Instruction to all Readers/Lectors

Review your reading before you come to church. The readings can be located on website https://universalis.com/europe.england.westminster/calendar.htm

Ensure that the correct cycle of the year is selected (For example: Year B, 18th Sunday) & bidding prayers are on the lectern & are uploaded on the Parish website with the Readers Rota.

Arrive in good time; let the Senior Altar server know that you are there. Mark your attendance by signing the rota available on the notice board in the sacristy.

If you are unable to attend, please arrange for a replacement.

There should always be two readers for Sunday and other obligation masses. If your reading partner has not arrived. Please request a reader from the congregation to join you or inform the Senior Altar server.

Protecting your privacy

Thank you for undertaking this important ministry at St. Michael & St. Martin, Hounslow. Your personal details will be stored and used by the Parish for the purposes of the Readers Rotas and may be shared with other members in that group but will not be disclosed outside the parish. Rotas may be displayed around the church and on the Parish website. You can read our full privacy policy on https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/hounslow/diocese/privacy-notice/

Instructions/Message from Fr. Augustine Nwosu CSSp (Parish Priest)

The Lectors/Readers are NOT supposed to practice their readings inside the Church FEW MINUTES before the Mass. They are supposed to have done the practice at home before coming to Church. If they wish to equally practice in the Church after doing so at home, then, they should come on time (well before the Mass begins) in order not to DISTRACT people who are either praying or meditating before the celebration of the Holy Mass.

If any Lector/Reader identifies any problem with the Readings before the Mass begins, let the person call the attention of the presiding Priest for that Eucharistic celebration.

In addition, please tell the Lectors/Readers to limit their presence in the Sacristy to the Altar Servers section. The Priest's Sacristy is a PRIVATE SPACE for the Priests before and after each Eucharistic celebration.

Wishing all the Lectors/Readers the very best.