SS MICHAEL AND MARTIN

Roman Catholic Parish of Hounslow
Archdiocese of Westminster

This Parish is served by the Spiritans

NEWSLETTER

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+ 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 25th October 2020

BURIAL OF THE LATE MRS JANET SEGUN (FR DANIEL'S SISTER)

Fr Daniel Adayi, CSSp. will travel to Nigeria on Thursday 29th October 2020 for the burial of his younger sister, Mrs Janet Segun. She will be buried on Friday November 6th 2020. We commiserate with Fr Daniel and his family for the passing away of their loved one. Let us support Fr Daniel with our prayers and goodwill gestures during this difficult period of grief. Fr Daniel will return to the parish on Thursday 26th November 2020. May the soul of Janet Segun rest in perfect peace. Amen.

ANNUAL HOUNSLOW DEANERY BLESSING OF GRAVES

In the light of the current situation, and given the heightened levels of uncertainty in our society, Hounslow Deanery has decided to suspend this year's annual blessing of graves. This is a very sad but necessary decision. Nonetheless, we will intensive our prayers for all the departed souls during the month of November. The date for the Annual Parish Bereavement Mass will be communicated later. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in perfect peace. Amen.

DONATION FROM THE UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS (UCM)

On behalf of all parishioners, we want to sincerely thank the members of Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM) of our parish, who recently made a donation of £215.00 to the church. Their goodwill gesture will assist the church in meeting up with some of her multiple financial obligations. We assure you of our prayers, and wish you God's blessing in abundance.

SUNDAY MASSES
Sat Vigil 6.15pm
7:30am
9am
10.30am
12noon
6pm

WEEKDAY MASSES
Mon – Sat 9am
Mon -- Thu 6pm
Fri 7pm

PARISH OFFICE TIMES:
Monday – Thursday:
9.30am – 1pm

CONFESSIONS
Please contact any of the Priests through email for confessions.

PARISH OFFICE: MONDAY – THURSDAY 9.30am – 1pm

Parish Priest: Fr Augustine (Austin) Nwosu, CSSp.
augustinenwosu@rcdow.org.uk *(Day off: Mon)*
Assistant Priest: Fr Gerald Bonaventure Peter, CSSp.
bonaventuregerald@rcdow.org.uk *(Day off: Wed)*
Assistant Priest & Chaplain at Heathrow Airport:
Fr Daniel Adayi, CSSp.
danieladayi@rcdow.org.uk *(Day off: Thu)*
Supporting Priest: Fr Damian Moneke, CSSp.

PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL THE PRIEST DIRECTLY FOR APPOINTMENT

Parish Administrator: Priya Joseph
priyajoseph@rcdow.org.uk

Assistant Administrator: Ryagina Khortiyeva
ryaginakhortiyeva@rcdow.org.uk
Parish Catechist: Lionel Pereira
hounslowcat@rcdow.org.uk
Youth Worker: Ivan Čižmárik
ivancizmarik@rcdow.org.uk
Parish Centre Manager: Señorita Evans
07948 834 867
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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)
Parish Safeguarding Representative: Mary Pierre-Harvey
hounslowsg3@safeguardrcdow.org.uk (Case Report)

PARISH NOTICES

THE REPOSITORY (Church shop) is now open before and after each Mass on Sunday mornings. Christmas items are available for purchase.

GRATITUDE TO STEWARDS/USHERS - We are profoundly grateful to the Stewards/Ushers who have been helping in the church since it was opened for both private prayers and public worship. The sacrifice of your time and commitment to ensuring that our parish follows all the laid down guidelines have not gone unnoticed. You are simply outstanding in the way you provide quality, selfless, and thankless services to our parish community. We appreciate you and wish you the very best in life. God bless you!

