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+ 1st Sunday of Lent (Year B)

18th February 2018

CAFOD – we welcome Helen and Pat to speak at most of our Masses today on behalf of CAFOD. Through CAFOD’s Family Fast Day, we can show so many children and adults that they are not forgotten. These people are part of our UNIVERSAL family and by doing the Family Fast Day – we are showing that we care. We can donate through the envelope provided but PLEASE if you are a tax payer –fill in the GIFT AID section. You gift can help end hunger and poverty across the world.

First Holy Communion: Fr. Derek continues this week visiting the children who are making their First Holy Communion this year. There are still a number of parents who have not booked an appointment yet. **PLEASE CONTACT FATHER DEREK THIS WEEK VIA EMAIL TO BOOK AN APPROPRIATE TIME WITH HIM.** Thank you.

PLEASE REMEMBER: On FRIDAYS there will be **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** AFTER Mass at 7pm. Also, ON SATURDAY after 9am Mass. **FLOWERS:** we ask parishioners NOT to bring in flowers to decorate any of the statues or the side altars.

REGISTRATION FOR PARISH RECORDS: If you are new to the parish or changed circumstances (name, address, person etc), please now do an **on-line registration or amendment. LINK IS ON THE WEBSITE.**

SUNDAY MASS

Sat Vigil 6.15pm
9am, 10.30am*
12noon, 6pm
*Children Liturgy
(Year 5 & Below)

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon - Sat 9am
Tue & Thu 6pm
Fri 7pm

EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE

Mon & Wed 6pm

CONFESSIONS

Fri 6pm – *Fr. Fortunato*
Sat 9.30-10.15 –*Fr. Fortunato*
Sat 4.30-5.30pm- *Fr Derek*

HOLY HOUR &

BENEDICTION

Sat 4.30-5.30pm

ROSARY

Mon-Sat 8.20am
(Wed & Fri 8am followed
by Stations of the Cross)

THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday : 9.30am - 1.00pm

OFFICE CLOSED ON FRIDAY

Parish Priest: Fr Derek McGuire

derekmcguire@rcdow.org.uk

(Day off: Monday 10am – Tuesday 12noon)

Assistant Priest: Fr Fortunato Pantisano

fortunatopantisano@rcdow.org.uk

(Day off: Wednesday)

PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL THE PRIESTS

DIRECTLY FOR APPOINTMENT

Parish Administrator: Lavina Fernandes

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Parish Centre Manager: Señorita Evans

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(BOOKINGS TAKEN BY PHONE MON, THURS, FRI 7.00-8.30AM,
AND TUES/WED 4.00-5.00PM, OR BY EMAIL)

Child Protection Carer: *Appointment pending*

PARISH NOTICES

NURSERY SCHOOL FORMS 2018 Please visit the School(s) or their websites for Application(s) and relevant information. Fr Derek/Fr Fortunato will be signing the 'Certificate of Catholic Practice' during the second week of March. Online appointments and guidelines are now available on the Parish website: parish.rcdow.org.uk/Hounslow. PARENTS PLEASE DO NOT PANIC. Please keep reading the newsletter. The deadline is 4 May – so there is time.

SIGNING THE CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE FOR SCHOOLS

1. The Archdiocese requires that families attend regularly (this means attending Mass every Sunday or Saturday evening) for at least **TWO years** before a priest is able to sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice.
 - **Attendance Card** is used to indicate the presence of families at Mass.
 - If you are new to the parish – you will need a **letter from your previous Parish Priest**.
2. Parents, please visit the [Local Council & Schools or their websites](#) for forms and other guidelines. Once your application is ready, then contact the priest as below.
3. For signing the Certificate of Catholic Practice for [Nursery, Reception & Secondary Transfer](#), please keep reading the newsletter near the time for online appointment(s) or visit the website.
4. For [other school years](#), please make an appointment directly with the priest, details available overleaf.
5. Please make sure you have the attendance card(s) or a letter from your previous Parish.

TEXT GIVING THROUGH YOUR MOBILE PHONE!

By using your mobile telephone, you can now text £5 as an offering to help support the running cost, ministries and programmes or the cost of maintenance and repair to our buildings.

