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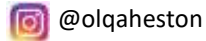
**Our Lady, Queen of Apostles**

Served by the Society of the Divine Vocations - Vocationists

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**Parish Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday & Thursday – 9.30 am – 1.00 pm

**21<sup>st</sup> January 2024 – *THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

**The Compelling Nature of Jesus' Call**



The Gospel for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B introduces us to the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. Following John's arrest, Jesus proclaims the good news of God's kingdom, calling people to repentance and belief in the Gospel. The immediacy with which Simon, Andrew, James, and John respond to Jesus' call is striking. They leave their nets, their father, and their livelihoods to follow Him. This scene captures the compelling nature of Jesus' invitation, an invitation extended to each of us today.

Jesus' call to become "fishers of men" is not just an invitation to discipleship but a radical reorientation of life's purpose. For the disciples, it meant abandoning their careers and family ties to embark on an uncertain journey. For us, it might mean different sacrifices or changes – perhaps a change in lifestyle, priorities, or attitudes. The call to follow Jesus is both personal and transformative, demanding a response that is as immediate and decisive as that of the first disciples.

This Gospel passage also speaks to us about the nature of Christian vocation. Each call is unique and tailored to the individual's life and circumstances. The immediacy of the disciples' response underscores the urgency and relevance of the Gospel in our lives. It invites us to discern how Jesus is calling us in our current situations and to respond with openness and trust.

The readings for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B collectively draw us into a deeper reflection on our spiritual journey. They challenge us to embrace a life of continual conversion, to maintain an eternal perspective amidst our daily lives, and to respond wholeheartedly to the personal call of discipleship that Jesus extends to each of us.

<https://young-catholics.com/3119/3rd-sunday-in-ordinary-time-year-b/>

**"The Penny Catechism" - 7. PENANCE**

**60. How are sins committed after Baptism forgiven?** Sins committed after Baptism are forgiven in the Sacrament of Penance.

**61. What must we do to receive the Sacrament of Penance?** To receive the Sacrament of Penance we must be sorry for our sins and confess them to a priest.

**62. What should make us sorry for our sins?** Our love for God and our fear of His punishment should make us sorry for our sins.

**63. Who gave priests the power to forgive sin?** Our Lord gave priests the power to forgive sin.

### **\*\*\* NOTICES \*\*\***

**POLITE NOTICE** – If your child becomes noisy and disruptive can you please take them to the room at the back of the church for the duration of the mass. Also, accompany the kneelers when you are using them and do not drop them so to avoid loud noise especially at Consecration time.

**LITTERING:** We have noticed that some people have a habit of leaving behind used tissues, please dispose of them on your way out or put them in your pocket and dispose of them when home. It is a matter of respect, hygiene and common sense, do not leave your rubbish for other to clean.

**SWITCH OFF YOUR PHONE:** When you enter the Church, it may be possible that you hear “the call of God”. However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your mobile. It may be a good exercise to switch it off or at least put it on silent before you enter the Church. If you want to talk to God, find a quiet place, pray and talk to Him.

**MISSION APPEAL:** This week we welcome the Columban Missionaries for their Mission appeal, there will be a second collection at all Masses.

**BLESSED PALMS:** If you have Blessed Palms from past Palm Sundays please bring them to the Parish Office so we can collect them for our Burning of Palms in preparation for Ash Wednesday. Please make sure that Blessed Palms are brought to us by Sunday 11 February.

**VOCATIONIST COOPERATORS:** Our most sincere thanks for your support and generosity towards our fundraising initiatives. We have raised £3500, which we have donated to the SDV Trustees for the support of the Vocationist seminarians in England and around the world. May God bless and reward you!

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE:** We want to invite all those interested in joining our social committee to join us for a meeting on Tuesday 30 January at 7:30 pm in the Parish Room. The meeting is open to everyone who wishes to find out more and for those who can help and support social and fundraising events in the Parish.

**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.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** We are now booking mass intentions for 2024 up until June.

**FIRE WARDENS:** As part of our H&S requirements, we need to have Fire Wardens to help in case of evacuation. We need some people to help at any of the Masses. If you are willing to help please contact the Parish Office. Training will be offered to those who will be helping.

**MASS ATTENDANCE CARD:** We have noticed that a number of families do not have an attendance card for their children. The attendance card is for children who are 2yo up to those in Year 5 and you will need for when you are going to apply for a Catholic School as it will help priests make sure you have attended Mass regularly and therefore they can sign the form. If you do not have one please contact the office.

**HOW TO BE A SYNODAL CHURCH:** Pope Francis calls for all the baptised to be involved in the Synodal Process - ARE YOU? Join people from a range of parishes and backgrounds for a day of reflection, conversation, and action, to prepare for the October 2024 Synodal Assembly, in Rome. The event will take place on Saturday 10 February 10.30 am to 4 pm, at The Aula Magna, London Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street, London W1K 3AH. RSVP - [FarmStreetOffice@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:FarmStreetOffice@rcdow.org.uk) 020 8986 0807

**CATHOLIC MEDICAL ETHICS GROUP:** The group is for current university students of the healthcare professions interested in learning about the Catholic Church’s response to difficult ethical questions. This semester, Dr Mehmet Çiftçi of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre, Oxford, alongside other guest academics and professionals, will be leading a seven-week virtual Bioethics lecture on Mondays between 7pm and 8pm on Teams with the first titled ‘An Introduction to Catholic Moral Thinking & Catholic Anthropology’ scheduled for 5th February. To sign up for the group, or for more information, students should email Laurence Jasper, Catholic Chaplain of King's College London (Guy’s campus) at [laurence.jasper@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:laurence.jasper@kcl.ac.uk) using their university email account.

