## SS MICHAEL AND MARTIN



3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Roman Catholic Parish of Hounslow Archdiocese of Westminster

This Parish is served by the Spiritans

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place on 07<sup>th</sup>/08<sup>th</sup> May. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 58 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 17 of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also from our Diocese. Last year four men who studied at Allen Hall were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for your generosity.

## MIGRANTS MASS AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

Migrants Mass will be held at Westminster Cathedral on Bank Holiday Monday,  $2^{nd}$  May, 2022 at 2.00pm. The choir will be led by the Youth and Caribbean Music Ministry. Everyone is invited.

### **SUNDAY MASSES**

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

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon – Sat 9am Mon -- Thu 6pm Fri 7pm

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Fri 6pm -6:30pm Sat 9.30am-10.15am & 4.30pm - 5.15pm

#### **BAPTISM**

Saturday 12noon

#### **BENEDICTION**

Saturday 4:30pm – 5:30pm

#### **PARISH ROSARY**

Mon - Sat 8:15am

## PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS: MONDAY – THURSDAY, 9:30AM – 1PM - Tel: (020) 8570 1693

**Parish Priest:** Fr Augustine (Austin) Nwosu, CSSp. augustinenwosu@rcdow.org.uk(*Day off: Mon*)

**1**<sup>st</sup> **Assistant Priest:** Fr Alphonsus Beni CSSp. alphonsusbeni@rcdow.org.uk (*Day off: Wed*)

2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Priest & Chaplain at Heathrow Airport: Fr Damian-Mary Moneke, CSSp. damianmoneke@rcdow.org.uk (Day off: Thu)

PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL THE PRIEST DIRECTLY FOR APPOINTMENT Tel: (020) 8570 1693 Parish Administrator: Priya Joseph

priyajoseph@rcdow.org.uk

Parish Catechist: Lionel Pereira hounslowcat@rcdow.org.uk

Youth Worker: Ivan Čižmárik ivancizmarik@rcdow.org.uk

Parish Centre Manager: Señorita Evans

senoritaevans@rcdow.org.uk

(BOOKINGS CLOSED TEMPORARILY DUE TO RENOVATION)

Parish Safeguarding Representative: Mary Pierre-Harvey hounslowsg3@safeguardrcdow.org.uk (Case Report)

## **PARISH NOTICES**

#### MASS ATTENDANCE CARDS AND STICKERS

Parents are reminded to take note of this development, and to remember that they are responsible for bringing their children to the church for weekend Masses, and on time as well. The new Mass Attendance Card (Purple Colour) (Mar 2022- Jun 2022) is for children in Year 5 and below only. This Card will be requested by the Priest before signing of the Certificate of Catholic Practise (CCP) for Catholic Schools. Stickers will be given when you ENTER THE CHURCH BEFORE MASS BEGINS.

- Please ensure your card has a recent <u>PHOTO</u> of your child and their <u>FULL NAME</u>.
- 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. We will stop issuing stickers once the First Reading starts.

#### **CHURCH AND PARISH CENTRE HALLWAY**

The hallway between the Church and the **Parish Centre is CLOSED** to parishioners until the completion of the renovation of the Parish Centre. Parishioners are to enter and exit the Church through the main wooden doors. The hallway will be used exclusively by the Giggles Nursery kids and staff. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

#### PARISH CENTRE RENOVATION UPDATES

A quote of £41,376.00, inclusive of VAT, meant for the renovation work in the Parish Centre has been approved by the Parish and the Diocese. The total contribution from parishioners for this project is currently **£23,471.02.** Our target is £42,000. We are very grateful to all those who have donated to the Parish Centre Renovation Project. We kindly appeal to parishioners and friends to collect the **BLUE ENVELOPE** as you leave the church, enclose your donation for Parish Centre Renovation, and return it to us. Please tick the box for the BUILDING FUND. If you are a UK tax payer, kindly complete the Gift Aid Declaration Section. It will enable the parish to get additional money from Her Majesty Revenue Office. We rely on the support of everyone for the completion of the Parish Centre Renovation Project. Thank you very much for your anticipated support. God bless you.

## PROFOUND GRATITUDE TO SOME PARISHIONERS

We are profoundly grateful to some of our parishioners who recently made the following donations to the Parish Centre Renovation Project: £100, £50, £50, £50, God bless all of you.

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The SVP continues with the Parish Food Bank. Kindly note the new schedule:

When: Every 2nd Saturday of the month

Time: 10:30am to 12pm Location: Church Car Park

All safety guidelines are adhered to (Note: If you want to donate food then you can either do that during the above time slot or **before/after weekday/weekend masses in the Church**. Contact the number below for more information) SVP Contact: Either contact Vincent or call 075 5155 8951 (For food donation and also for all volunteering opportunities).

#### **CHURCH CLEANLINESS**

Please ensure you do not leave any rubbish behind such as tissues, face masks, wrappers etc, on the pews. The Ushers are only volunteering to sanitise the Church after Mass. We **ALL** are equally responsible for keeping our Church neat and clean.

## **REGULAR NOTICES**

#### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

We welcome all new parishioners to St Michael and St Martin Catholic Church Hounslow. We want you to feel at home in the parish. The first thing to do is to complete the **PARISH REGISTRATION FORM** which is available in the parish office and also in the porch area of the church. Thereafter, you are requested to slip the completed parish registration form into the **MAILBOX** in the **Presbytery door**.

