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+ 4th Sunday of Lent (Year B)

11th March 2018

Last week Fr. Mamdouh Abusada from the The School of Joy in Bethlehem was with us. **THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS** which amounted to nearly £4000! This was nearly enough for **THREE** children. Some people asked me about sponsoring a child for the year. It costs about £1650.00 a year for each child. If you would like to do this, please contact Fr. Derek for details. **AGAIN – many thanks for your generosity.**

Fr. Derek would like to meet **ALL Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist**. PLEASE **CHOOSE ONE** of the following to attend if you are not able to come today:

Saturday 17th March 2 -3pm

Sunday 18th March 1.30 -2.30pm

EASTER FLOWERS - We will have a special collection for flowers to decorate the church for Easter **NEXT WEEKEND**. Please give generously.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & READERS: If you are available during the Holy week – please sign up for a chance to read or minister at one of the services.

ORDINATION OF ANTONIO PINEDA

Antonio is one of our students in Rome and he comes to us during the Christmas, Easter and summer holidays. He will be ordained to the priesthood at the end of July and will say his **FIRST WEEKDAY** Mass here in Hounslow. There will be a number of students for the priesthood who will be coming to London for this event. **DO YOU HAVE SPARE ROOM THAT YOU COULD HAVE ONE OR TWO OF THEM STAYING FOR A FEW DAYS AT THE END OF JULY.** If so, please contact Fr. Derek ASAP.

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

LENT CONFESSIONS

Fri 6pm – *Fr. Derek*

Sat 9.30-11.00 –

Fr. Patrick and Fr Chris

Sat 3.30-5.00pm-*Fr Azzopardi*

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

Sat 4.30-5.30pm

ROSARY

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

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

EVENING PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN: Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Parish Priest: Fr Derek McGuire

derekmcguire@rcdow.org.uk

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

Assistant Priest: Fr Fortunato Pantisano

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(Day off: Wednesday)

**PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL THE PRIESTS
DIRECTLY FOR APPOINTMENT**

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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 Fr Derek/Fr Fortunato will be signing the 'Certificate of Catholic Practice' this week. Online appointments and guidelines are available on the Parish website: parish.rcdow.org.uk/Hounslow. PARENTS PLEASE DO NOT PANIC. 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.

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.

Also please only use **CANDLES PROVIDED FOR DEVOTIONAL STATUES – other types of candles can be dangerous!**

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

BIBLE TIMELINE: After Easter we will begin a new series of Bible talks and the them will be **THE ACTS**

OF THE APOSTLES. Watch this space for information.

NEW RECEPTIONIST: After much deliberation and consultation among various groups, it has been decided to have the Parish Office open for a little time in the evening. Our new part-time receptionist Ryagina will be in the office on - **Monday, Wednesday & Friday 5pm 7pm**. NO EVENING OFFICE ON TUESDAY OR THURSDAY. We hope that this will give those who find it difficult to come in to the office in the morning, the opportunity to find time to come in during the evening hours.

British Summer Time - A reminder that the clocks go forward 1 hour at 1:00am on Sunday, 25th March.

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 **OR ONLINE FOR REGISTRATION OR AMENDMENT:** Please visit our website parish.rcdow.org.uk/hounslow/registration/ A Confirmation email or mail regarding your registration is not sent out to you at the moment. So if you would like one please email at hounslow@rcdow.org.uk

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPE BOXES – are ready for collection in the Church from this weekend after all Masses and thereafter during the weekdays. Please note:

- Your Box Number will remain the same as last years. Please remember your box number.
- 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 & GAD form (colour White) and drop it into the box provided. **EVERY FAMILY SHOULD HAVE A WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION BOX – so please sign up.**
- Those who have recently signed up, box of envelope will be issued to you shortly.
- This box of envelope is for the whole year starting from April to March. Followed by a new box of envelope each year in Feb/March to all the active Parish donors.
- If you would like to cancel your box due to changes in your circumstances, please contact Lavina.

- If you are a tax payer, the parish will receive 25p more for every £1 you give. So please sign the Gift Aid declaration form.
- If you have any other queries or cannot find your box, please contact Lavina during office hours or via email.

ANY 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

MARRIAGE PAPERWORK – A GENTLE REMINDER

– you need to give 6 MONTHS NOTICE of 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.

