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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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7th Sunday of Easter

POPE FRANCIS PRAYS FOR PEACE

On Tuesday, 31 May 2022, at 6pm (5pm UK time), Pope Francis will be reciting the Rosary in front of the statue of Our Lady Queen of Peace, in the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome. In doing so, 'he wishes to offer a sign of hope to the world, suffering through the conflict in Ukraine, and profoundly wounded through the violence of so many other theatres of war.' Let us join the Holy Father next Tuesday, the end of the Marian month of May, in praying for PEACE, especially through the recitation of the Rosary.

FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on Tuesday 31st May 2022. There will be Parish Rosary after the 6pm Mass to mark the end of the month of the Rosary (May). We continue to ask our Blessed Mother Mary to intercede for us, and for the reign of peace in our troubled world.

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

29th May 2022

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)

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

2nd Assistant Priest & Chaplain at Heathrow Airport: Fr Damian-Mary Moneke, CSSp. damianmoneke@rcdow.org.uk (on annual leave)

> 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 <u>senoritaevans@rcdow.org.uk</u> (BOOKINGS CLOSED TEMPORARILY DUE TO RENOVATION) Parish Safeguarding Representative: Mary Pierre-Harvey hounslowsg3@safeguardrcdow.org.uk (Case Report)

PARISH NOTICES

VISIT OF THE PROVINCIAL SUPERIOR OF SPIRITANS

The Provincial Superior of the British Province of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans), Fr Ugo Ikwuka, CSSp. is on his official visit to our parish this weekend. With grateful hearts, we welcome him to St Michael and St Martin Catholic Church Hounslow.

INAUGURATION OF PARISH SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The inauguration of the Parish Social Committee will place today, Sunday 29th May 2022 during the 12noon Mass. All those who volunteered to serve in this committee are requested to participate in this inauguration ceremony.

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.

WALK WALK IN THE LIGHT

Walking is simple, free and one of the easiest ways to get more active, build stamina, become healthier and its good for your mental Health. The S.C.S team are organising "Stepathon" for anyone who is interested walking 10k steps every day for 30 days. Don't worry if you don't reach 10,000 steps each day — or even 7,500, for that matter. Instead, focus on what these goals represent: namely, moving your body regularly for physical and mental health. It will be fun as part of the wider community. For further details on how to take part, please contact Sports and Cultural Team of SSMM ssmmscs@gmail.com. The deadline to enter is 8pm 6th June 2022.

PARISH CENTRE RENOVATION UPDATES

A guote 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 **£25,601.02.** 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 contributed a total of **£650** last week to the ongoing Parish Centre Renovation Project. God bless all of you.

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 <u>a letter</u> 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 <u>Local Council & Schools or their</u> <u>websites.</u> Once your school application is ready, then sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) with the Priest and submit your applications to Council & Schools. <u>The Certificates of Catholic Practice are</u> <u>signed:</u>

(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</u> <u>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. <u>Please make an</u> <u>appointment directly with a Priest through</u> <u>email. Contact details available overleaf.</u>

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 <u>https://tinyurl.com/ssmmlive</u>

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASSES	OFFERTORY COLLECTION
7 th Sunday of Easter	21 st /22 nd May 2022
Acts 7:55-60 – The stoning of Stephen	Envelopes: £2,043.97
Psalm Response – The Lord is king, most high above	Loose: £3,632.78
all the earth.	<u>TOTAL: £5,676.75</u>
Apocalypse 22:12-14,16-17,20 – Come, Lord Jesus	Thank you for your generosity.
John 17:20-26 – Father, may they be completely one.	IN YOUR KINDNESS PLEASE PRAY FOR
NEXT SUNDAY'S MASSES	PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Steve, Sandra, Flavia D'Sa and
PENTECOST	Carson Javier Dabasia and John Norris.
Acts 2:1-11 – They were all filled with the Holy Spirit	PID: Demodette Nuesu, Agnes Lobe, Anite Caldenbe,
and began to speak	RIP: Bernadette Nwosu, Agnes Lobo, Anita Saldanha Martha D'Souza, Cecilia Souza, Andreas Chrysanthou,
Psalm Response – Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and	Terri Boyd, Renato Rae Rodas, Angela Bulfin,
renew the face of the earth.	Manuelina Saldanha, Baby Mary Mercy Nazareth, Jack
1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 – In the one Spirit we	Nicholl, Baby Sarah Fernandes, Dina Filomena
were all baptised	Mazzaschi, Hilda Vaz, Alice Rozario, Charles Bryne,
John 20:19-23 – As the Father sent me, so am I	Cresencia Cortez, Francisco D'Souza, Antonio Dias
sending you: receive the Holy Spirit.	Maria De Jesus Laporte and Savina Rodrigues.
GROUP MEETINGS	10TH ANNUAL ST ANTHONY'S NOVENA AND
SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS	FEAST MASS
Sunday 5 th June at 3pm in the church.	The nine days St Anthony's novena will start from
ST ANTHONY NOVENAS	4 th to 12 th June at 7pm in the Church and after weekend Masses (Saturday after 6:15pm Mass
St Anthony's novena Tuesday 31 st May at 7pm, in the	and Sunday after 6pm Mass). The Feast of St
Church. All are welcome.	Anthony will be celebrated on 13th June at
	6:30pm. This will be the 10 th anniversary of St
NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:	Anthony's Feast. If you would like to offer
Wednesday 01 st June at 5.15pm in the Church. All are	petitions, or would like to donate bread or food
welcome.	for the novenas or feast Mass, please contact any
DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND	member of the S.C.S Team after the novena. All
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY:	are welcome.
Every Thursday from 5pm in the Church. All are	CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION NETWORK
welcome.	COLLECTION
	There will be a mandatory second collection in all
ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP) MEETINGS	the Masses this weekend in support of the Catholic Communication Network. As usual, we look forward
Weekend: 2 & 4 Saturday at 10am in the Church.	to your kindness and generosity of heart.
New members are welcome.	
LIVING WORD CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL	BANK HOLIDAY Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June 2022 are marked
PRAYER GROUP invites parishioners to our ONLINE	as Bank Holiday in honour of the Platinum Jubilee of
prayer meeting/Fellowship every Friday evening.	the reign of Queen Elizabeth II. The church doors
Please email us at <u>livingwordccr@gmail.com</u>	and gates will open at 9am on those days. There will
or/contact Sam (+447450355567) or Graham	be ONLY ONE MASS at 10am on those days. The
(+447908287917) for the link and/or other enquiries.	church doors and gates will be locked after the
chquines.	celebration of the Holy Mass. There will be NO
	EVENING MASS on either day. Happy Bank Holiday
	in advance.
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.