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Archdiocese of Westminster

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

12th June 2022

REFLECTION ON THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

We celebrate today the great mystery of the Most Holy Trinity - God is One in Three Persons. This article of our Creed is taken from the Bible as evident from the biblical texts read at Mass today. The Wisdom of God, as shown in Proverbs 8, 22-31, is God's possession before all things began. This same Wisdom of God was manifest at the creation. When devil used our first parents to corrupt God's creation, it took the incarnation of the same Wisdom of God, Jesus Christ to rescue the situation. Writing to the Romans 5, 1-5, Paul observes that our justification by faith in Christ earned us eternal peace with God due to the love of God poured in us through the Holy Spirit. Repeating the words of Jesus to his disciples, John sums it up thus: "The Holy Spirit will take from what is mine which is also the Father's, and declare it to you" (John 16, 12-15). So, we truly believe in God who is Three Persons. Each Person is distinct but never acts independently. The term Trinity might not have been used in the Bible, but the teaching is present in seed form in the Old Testament and explicit in the New Testament. Our finite human mind is incapable of comprehending this mystery of God. We accept the truth of God's word in the Bible by faith. Theologians have pointed out that if it were untrue, the Bible would be unreliable; Christ would not be divine, and His death on the cross would not atone for our sins, being merely the death of a martyr. May God strengthen our faith in this mystery and improve our love of Him in His Son through the Holy Spirit, Amen.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Parish Priest, Fr Austin Nwosu, CSSp. will be away from Monday 13th to Thursday 16th June 2022. He will **NOT** have access to his emails and official phone during this period. Please contact either Fr Alphonsus Beni, CSSp. or Fr Damian-Mary Moneke, CSSp. for any pastoral matter while Fr Austin is away. Thank you for your cooperation.

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**)

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 (**Day off: Thurs**)

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

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

Youth Worker: Ivan Čižmárík
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 (Incident Report)

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

Tel: (020) 8570 1693

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE (AWARENESS COORDINATOR)

We need a Volunteer for the role of a Parish Safeguarding Representative (PSR) for creating awareness about the best safeguarding practices in the parish. If you are interested in volunteering for this role, kindly forward your **name, phone number and email address** to the Parish Priest, Fr Austin Nwosu, CSSp. as soon as possible. We already have Parish Safeguarding Representatives for DBS, Lorna Rodrigues and Incident Report, Mary Pierre-Harvey.

VISITING THE SICK, THE ELDERLY AND HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH

If you know any parishioner who is sick, elderly or housebound and needs the attention of a priest, please forward the person's name, phone number and address to the Parish Administrator, Priya Joseph. After receiving the information, one of the priests will visit the person and pray for him or her.

10TH ANNUAL ST ANTHONY'S NOVENA AND FEAST MASS

The nine days St Anthony's novena continues till the **12th June at 7pm** in the Church and after weekend Masses (Saturday after 6:15pm Mass and Sunday after 6pm Mass). The Feast of St Anthony will be celebrated on **13th June at 6:30pm**. This will be the 10th anniversary of St Anthony's Feast. If you would like to offer petitions, or would like to donate bread or food for the novenas or feast Mass, please contact any member of the S.C.S Team after the novena. **All are welcome**. Please note the school car park will not be available for the feast Mass in the evening, parking will be limited and on first come, first serve basis only. The entrance/exit of the car park **MUST** remain clear at **ALL TIMES**.

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 **£26,151.02**. 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 **£450** 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 **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.

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.

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 July 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

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Proverbs 8:22-31 – Before the earth came into being, Wisdom was born

Psalm Response – *How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth!*

Romans 5:1-5 – The love of God has been poured into our hearts

John 16:12-15 – The Spirit of truth will lead you to the complete truth.

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASSES

SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Genesis 14:18-20 – Melchizedek brought bread and wine

Psalm Response – *You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old*

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 – Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord

Luke 9:11-17 – The feeding of the five thousand.

PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 12th June at 4pm in the church.

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS

St Anthony's novena **from 4th June – 12th June at 7pm**, in the Church. All are welcome.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:

Wednesday 15th June 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 or/contact Sam (+447450355567) or Graham (+447908287917) for the link and/or other enquiries.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

04TH/05TH June 2022

Envelopes: £1,663.00

Loose: £3,729.21

TOTAL: £5,392.21

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.

MISSION APPEAL BY THE SPIRITANS

We welcome Fr Mike Ezenwammadu, CSSp. (Parish Priest of St Mary Magdalene Catholic Church Brockley, Southwark Archdiocese), who will undertake the approved Spiritan Mission Appeal in our parish this weekend. The Spiritan Mission Appeal Envelopes are available in the Church. Please collect an envelope as you exit the church, enclose your donation in it, and return it next weekend if you are not prepared to make your donation today. **If you are a UK taxpayer, please complete the Gift Aid Declaration section on the Mission Appeal Envelope.** It will assist the Spiritans to get additional 25 per cent of your donation from Her Majesty Revenue Office. Let us remember that the Spiritans are serving our parish, and we should support the Mission Appeal of their Religious Congregation. We count on your generosity to make this Mission Appeal a remarkable success. God bless you.

COMMISSIONING OF NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

There will be commissioning of all the candidates, who have completed their training as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, during the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, on Sunday 19th June 2022 at 12noon Mass.

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.