

# SS MICHAEL AND MARTIN



Roman Catholic Parish of Hounslow  
Archdiocese of Westminster

*This Parish is served by the Spiritans*

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### 4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

18<sup>th</sup> December 2022

#### A MISSIONARY -VISION OF CHRISTMAS

This year the Church commemorates the foundation, 400 years ago, of the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith, better known by the Latin name of Propaganda Fide – today the Dicastery for the Evangelization of Peoples. In November, a three-day international conference was held in Rome to examine the centuries-old history of this Congregation, its missionary mandate in new territories, and its global impact today.

The approach and vision of Libermann (2nd Founder of the CSSp) have been a precious treasure that has concretely inspired the work of the Congregation and Propaganda Fide. We rejoice and thank God this Christmas season for the fruit of this beautiful work, of the establishment of the local Churches. With the establishment of the local Churches, a new missionary era opened before the missionary congregations. We have moved from the era of planting the local church to the phase of consolidation and collaboration.

The vision of mission that inspired the great missionary movement of the 19th century is now far behind us. The missionary movement “from Europe to the rest of the world” has evolved into a global mission on all continents; all continents are both territories of departure and reception of missionaries.

The Holy Spirit today calls for new things; better still, he is already arousing them with his creativity, calling each of us to enter a new missionary phase amid the turmoil of a world writhing in the sufferings of a painful and unexpected birth. May the Lord who comes among us at Christmas give us the grace to welcome new calls outside the box in this new missionary era upon us.

(Excerpt from 2022 Christmas of Fr Alain Mayama CSSp, Superior General of the Spiritans).

#### SUNDAY MASSES

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

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon – Sat 9am;  
Mon –Thu 6pm;  
Fri 7pm

#### CONFESSIONS

Please refer to  
Christmas schedule

#### 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 Daniel Adayi, CSSp.

[danieladayi@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:danieladayi@rcdow.org.uk) (*Day off: Mon*)

**1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Priest:** Fr David Atuanya, CSSp.

[davidatuanya@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:davidatuanya@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) (*Day off: Thurs*)

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DIRECTLY FOR AN APPOINTMENT**

**Tel: (020) 8570 1693**

**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 Čížmárik

[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) (Incident  
Report)

## **PARISH NOTICES**

### **CHURCH CAR PARK ACCESS**

Please note the Church car park will **NOT** be in use from the 23<sup>rd</sup> December till the 2<sup>nd</sup> January. There will be a marquee in the Church car park to support the large crowd expected for Christmas and New Year Masses. The school car park will be open for cars to park, and entry and exit will be via St Mark's school car park.

### **DAY OF PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

The usual morning Mass on Saturday 31st December at 9 am will be followed by a Day of Prayer ending with Benediction at 5.30 pm. The list is now available in the porch area of the Church to add your names for watching the Blessed Sacrament.

### **MASS DIARY 2023**

The parish Mass diary for 2023 is now open! Please note that **only TWO INTENTIONS per person** will be taken, this is due to the large number of parishioners we have and to ensure we are fair to all our parishioners. Any additional requests for Mass intentions will be sent to other Spiritans Churches and will be celebrated as intended. Kindly note that the **stipend** per Mass intention is a **minimum of £10** (Diocesan Guidelines). **Cash or online transfer, NO CARD PAYMENT can make payment.**

**Bookings will be taken on the following dates for December 2022:**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

### **CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME CARDS**

Our December/Christmas Season programme card is out. On the cards, you will find the schedule of Masses for the season and the timetable for Christmas confessions. We have arranged for visiting priests, including the Goan Chaplain, to come for the admissions on three of the five days. There is also a session for children and young adults. Confessions will begin on Monday 19th, and end on Friday, December 23.

### **CHRISTMAS HAMPERS DONATION**

During Advent, we prepare Christmas Hampers to assist families in need during the festive season. This kind gesture relieves families who rely on us to make their Christmas celebrations happy. We appeal to everyone to kindly donate some food items to needy families. There is a container placed at the Mother Mary Chapel for your donations. Please do not bring perishable food items. Thank you very much for your anticipated kindness and generosity.

### **PARISH HALL RENOVATION UPDATE**

The work on the Parish Hall is still uncompleted, but we have asked the Contractor to suspend further work until after the Christmas Festivities. So, the work on the painting or plastering of the wall will recommence in January. We have to pause at this point so that the hall will be available for Christmas preparations and the Nativity Masses that are usually heavily attended. Please, contact Senorita, the Hall manager, for availability.

### **MARRIAGE PAPERWORK PROCESS**

You must give 6 MONTHS' NOTICE of MARRIAGE – whether it is happening 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 there is no last-minute rush. Marriage Preparation Courses are NOT offered EVERY MONTH. All couples who want to do their marriage paperwork in the parish **should contact** either Fr Daniel Adayi, CSSp, or Fr Damian-Mary Moneke, CSSp, via email. Thank you for your understanding and anticipated cooperation.