Your completed form will be processed later by the Parish Office. Please allow at least two weeks for the Parish Registration forms to be processed, as we deal with large volumes of forms every week. To obtain your family ID number, please send an email to the parish office hounslow@rcdow.org.uk, providing your full name and date of birth. Old members who

have not registered in the parish are requested to complete the PARISH REGISTRATION FORM without further delay. The second thing to do if you are new in the parish is to read the weekly parish newsletter. Please note we DO NOT have ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM. If you are a visitor or worshipping with us for the first time, you are very welcome to our parish family.

## 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.

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 the Parish Clergy. Parents, YOU are responsible for the FULL education of your children. 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 and visit the
Parish Website for more information.

(B). For School years (Yr1 to Yr6) or other School years (Yr8 onwards). Please make an appointment directly through email with any of the Priests for the signing of CCP.

#### **PLANNED GIVING 2022-2023**

Planned Giving Boxes for 2022/2023 is ready for collection from the Parish Office after **any weekend Mass.** The boxes can also be collected from Monday — Thursday during Parish Office hours ONLY. Please ensure you have your box number ready. The boxes cannot be collected on behalf of anyone else without their consent. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity towards the parish. God bless you.

MARRIAGE PAPERWORK – GENTLE REMINDER You are required to give <u>6 MONTHS NOTICE of MARRIAGE</u> – 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.

Please make an appointment directly with a Priest through email. Contact details available overleaf.

## **CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES**

## WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION ON PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES:

Parishioners are to first check the SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION section under the PARISH LIFE header on the parish website; it has general information on the programmes. The next place to check is the Parish Newsletter. If the information you seek is not found on either of these then send an email to the Parish Catechist. Please reserve phone calls for urgent matters.

#### **BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE**

Parents of new-borns and those seeking Baptism may register for the course using the online form available on the Baptism page of the Parish website. The next course will be run in May 2022. Read the Baptism webpage for requirements & other details.

#### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

The 'Children's Liturgy' in our Parish remains suspended. Please visit the parish website for online resources to use at home.

#### **WALK WITH ME 2021-22**

The start of the Walk With Me programme has been delayed. The Parish catechist will contact parents of children on the programme directly via email with the programme schedule when it is possible to begin.

All parishioners who cannot come to church in person, are encouraged to attend the Masses of our Parish online at home, so that they may be spiritually nourished, remain connected to our Parish community and receive timely updates. Search for SSMMLIVE on YouTube or visit https://tinyurl.com/ssmmlive

### **TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASSES**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32,40-41 – We are witnesses to all this: we and the Holy Spirit

**Psalm Response** – I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

**Apocalypse 5:11-14** – The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given riches and power

**John 21:1-19** – Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish.

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S MASSES**

4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14,43-52- 'We must turn to the pagans'

Psalm Response – We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

**Apocalypse 7:9, 14-17** – The Lamb will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of the living water

John 10:27-30 — I know my sheep and they follow me.

## **GROUP MEETINGS**

#### **SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS**

Sunday 01<sup>st</sup> May 2022 at 3:00pm in the church.

#### **ST ANTHONY NOVENAS**

St Anthony's novena **Tuesday 03<sup>rd</sup> May at 7pm** in the Church.

<u>IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY:</u> Every Thursday from 5pm in the Church.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP: Wednesday 04<sup>th</sup> May at 5.15pm in the Church.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP) MEETINGS

are held on Weekend: 2 & 4 Saturday at 10am in the Church. New members are welcome.

## LIVING WORD CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

<u>PRAYER GROUP</u> invites parishioners to our ONLINE prayer meeting/Fellowship every Friday evening. Please email us at <u>livingwordccr@gmail.com</u> or/contact Sam (+447450355567) or Graham (+447908287917) for the link and/or other enquiries.

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Envelopes: £1,518.66 Loose: £3,359.07 **TOTAL:** £4,877.73

Thank you for your generosity.

### IN YOUR KINDNESS PLEASE PRAY FOR

**PRAY FOR OUR SICK:** Steve, Sandra, Flavia D'Sa and Carson Javier Dabasia.

RIP: Bernadette Nwosu, Agnes Lobo, Anita Saldanha Martha D'Souza, Cecilia Souza, Andreas Chrysanthou, Terri Boyd, Renato Rae Rodas, Angela Bulfin, Manuelina Saldanha, Baby Mary Mercy Nazareth, Jack Nicholl, Baby Sarah Fernandes, Dina Filomena Mazzaschi, Hilda Vaz, Alice Rozario, Charles Bryne, Cresencia Cortez, Francisco D'Souza, Antonio Dias Maria De Jesus Laporte and Savina Rodrigues.

# CONFESSIONS FOR THE CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Confessions for the Confirmation candidates will take place in the Church on Friday, 6th May from 5pm to 6.30pm. This scheduled confessions is strictly for the candidates involved in our Confirmation preparatory programme.

#### FR AUSTIN'S ANNUAL RETREAT

We welcome back our Parish Priest, Fr Austin Nwosu, CSSp from his annual retreat. He will resume his duties on **Tuesday 03**<sup>rd</sup> **May.** Fr Austin, thank you for serving our parish with dedication and love.

#### **MAY BANK HOLIDAY**

Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May is a Bank Holiday. There will be only **ONE** Mass in the morning at 10am. The church doors and gate will open at 9am. There will be **NO** evening Mass on that day.

## PRAYER FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son in the Eucharist. We now place before you all the sick and housebound of our parish. As they share in this Eucharist with us, we pray that they may come to know the depth of your love for them and, the joy, the peace and healing of your presence. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.