Simple text "Parish HOUNS" to this

number: 70800

BIBLE TIMELINE: our Bible course on PSALMS 'The School of Prayer' on a break this Monday and Wednesday due to half term. We will continue on Monday 19 and Wednesday 21 February.

ALTAR SERVERS: BRONZE MEDALS for those who have done the test will be given at Sunday Masses 24th and 25th February 2018. PLEASE DO NOT MISS!!!

FINANCE MEETING: Wed 21 Feb at 7.30pm, Presbytery.

PARISH COUNCIL: Meeting on Tue 13 March at 7.30pm, Presbytery.

REGULAR NOTICES

NEW PARISHIONER OR FAMILY? CHANGE IN ADDRESS? ADDITION OF A NEW FAMILY MEMBER TO THE EXISTING RECORD? Please fill in the Parish Registration Form (GREEN COLOUR) available in the Church porch & drop the completed form into the mail-box, Parish Office.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPE BOXES will be ready for collection shortly in the church. Please note:

- Your Box Number will remain the same as last year.
- Please make sure that your Name and Address are correct on the box.
- Those who would like to have a box of envelope please fill in the PG registration (colour pink) & GAD form and drop it into the box. EVERY FAMILY SHOULD HAVE A WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION BOX – so please sign up. Those who have recently signed up, new boxes will be issued to you.
- If you would like to cancel your box due to changes in your circumstances, please contact Lavina.
- If you have any other queries, please contact Lavina during office hours or via email.

MARRIAGE PAPERWORK – A GENTLE REMINDER

– you need to give 6 MONTHS NOTICE of ANY MARRIAGE – whether it is taking place HERE or ABROAD - INDIA, PHILIPPINES or elsewhere. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT TO THE LAST MINUTE. Couples or individuals should speak to a priest VERY EARLY IN THE PROCESS – so that there is no last minute rush. Marriage Preparation Courses are NOT offered EVERY MONTH – so best to book early.

MASS ATTENDANCE CARD - STICKERS FOR THE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL YEAR 5 AND UNDER.

- Stickers are issued at the start of the Mass and will not be given at the end.
- All parents are reminded that a sticker will only be issued if the child is present for the Mass.
- Stickers will not be given if the card is not presented.
- Any issues please speak to Fr. Derek, do not abuse the ushers and those handing out the stickers.
- Parents please remember to have the picture of your child and their name on the card.

GOING IN TO HOSPITAL? - If you find yourself going in to hospital please be aware that the staff there will NOT ask you about your religion. You have to notify them by telling them that you are a Roman Catholic and that you would like the CHAPLAIN to know that you are in the hospital OR YOU CAN NOTIFY US DIRECTLY.

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – for children in year 5 or below will go into the Parish Centre for the Gospel at their level. We will resume today.

CONFIRMATION – a session for candidates and parents on Sunday, 25th February, 4:00–5:30pm in the Parish Centre and St. Marks school hall respectively.

CONFIRMATION – RISE Theatre will lead a mini retreat (11:30am-5:30pm) in the Parish Centre on Saturday, 3rd and Sunday 4th March. The candidates will be split into two groups and allocated one of the two days.

REPOSITORY

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA - *New CD of the Month: 'Could God love someone like me? – the Sacrament of Reconciliation'* by Fr Michael Schmitz. On sale by the Repository - £2.50 each.

“WE ADORE YOU, O CHRIST, AND WE PRAISE YOU”: THE GIFT OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST Faith-Sharing booklets, Cost £3. Faith sharing groups & individuals may find it very helpful.

WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS & MY DAY BY DAY LENT BOOKLETS for personal use. For Adults £1 & for Junior 50pence each are available at the back of the church. Please put your donations into the box marked PARISH UPKEEP at the back of the church.

EVENTS

JUSTICE & PEACE - CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY – FRIDAY 23 February. Let us make a conscientious effort to give up something and donate to the less fortunate through CAFOD. Please take an envelope this weekend 17/18 February and return it next weekend 24/25 February. Pray for all those in need of our help. This Lent your donations to our Family Fast Day Appeal will be matched by the UK Government. This means that your donations will be doubled, so please donate between 13 February and 12 May 2018.

