parent/carer should have received a Consent Form via email, if not please contact the Secretary. The form needs to be filled and returned to the Parish Office by the end of the month.

ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY on Saturday 13th May at 2.30pm with the Cardinal in Westminster Cathedral. The Cardinal is inviting to this celebration all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2023. Details of attendees (names, wedding date, full postal address and email address or telephone number) need to be given to the parish office as soon as possible.

*** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ***

CLEANERS: We need people who can help us with Church cleaning making sure our Church is cleaned on a regular basis, we need three more groups of cleaners so we can organise a rota. If you can help or are able to put a team together, please contact the Parish Office.

REPOSITORY: We are short on people to help us run it on weekends, if you would like to help in any way, please contact the Parish Office.

COUNTERS: We are looking for volunteers to help us forming counting teams, we need at least four people per team and this should not be people who are married, related or living at the same address. Counting takes place on either Sunday evenings or Monday mornings, if you can help us in any way, please contact the Parish Office.

READERS: We are looking for more parishioners to come forward and help us out for the ministry of Readers, we have barely enough to cover Masses at the moment and we need more, whether you have had prior experience or not you can volunteer and if you require training we will be happy to offer it.

*** USEFUL PRAYERS ***

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, Saint 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 SAINT 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.

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 ASKING FAVOURS THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF SAINT JUSTIN MARIA RUSSOLILLO

O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, for the wellbeing of the Church you endowed with extraordinary gifts Saint Justin Maria Russolillo, and you made him a pious and zealous Priest, an apostle of "Divine Vocations" and a fervent promoter of your Glory, Love and Will for the Universal Sanctification and for the "Divine Union" of all souls, grant us the grace of experiencing the power of his intercession while imitating his devotion, humility, patience, zeal and kindness. May the Grace (...) that you will grant us through his intercession, be of spiritual advantage to us, for your own glory and for the growth of Your Kingdom on earth. (Three "Glory Be" in honour of the Holy Trinity)

CHURCH DONATIONS AND COLLECTION

Have you considered giving your donation to the Parish via bank transfer (single donations) or via Standing Order? If you wish to do so, you can use 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.

If you wish to Gift-Aid your donation, forms are available at the back of the Church or on the website. Gift-aid is available to all UK taxpayer and comes at no extra cost to you.

APRIL 2023	TIME	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 22 nd	7 pm Vigil Mass	Erral Fernandes RIP
Sunday 23rd	8 am Mass	Suresh, Celin and Nandu Uraon RIP
3rd Sunday of	9:30 am Family Mass	Soul of Maryann Furtado RIP
Easter	11:30 am Mass	Constantino Dias, Joeboy Dias and Aula Dias RIP
	5:30 pm Mass	Alicia Fialho Gonsalves RIP, 1st Month
Monday 24th	9 am	Prayer of the Rosary
ST GEORGE	9:30 am Mass	All Souls of the Rebello Family
	7 pm Mass	Aborted Children of the Family Tree
Tuesday 25th	9 am	Prayer of the Rosary
St Mark	9:30 am Mass	Francisco and Helena Fernandes, Wedding Anniv.
	7 pm Mass	Gerard Cooney RIP
Wednesday 26th	9 am	Prayer of the Rosary
	9:30 am Mass	Constancio Antonio Fernandes RIP
	7 pm Mass	
Thursday 27 th	9 am	Prayer of the Rosary
	9:30 am Mass	Aborted Children of the Family Tree
	7 pm Mass	
Friday 28th	9 am	Prayer of the Rosary
St Louis Grignion	9:30 am Mass	David Quadros RIP
de Montfort	7 pm Mass	Fatima Barretto RIP
Saturday 29th	9:30 am Mass	Peter and Philomena D'Souza RIP
St Catherine of	10-10:45 am	Exposition and Adoration / Confessions
Siena	7 pm Vigil Mass	Pierre Diuof, Healing Mass
Sunday 30 th	8 am Mass	
4th Sunday of	9:30 am Family Mass	Gertrude Fernandes Sr RIP
Easter	11:30 am Mass	Conrado Fuentes Death Anniversary
Vocation Sunday	5:30 pm Mass	Emerciano Joanes RIP

Let us pray for the sick people of our Parish: Catherine Jennings, Peter Wade, Ann Duckmanton and Grace Gauci.

Let us pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time Bill Guilfoyle, Sarah Edwards, George Johnstone, Oscar St. Anne, Harry Wheeler, Joseph Kenneth Otway, Joaquina de Fatima Prates, Walter Harrison and Theresa Nagale.

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

DATES OF UPCOMING EVENTS

25 APRIL: Summer Fayre Helpers' Meeting at 7:30 pm (Downstairs Hall)

27 APRIL: Vocationist Cooperators' Meeting (Adoration 6:30 pm)

28 APRIL: Altar servers Training Group 1 at 3:45 pm

29 APRIL: Altar servers Training Group 2 at 11 am

30 APRIL: FHC Class after 9:30 am Mass

4 MAY: FHC Parents' Meeting

7 MAY: Confirmation Class at 10.30am

7 MAY: Vocationist Cooperators' BBQ

14 MAY: Confirmation Retreat at SPEC

*** SATURDAY 15 JULY SUMMER FAIR ***