

# SS MICHAEL AND MARTIN



Roman Catholic Parish of Hounslow  
Archdiocese of Westminster

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## PARISH NEWSLETTER

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**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022**

### SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is on Thursday 26th May 2022. We are encouraged to participate in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist on that day.

### PARISH YOUTH CONFIRMATION

Our Parish Youth Confirmation ceremony took place on Saturday 21st May 2022 at the Westminster Cathedral. We congratulate all our candidates who were confirmed yesterday. Your confirmation ceremony does not mark the end of your participation in the parish. On the contrary, it presents you with a golden opportunity to seek to serve our parish actively in any volunteer capacity of your choice. We need your active involvement in the parish.

### MORE VOLUNTEERS CATECHISTS ARE NEEDED

We request for more Volunteer Catechists for our next sacramental programmes (Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA). Beginning from the 2022/2023 sacramental programmes in September 2022, we will resume face to face catechetical classes. To safeguard our children properly, more Volunteer Catechists are needed so that the programmes can be organised successfully. If you are interested in becoming a Volunteer Catechist, please forward your name and contact details to the Parish Catechist, Lionel Pereira. He will organise the initial training for Volunteer Catechists. Thereafter, the Volunteer Catechists will still be offered opportunities for further training as the need arises. It is important for parents to note that if we do not get the required number of Volunteer Catechists to organise our different catechetical programmes successfully in accordance with the relevant Safeguarding policy, we will therefore reduce the number of children who will be admitted to our First Holy Communion and Confirmation Programmes.

### 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](mailto:augustinenwosu@rcdow.org.uk) (**Day off: Mon**)

**1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Priest:** Fr Alphonsus Beni CSSp.

[alphonsusbeni@rcdow.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:damianmoneke@rcdow.org.uk) (**on annual leave**)

**Parish Administrator:** Priya Joseph

[priyajoseph@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:priyajoseph@rcdow.org.uk)

**Parish Catechist:** Lionel Pereira

[hounslowcat@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:hounslowcat@rcdow.org.uk)

**Youth Worker:** Ivan Čižmárik

[ivancizmarik@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:ivancizmarik@rcdow.org.uk)

**Parish Centre Manager:** Señorita Evans

[senoritaevans@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:senoritaevans@rcdow.org.uk)

(BOOKINGS CLOSED TEMPORARILY DUE TO RENOVATION)

**Parish Safeguarding Representative:** Mary Pierre-Harvey

[hounslowsg3@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:hounslowsg3@safeguardrcdow.org.uk) (Case Report)

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

**Tel: (020) 8570 1693**

## **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 **PHOTO** of your child and their **FULL NAME**.
- 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.

### **WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

Our parish is planning to attend World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon with the Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry. If you are interested in attending WYD, please contact the parish Youth Worker, Ivan Cizmarik, **E: [ivancizmarik@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:ivancizmarik@rcdow.org.uk)** to confirm your expression of interest. Please be aware that the Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry will only be able to take individuals above the age of 18 at time of travel. Dates for World Youth Day 2023: Tuesday 1 August 2023 – Sunday 6 August 2023, Location: Lisbon, Portugal. Further details to be confirmed.

### **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 **£24,951.02**. 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.

### **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

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

**When: Every 2<sup>nd</sup> 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: Vincent on 075 5155 8951 (For food donation and also for all volunteering opportunities).

## **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](mailto: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 **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.

**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.

### **MONTHLY YOUTH MASS FOLLOWED BY SNACK EVENING**

After the 6pm Youth Mass on the 29th of May; grab a quick bite, meet the team and new friends. Find out what is in store for you. Where? Near the LINK EXIT. Come along! The 6pm Mass of the last Sunday of each month is designated as the Parish Youth Mass. All the youth of our parish are invited to participate actively in those Masses. For further information, please contact the Parish Youth Worker, Ivan Cizmarik. His email address is on the front page of the parish newsletter.

### **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

### **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 15:1-2, 22-29** – It has been decided by the Spirit and by ourselves not to burden you with any burden beyond these essentials

**Psalm Response** – *Let the peoples praise you, O God, let all the peoples praise you.*

**Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23** – He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven

**John 14:23-29** – A peace the world cannot give is my gift to you.

## NEXT SUNDAY'S MASSES

### **7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 7:55-60** – The stoning of Stephen

**Psalm Response** – *The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.*

**Apocalypse 22:12-14,16-17,20** – Come, Lord Jesus

**John 17:20-26** – Father, may they be completely one.

## GROUP MEETINGS

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

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm in the church.

### **ST ANTHONY NOVENAS**

St Anthony's novena **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm, followed by rosary during the month of May** in the Church. All are welcome.

### **NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:**

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 5.15pm in the Church. All are welcome.

### **DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND**

### **IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY:**

Every Thursday from 5pm in the Church. All are welcome.

### **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP) MEETINGS**

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

### **LIVING WORD CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL**

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

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

Envelopes: £1,650.80

Loose: £3,738.02

**TOTAL: £5,388.82**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

## IN YOUR KINDNESS PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

**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.

## **LEPRA APPEAL COLLECTION – THANK YOU**

A total of £92.56 was collected last weekend in support of LEPRA Agency. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity.

## **INAUGURATION OF PARISH SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

Members of the Parish Social Committee are requested to make out time for their inauguration on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022 during the 12noon Mass.

## **CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION NETWORK COLLECTION**

There will be a mandatory second collection in all the Masses next weekend in support of the Catholic Communication Network. As usual, we look forward to your kindness and generosity of heart.

## **GHANAIAI COMMUNITY SUMMER FAMILY BREAK TO DISNEYLAND PARIS**

We would like to extend our invitation to the Church Community for a trip to Disneyland Paris, from 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> August 2022. For further details, please contact either Gina: 07915378952 or Connie: 07949705385.

## **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.**