### **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 on time. **The new Mass Attendance Card (Yellow Colour) (Sept 2022- Jun 2023) is for only children in Year 5 and below.**

The Priest will request this Card 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.

## CCP SIGNING

Parents are advised to come to the Parish office during the hours between 10 am-12 noon, either on **Tuesdays or Thursdays** for the signing of the CCP. Please ensure you have your Mass attendance card from the previous year. If you are new to the parish, bring a letter from your PREVIOUS parish confirming your attendance. No appointments are required!

## REGULAR NOTICES

### HOW TO REGISTER IN THIS PARISH?

The first thing to do is to complete the **PARISH REGISTRATION FORM (GREEN FORM)** available in the parish office and the porch area of the church. Thereafter, you are requested to slip the completed parish registration form into the **MAILBOX in the Presbytery door**. Please allow at least two weeks for the Parish Registration forms to be processed. To obtain your family ID number, please email the parish office at [hounslow@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:hounslow@rcdow.org.uk), providing your full name and date of birth. If you are a visitor or worship with us for the first time, you are welcome to our parish family. We welcome all new parishioners to St Michael and St Martin Catholic Church Hounslow. We want you to feel at home in the parish.

### PLANNED GIVING 2022-2023

Planned Giving Boxes for 2022/2023 are 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.

## 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.

### CONFIRMATION 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 Mass Attendance Cards for Confirmation is (Red Colour), (Sept 2022- Jun 2023)** those who need new cards or need replacements, must contact the Catechist directly. Stickers will be given when you ENTER THE CHURCH BEFORE MASS BEGINS.

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### BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

Parents of infants 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 January 2023. Read the Baptism webpage for requirements & other details.

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MASS

Children's Christmas Mass will be at 6 pm on Sat, 24th Dec (Christmas Eve). The Gospel will be enacted by the children preparing to receive Holy Communion this year.

## TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASSES

### **4th Sunday of Advent**

Isaiah 7:10-14 – The maiden is with child

***Psalm Response*** – *Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.*

**Romans 1:1-7:** Our apostolic mission is to preach the obedience of faith to all pagan nations

**Matthew 1:18-24:** How Jesus Christ came to be born

## NEXT SUNDAY'S MASSES

### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

**Isaiah 52:7-10** – Rejoice, for the Lord is consoling his people

***Psalm Response*** – *All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.*

**Hebrews 1:1-6** – God has spoken to us through his Son

**John 1:1-18** – The Word was made flesh, and lived among us

## PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

### **GOAN CHAPLAIN MASS**

Sunday 18th December at 4pm in the church.

### **ST ANTHONY NOVENAS**

St Anthony's Novena **20th December in the Parish Centre at 7 pm.**

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

Will resume on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

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

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

Every Thursday from 5pm in the church.

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

weekend: 2nd & 4th Saturday at 10am in the church.

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

**PRAYER GROUP** online prayer meeting/fellowship every Friday evening.

Email: [livingwordccr@gmail.com](mailto:livingwordccr@gmail.com) or/contact Sam (+447450355567) or graham (+447908287917) for the link and/or other enquiries.

### **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 joy, the peace and healing of your presence. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**17<sup>th</sup>/18th December 2022**

Envelopes: £1,515.65

Loose: £2,868.40

**TOTAL: £4,384.05**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

## IN YOUR PRAYERS - REMEMBER

**OUR SICK:** Steve, Sandra, Flavia D'Sa and Carson Javier Dabasia and Amy Burns, Caroline Cheand, Terry Lynch and Igor Sitarska.

**DECEASED:** Charles Bryne, Cresencia Cortez, Francisco D'Souza, Antonio Dias Maria De Jesus Laporte, Savina Rodrigues, John Norris, Villa Furtado, Delicia Rose, Maxine Ferguson, Philomena Banger De Souza, Rita Atuanya & Sarah Patricia Trollope.

## **YOUTH MASS**

Youth Mass will take place on Sunday 18th December at 6 pm, not on Christmas Day 25th December! SPECIAL EVENT – WATCH WORLD CUP FINAL! Join us to watch the World Cup Final in the parish centre at 3PM before Youth Mass. Please register using the link below:

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/hounslow/parish-groups/youth-mass-club/>.

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

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## **INDUCTION MASS OF FR DANIEL ADAYI, CSSP**

The Induction ceremony of Fr Daniel Adayi CSSp as the Parish Priest of St Michael and Martin Church, Hounslow, has been scheduled for Sunday, February 5, 2023, at 6.00 pm Mass.