LOURDES 1958-2018: The 30th Westminster Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018 Under the leadership of Cardinal Vincent Nichols in July. To join us contact: Pilgrimage Administrator Elizabeth Uwalaka, Tel: 020 7798 91773 Email: Lourdes@rcdow.org.uk **The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is once again looking to recruit VOLUNTEERS to help on this summer's pilgrimage. If you are over 18, please email chief helper Nick Leonard and team at westminsterstfrai@gmail.com**

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT TEAM One day Retreat of quiet Reflection Saturday 24th February 1am – 5pm. The Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, W1F 9JR. Rosary, Latin Mass, Lunch (Please bring your own Lunch - Tea and Coffee available) Scripture Talk - Blessed Adoration, Healing Prayers.

PERMANENT DEACON ‘COME AND SEE’ Men wanting to know more about the Permanent Diaconate are invited to come to a two hour meeting from 10am to 12noon at: St Edward the Confessor, Golders Green on Saturday 10th March, or Ealing Abbey Saturday 14th April, or Our Lady and St Vincent, Potters Bar Saturday 12th May. No booking needed. Wives welcome. Contact details Deacon Adrian Cullen 07961 594725 or Deacon Anthony Clark 07545 373548.

One of our young parishioners is trying to get involved with the YOUTH ELECTIONS as MYP for Hounslow. Why not vote for him to have our voice? If you are 11-18 you can vote by sending a text to 07941484913, send YOUSAF and your name or via google forms: <https://goo.gl/forms/DJ7AHvibbYGWYpQy1>: www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com. For more information David or Eileen, Tele: 0208 542 2476. See the poster in the church porch.

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

Genesis 9:8-15 God's covenant with Noah after he had saved him from the waters of the flood.

Psalm resp: *Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.*

1 Peter 3:18-22 That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now.

Mark 1:12-15 Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.

Divine Office: Week I

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 22:1-2.9-13.15-18 The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.

Psalm response: *I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.*

Romans 8:31-34 God did not spare his own Son.

Mark 9:2-10 This is my Son, the beloved.

GROUP MEETINGS

PARISH COUNTING GROUP ROTA

This week: Group A (Jose Carlos)

Next week: Group B (Denzil Burns)

CARIBBEAN CATHOLICS will meet on Sunday 18th February from 1.00pm in the Parish Centre.

GOAN CHAPLAINCY KONKANI MASS on Sunday, 18th February at 4pm in the church.

ASCENT GROUP MEETING: Every Monday 1.30pm in the Parish Centre.

YEAR 7 & 8 YOUTH GROUP meets every Tuesday 6pm - 7.15pm in the Parish Centre. All girls and boys are welcome. Please see the poster in the church porch.

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS: Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Church.

UCM: No meeting this week. Tuesday 27th February 7.30pm its our AGM. Members please make a special effort to attend. All are welcome.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP: Wednesday evenings at 5.30pm, Church.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

10/11 February 2018

Envelopes	£ 3,102.14
Loose	£ 1,923.66
Standing orders - Jan	£ 1,500.44
TOTAL	<u>£ 6,526.24</u>

IN YOUR KINDNESS PLEASE PRAY FOR

SICK: Marcelle Baroudi, Pam Khoos, Clementine Parker, Tallula Parker, Laura D'Souza, Maralyn McNamara, Socorio Rozario Vaz.

RIP: Isabella Silva, Jason Asante-Appiah, Adriana Lauzado, Joy Mohan

FUNERAL: Thursday 10am – Requiem Mass for Mrs M Dardis.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

(SVP) MEETINGS are held on Weekend Group: 28th Feb (Wed) 7:30pm in the Parish Centre. New members are welcomed.

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY: Every Thursday from 5pm in the Church.

PRAYERS FOR PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN AND CLOSURE OF ABORTION CLINICS IN UK every last Friday of the month at 9.30am.

LIVING WORD CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL PRAYER GROUP meets every Friday from 7- 9pm at the Parish Centre.

CHURCH CLEANING: Every Saturday after 9am Mass. Please give a hand for half an hour.

ENGLISH EVENING RETREAT on Saturday 24th February, 7pm to 11.30pm led by Rev. Fr Joseph Edattu (Divine Retreat Centre UK).

YOUNG ADULTS: (AGE 18-35) meets every Sunday, 1.30-2.30pm in the Parish Centre.