RCIA 3RD SCRUTINY – Sunday, 18th March, 10:30am Mass. The Elect (the unbaptised) and their sponsors are required to be present.

GOOD FRIDAY FAMILY SERVICE Children are invited to read at the Good Friday family service. Rehearsals in the Church on Saturdays, 17th & 24th March at 11:30am in the Church. Ideally both rehearsals must be attended by interested children.

EVENTS

ENTERING DEEPER INTO HOLY WEEK A series of talks and guided practical workshops that aim to equip you to enter deeper into each day's Mass readings over Holy Week are being held in our Parish Centre. For more information, pick up a leaflet at the back of the Church.

TALKING FAITH ON HEAVENS ROAD

CATHOLIC RADIO 557 days of captivity- The Kidnapping of Indian Missionary Salesian priest Fr Tom Uzhunnalil made international news headlines in March 2016 when ISIS terrorists attacked a home run by the Missionaries of Charity in Aden, Yemen. In this broadcast Fr Tom Uzhunnalil talks to Lavoisier Fernandes about his time in captivity in war-torn Yemen on air on Heaven's road Radio FM on **Monday, 19th March** at 0900/1500/2100/0300 GMT. via the web www.heavensroadfm.com.

CARDINAL'S MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL, SATURDAY

19TH MAY 2018 AT 3PM. The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass 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 2018. Any couples who qualify please email Lavina at lavinafernandes@rcdow.org.uk or contact the Parish office during the office hours **by the 24th March**.

ST MICHAEL & ST MARTIN – 'Easter Dine & Dance'

on Easter Sunday 1st April from 7pm onwards in the Parish Centre. Tickets on sale now - Adults: £15 and Child: £10 (below 10 years). This includes snacks, dinner and of course unlimited fun with music. BYOD (Bring Your Own Drinks!). Please book in advance, limited tickets. Raffle Prizes are welcome, please drop it at the Parish Office. Contact- Nelson: 07752985003 or Elaine: 07424451578 Rafid: 07941353192

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

2 Chronicles 36:14-16.19-23 The wrath and mercy of God are revealed in the exile and in the release of his people.

Psalm response: *O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!*

Ephesians 2:4-10 You who were dead through your sins have been saved through grace.

John 3:14-21 God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved. **Divine Office: Week IV**

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

5th Sunday of Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34 I will make a new covenant and never call their sin to mind.

Psalm resp: *A pure heart create for me, O God.*

Hebrews 5:7-9 He learnt to obey and became for all the source of eternal salvation.

John 12:20-30 If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

3/4 March 2018

Envelopes	£ 3,456.35
Loose	£ 1,816.83
TOTAL	<u>£ 5,273.18</u>

IN YOUR KINDNESS PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

RIP: Isabella Silva, Jason Asante-Appiah, Adriana Lauzado, Joy Mohan, Maura Dardis, Cleopatra Moulon, Rajamanikam Seevanasen, Edward Lennon, Gertruda Blum, Cleopatra Moulon

FUNERAL – Friday 10am – Mr. Rajamanikam Seevanasen.

GROUP MEETINGS

PARISH COUNTING GROUP ROTA

This week: Group D (Joe Furey)

Next week: Group B (Denzil Burns)

SRI LANKAN SINHALESE MASS on Sunday, 11th March at 4pm in the Church.

NIGERIAN COMMUNITY Meeting on Sunday, 11th March at 1.15pm in the Parish Centre.

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.

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

UCM: Tue 13th March 9.30am Meeting Parish Centre. Sat 24th March Annual Mass at Marylebone Church.

Officers elected at the AGM are President_ Clara Giwa Amu; Secretary- Elizabeth Baptiste; Treasurer_ Lillian DeSouza.

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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

(SVP) MEETINGS are held on **Weekday: 14th Mar (Wed) 7:30pm, Weekend: 17th Mar (Sat) 10am** in the Parish Centre.

CHURCH CLEANING: Every Thursday after 9am Mass during Lent. Please lend a hand.

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.

ENGLISH EVENING RETREAT on Saturday 17th March 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.

GOAN CHAPLAINCY KONKANI MASS on Sun, 18th March at 4pm in the church.

CARIBBEAN CATHOLICS will meet on Sun 18th March at 1.00pm in the Parish Centre.