COLLECTION OF PLANNED GIVING BOXES – If you want to collect your Planned Giving Box, during Office hours, from Monday to Thursday, 9.30am to 1pm, please contact the Parish Office, and speak to either the Parish Administrator, Priya Joseph, or the Assistant Administrator, Ryagina Khortiyeva. They will assist you in collecting your Planned Giving Box. If it is only convenient for you to collect your Planned Giving Box during the weekend, then, contact any of the Priests, and arrange a suitable time for its collection.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES IN OUR PARISH – This is to inform everyone that the daily live streaming of Masses in our parish is as follows: Monday to Thursday at **6pm;** Friday at **7pm;** Saturday at **6.15pm;** and Sunday at **10.30am.**

ONLINE OFFERING/DONATION TO THE CHURCH – With the vast majority of our parishioners, currently participating from their respective homes, during the celebration of Sunday Masses, it has become critically important for us to adopt **online offering and/or donation to the church,** especially through **Standing Order.** A new Standing Order Form, which the Diocese sent to us recently, has been uploaded to the parish website. **Online offering/donation to the church** will help our parish to continue to fulfil its financial obligations, including the ongoing maintenance of the Church, Presbytery, Parish Centre, and Parish Office.

MASS DIARY 2020 - Our Mass Diary for this year is fully booked. Any further Mass Intention(s) which we receive will be celebrated in any of our Spiritan Communities. The Mass Diary for 2021 will be launched in December 2020.

MASS INTENTION/OFFERING – Please email your Mass intention(s), with date(s) and time(s), for the Mass to **hounslow@rcdow.org.uk** Kindly note that granting your request, will depend on the availability in our Mass Diary. Payment can either be made **online**, through the parish website, using the link **'Donate to our Parish'**, or simply drop your money, enclosed in an envelope, clearly marked with your name and **'For Mass Intention(s)'** into the red mailbox outside the church. Alternatively, you can drop your envelope, with money enclosed, inside the Presbytery mailbox, on the entrance door. Your contact name and phone number, should be written on the envelope as well. The **minimum amount** for any Mass stipend is £5.

REGULAR NOTICES

NEW PARISHIONER OR FAMILY? ANY CHANGES 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 (Red) in front of the Church.

SIGNING THE CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE (CCP) FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
The Archdiocese requires that families attend regularly (that is weekly) for at least **TWO years** before a Priest is able to sign your form.

Attendance Card is used to indicate the presence of a family at Mass. This is temporarily suspended as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.

If you are new to the Parish, you will need **a letter** from your previous Parish Priest in order to obtain a signed Certificate of Catholic Practice from any of the Parish Clergy. Parents, YOU are responsible for the FULL education of your child.

Parents looking for Admission, please visit the **Local Council & Schools or their websites.** Once your school application is ready, then sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) with the Priest and submit your applications to Council & Schools.

The Certificates of Catholic Practice are signed:

(A). *For Secondary Transfer - Year 7 (in Sept -Oct), Reception (in Dec - Jan) & Nursery (in Mar- Apr),* please keep reading the Newsletter near the time for Online appointment(s) with the Priest & visit the Parish Website for more information.

(B). *For School years (Yr1 to Yr6) or other School years (Yr8 onwards) or you have missed the online appointments*, please make an appointment directly with the Priest.

PLANNED GIVING: 2020-2021. Those who would like to have a box of envelopes please fill in the Planned Giving registration (White colour). If you prefer a Standing Order, please complete a yellow colour form.

If you are a UK Tax payer, the parish will receive 25p more for every £1 you give. So please sign the Gift Aid Declaration Form.

EVERY FAMILY SHOULD HAVE A WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION BOX – so, please sign up. For those who have recently signed up, the box of envelopes will be issued shortly. If you would like to cancel your box due to a change of circumstances or have any other query related to Planned Giving, please contact the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE PAPERWORK – A GENTLE REMINDER – you need to give **6 MONTHS NOTICE of MARRIAGE** – whether it is taking place HERE or ABROAD. 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.

MARRIAGE PAPERWORK PREPARATION (OVERSEAS) The following are some NEW DIOCESAN REQUIREMENTS with regard to overseas marriage paperwork.

A couple is required to obtain the written consent of the Parish Priest in the country where the wedding will take place. The Parish Priest will indicate in his email, the confirmation of the wedding date, and his willingness to accept scanned Baptism and Confirmation Certificates, which may be more than SIX MONTHS from their dates of issue, if obtaining updated certificates is not possible.

A couple is required to obtain the written consent of the Diocesan Chancery where the parish is located, through email, indicating that the Chancery will accept approved scanned marriage paperwork which will be sent to them from Westminster Diocesan Chancery. In addition, the designated Chancery will indicate that they will accept Baptism and Confirmation Certificates which may be more than SIX MONTHS from their dates of issue, if obtaining updated documents is not possible.