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN (SPUC)** Wishes to recruit a full-time Administration Assistant (35 hours p.w.). The position will be based at SPUC's Kennington office (SE11). For a full job description and application form, please contact Lucille McQuade at [lucillemcquade@spuc.org.uk](mailto:lucillemcquade@spuc.org.uk) or on 020 7091 7091.

**CHORISTER OPPORTUNITIES AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL**

Would any boys with musical potential in Years 2, 3 or 4 consider becoming a chorister at Westminster Cathedral? Becoming a chorister at Westminster Cathedral is a wonderful, one-off opportunity to join a thriving choir and school. There are no financial barriers to entry: all boys receive a generous scholarship with bursaries worth up to 100% of fees available on a means-tested basis. For more information contact Lucy Auger at [lauger@choirschool.com](mailto:lauger@choirschool.com).

**THE ROSARY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL** is seeking new Foundation Governors to serve on our Governing Body. Like all school governors, Foundation Governors work to support the Leadership team and staff but also have a special responsibility to support the Christian ethos of the school. This is an important voluntary role, offering the opportunity to make a positive difference, working with the team to promote the school's success. If you would be interested in receiving more information about the role and an application form, please email Mrs Dulko at [admin@rosary.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:admin@rosary.hounslow.sch.uk)

**\*\*\*SACRAMENTS\*\*\***

**BAPTISMS:** Please use the form on the Parish Website to enquire about the Baptism for your child. We celebrate Baptisms on a Saturday only; we ask that you give us minimum 6 weeks' notice.

**CONFESSION:** Available every Saturday 10 to 10:45 am or on request. To book an appointment please contact the Parish Office.

**MARRIAGE:** If you are planning to marry, we can only start the paperwork needed by the diocese 6 months prior your wedding day. Whether you are marrying in the UK or abroad we need minimum 6 months' notice, especially if we need to arrange a marriage course. Please do not leave it to the last minute!

**\*\*\* 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 – THE MEMORARE**

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 ST JUSTIN 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*)

<b>JANUARY 2024</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>MASS INTENTION</b>
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	7 pm Vigil Mass	Liberata Gonsalves - RIP
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup></b> <b>+THIRD SUNDAY</b> <b>OF ORDINARY</b> <b>TIME</b>	8 am Mass 9:30 am Family Mass 11:30 am Mass 5:30 pm	Marie McMahon & Noel McGlen Odette Ndoulou Joseph Rosario Seán Feeny - RIP
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	9 am 9:30 am Mass 7 pm Mass*	<b>Prayer of the Rosary</b> Nashwin D'Souza – 16 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Private Intention
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	9 am 9:30 am Mass 7 pm Mass*	<b>Prayer of the Rosary</b> Lourenco & Perpetua Fernandes – 25 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Agnelo Rodrigues - RIP
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St Francis de Sales</i>	9 am 9:30 am Mass 7 pm Mass (Novena)	<b>Prayer of the Rosary</b> Baptista Family Anthony Pereira - RIP
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup></b> <i>THE CONVERSION</i> <i>OF ST PAUL THE</i> <i>APOSTLE</i>	9 am 9:30 am Mass 7 pm Mass*	<b>Prayer of the Rosary</b> Olavo Rodrigues & Valencia Costa – Thanksgiving -
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Ss Timothy &amp; Titus</i>	9 am 9:30 am Mass 7 pm Mass*	<b>Prayer of the Rosary</b> Souls of the Fernandes & Fernandes Family -
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30 am Mass 10-10:45 am 7 pm Vigil Mass	Luiza Mariana Rodrigues – RIP (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) <b>Adoration &amp; Confessions</b> Orlando Noronha - Birthday
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup></b> <b>+FOURTH</b> <b>SUNDAY OF</b> <b>ORDINARY TIME</b>	8 am Mass 9:30 am Family Mass 11:30 am Mass 5:30 pm	- Lelis Fernandes & Virginia De Souza - RIP Vallon Leitao – Birthday -

**\*Mass will be celebrated in the Martyrs' Chapel, please use the Car Park Entrance.**

**Let us pray for the sick people of our Parish**

Catherine Jennings, Ann Duckmanton, and Grace Gauci.

**Let us pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time**

Willie Hickey, Philip Vowles, Lee Welch, Norah Teresa Slack, Kathleen Rose, Joaquim Agnelo Rodrigues,  
Jeanette Ostrowski, Martyn Hynes, Vivien Peters, Ann Mould

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**21 JANUARY:** Confirmation Class after 9:30 am Mass

**21 JANUARY:** Columban Fathers Mission Appeal and Second Collection

**23 JANUARY:** Finance Committee Meeting (PFC Members Only)

**25 JANUARY:** New Readers' Training at 6pm in the Main Church

**28 JANUARY:** FHC Class and Parents' Meeting after 9:30 am Mass

**30 JANUARY:** Social Committee Meeting at 7.30 pm in the Parish Room

**4 FEBRUARY:** Confirmation Class after 9:30 am Mass

**8 FEBRUARY:** FHC First Confession Rehearsals

**10 FEBRUARY: FIRST CONFESSIONS**

**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.