A couple is required to forward the above mentioned emails to any of the Parish Clergy after receiving them.

Marriage paperwork process (overseas) can **ONLY** commence when the above conditions are fulfilled.

Please make an appointment directly with the Priest. Contact details available overleaf.

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS 2020/2021 - Online registrations for the 2020/2021 First Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA Programmes will be uploaded to the parish website in early November 2020. Parents are requested to register their children who are qualified for each of those programmes as soon as the platform and/or link is made available by the Parish Catechist. For further information, please contact the Parish Catechist, Lionel Pereira. His contact details are available in the front page of the parish newsletter.

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM – With the recent Guidelines on the Celebration of Baptism, published by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales (CBCEW), we have resumed the celebration of Baptism in our parish since Saturday, 1st August 2020. At this time, baptisms in the church will be for **single families.** Multiple family baptisms are suspended until further notice. With regard to this guideline, we will therefore celebrate Baptism on **Tuesday** and **Friday** as well. This will help us to attend to several families who want their children baptised as soon as possible. The maximum number of people allowed to attend any Baptism ceremony is **6.** The **child to be baptised** should be **held by the parents only.** Other members of the family, including godparents will be socially distanced in household groups (or bubbles) in the church.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE - In place of the paper form for baptism registration, an online registration form has been uploaded to the Parish website. Registrants are allotted to the upcoming course on a first-come-first-served basis and the overflow are allotted to the next available course. Please check the Parish website for programme details. For further assistance, kindly contact the Parish Catechist, Lionel Pereira.

WALK WITH ME – The programme remains suspended until further notice.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – The 'Children's Liturgy' remains suspended until further notice. Please visit the Parish Website for online resources to help families follow the daily celebration of Holy Mass and to pray at home with their children.

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

30th Sunday in OT

Exodus 22:20-26 – If you are harsh with the widow and orphan, my anger will flare against you.

Psalm Response: *I love you, Lord, my strength.*

Thessalonians 1:5-10 - You broke with idolatry and became servants of God; you are now waiting for his Son.

Matthew 22:34-40 – The commandments of love.

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

All Saints

Apocalypse 7:2-4, 9-14 – I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language.

Psalm Response: *Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.*

John 3:1-3 – We shall be like God because we shall see him as he really is.

Matthew 5:1-12a – How happy are the poor in spirit.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

17th/18th October 2020

Envelopes:	£ 2,025.55
Loose:	£ 1,362.34
TOTAL:	**£ 3,387.89**

IN YOUR KINDNESS PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK: Calistus

RIP: Bernadette Nwosu, Joaquim Agostinho, Jeff Nicholson, Veronica Roache, Florence Tsang, Stan Tucker, Elizabeth Gallego, Cynara Stephanie Ferrao, David Payne, Stefania Wolanska, Jack Nicholl, Nick Cheand, Lorna Newman, Pedro Simbe, Esther Pereira

GUIDANCE FOR THE SAFE USE OF THE CHURCH

As coronavirus infection rates continue to increase exponentially, it is critically important for us to follow the established guidance to ensure that our church remains open and safe for public worship. Please continue to maintain social distancing from others who are not in your household. **This includes avoiding all physical contact such as hugging or shaking hands.** Remember to wash your hands regularly, use the hand sanitiser as you enter and exit the church, and wear a face covering while inside the church. We recognise that some people are medically exempt from wearing face coverings. Thank you for your cooperation.

UPDATES ON LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

With regard to the current guidelines, the maximum number of people allowed in the church for the following celebrations are: BAPTISM – Six (6); WEDDING – Fifteen (15) and FUNERAL – Thirty (30). For the HOLY MASS, the advertised maximum number of people in the church remains in place, given the 1m plus social distancing rule.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Our Parish SVP team are here to help in a time of real need for all who are struggling! All of our volunteers are DBS checked and will be washing their hands regularly and avoiding unnecessary physical contact (2m distance). If there are any families/senior citizens looking for

1. A friendly phone call
2. Material help (**NO financial help**)
3. Urgent supplies
4. IT Help (Skype set up, video calling etc.)
5. Posting mail
6. Prayer companion

Please contact us on 07551 558951.