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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

16th July 2023

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION WITH REVERENCE (6)

THOUGHTS OF ATHANASIUS SCHNEIDER

Holy Communion is when the faithful find on this earth their Lord in the Most concrete and closest manner possible. It is, therefore, the most sacred moment, the most moving, the most solemn, the most special of all the situations that can happen in life. If we recognize in Christ, hidden under the veil of the Eucharistic species, His true divinity, in which “in him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily”, we cannot but kneel before His Person, following the example of the women on Easter morning (Mt 28:9), the Apostle before Christ’s Ascension (Lk 24:52), of the saints and Angels in heaven before the immolated Body of the Lamb (Apo. 4:10; 7:11). The manner of receiving the most sacred Body of Christ directly on the tongue without touching Him with our fingers is, from the point of view of human language, the more sacred gesture, since touching food with one’s fingers and placing it oneself in the mouth, strongly resembles the common and profane manner of eating. The practice of receiving Communion directly in the hand undeniably exposes the Body Christ – as is proven by the facts established in newspapers around the world - to a considerable loss of Eucharistic fragments to being walked upon and also facilitates the theft of sacred hosts. Can we remain indifferent any longer to these facts? For a soul who truly loves the Lord, should not these facts appear truly horrible? Why not return to the safer, more sacred manner, practiced for more than a millennium of receiving the Body and Blood of Christ on the tongue, thus avoiding the scattering and significantly reducing cases of theft of sacred hosts?

- from the preface to the book Holy Communion by Juan Rodolfo Laise

SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon – Sat 9am
Mon -- Thu 6pm
Fri 7pm

CONFESSIONS

Friday 6pm –
6:30pm
Saturday 9:30am –
10:15am &
4:30pm – 5:15pm

PARISH ROSARY

Mon – Fri at
8:15am

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

Saturday 4.30-
5.30pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY – THURSDAY 9:30AM – 1PM (FRIDAY THE OFFICE IS CLOSED)

Parish Priest: Fr Daniel Adayi, CSSp.

danieladayi@rcdow.org.uk (Day off: Mon)

1st Assistant Priest: Fr David Atuanya, CSSp.

davidatuanya@rcdow.org.uk (Day off: Wed)

2nd Assistant Priest & Chaplain at Heathrow

Airport: Fr Damian-Mary Moneke, CSSp.

damianmoneke@rcdow.org.uk (on leave)

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

Parish Administrator: Priya Joseph

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Parish Catechist: Lionel Pereira

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Youth Worker: Ivan Čižmárik

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(BOOKINGS TAKEN BY PHONE MON, THURS,
FRI 7.00-8.30AM TUES/WED 4.00-5.00PM, OR BY EMAIL)

Parish Safeguarding Representatives:

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Harvey)

PARISH NOTICES

PRIESTS' MOVEMENTS THIS SUMMER- OUR NEW PRIESTS

The Provincial administration of the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) UK has assigned Fr Terkura Igbe, CSSp and Fr Quy Quan Nguyen, CSSp to our parish from September 2023. Fr Nguyen is expected here at the end of July while Fr Igbe will join the team in the first week of September.

PRIESTS' MOVEMENTS THIS SUMMER – ENVELOPE FOR FR DAVID

In anticipation of Fr David and Fr Damian's departure, there are Farewell Gifts envelopes for Fr David. Kindly collect for yourselves and for relatives and friends who may come for any Mass this weekend. You can return the envelopes to the parish office door (mailbox), the post office box on the left side of the church as you approach the main doors, or give them directly to Fr David. Kindly do this no later than the end of July. The farewell envelopes for Fr Damian will be available in August when he returns from his leave.

2023 SEA SUNDAY COLLECTION

We realized the sum of £1,089.18 from the Sea Sunday Collection last weekend. Thank you for your generous support.

MISSION APPEAL BY COMBONI MISSIONARY SISTERS

The Comboni Missionary Sisters will come to our parish next weekend on their annual mission appeal. Kindly support them!

UCM COFFEE MORNING

Sunday 16th July after 9am & 10:30am Mass in the Parish Centre.

ST MARK'S END OF YEAR MASSES

On Friday, **21st July** St Mark's Catholic School will celebrate End of Year Masses at 9.15am and 11.15am. **Parish morning Mass will be at 8:00am on that day.**

GHANIAN COMMUNITY SUMMER FAMILY BREAK TO DISNEYLAND PARIS

We would like to extend our invitation to the Church Community. Give us a call if interested for

full details. For family and friends 14th – 17th August 2023. Contact Gina: 07915378952 Or Connie: 07949705385.

LECTORS' PLENARY ASSEMBLY

The Assembly and the election will hold on July 29 at 10.30 am in the Church after the Mass.

RENOVATION OF THE SACRISTY

Renovation work on the Sacristy is still on. Please keep away except for essential duties!

MEETING OF LITURGICAL GROUP LEADERS

The Leaders of the Liturgical groups (Choirs, Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, Sacristans, and Eucharistic Ministers) will meet on July 22 at 10 am at the Presbytery.

PRESENTATION OF OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPS (PSRS)

Our parish has four safeguarding representatives because of the size of the community. Do you know them? They will be presented to the parishioners on 22/23 July during the Masses!

DECISIONS OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (July 11)

Farewell celebration for Fr David and Fr Damian on Saturday, 19 August 2023 beginning with the evening Mass.

Reconstitution of the Pastoral Council

- Six new members to join the Council and work with the current members until January
- New members will be received into the council in January
- Vice Chair and Secretary will remain in the Council as *ex officio*.

The new members of the Council and the date of their inauguration will be announced in due course!

UPDATE ON THE PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE – NEW MEMBERS

Aries Fernandes

Melvitta Farrao

Jennifer Asekhauno

Martin Nicholl

We are grateful to them for accepting to serve the parish in this capacity. The date of their inauguration will be announced later!

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**, 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.

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 David Atuanya CSS via email (contact details available on page 1). Please note, Fr Damian-Mary is currently on annual leave.

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION ON PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES:

Type parish.rcdow.org/Hounslow in your browser. Then navigate to PARISH WEBSITE → PARISH LIFE → SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION; it has general information on the various programmes. The next place to check is the Parish Newsletter. If the information you seek is not found on either of these then email the Parish Catechist Lionel Pereira on hounslowcat@rcdow.org.uk. Please reserve phone calls for urgent matters.

REGISTRATION FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Information will be released next week!

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 September 2023. Read the Baptism webpage for requirements & other details.

CONFIRMATION

The Thanksgiving Mass for the children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this year will be held on Sun, 23rd July at 6:00pm. The Parish Youth Mass will be moved to this date & time. Please keep our confirmed in your prayers.

REGISTRATION FOR 2023-24 SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMMES

Began on Sunday 25th June 2023. Registration forms for Walk With Me, First Holy Communion & Confirmation are available on the parish website on that date. Registration will remain open until 30th July, or until all available places are filled, whichever comes first.

BIBLE STUDY COURSE –

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS IS ON!

The five-week session course holds on Wednesdays in the Parish Centre. The participants can attend the sessions after 9 am or 6 pm Mass. All are welcome!

WORLD GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY DAY 2023

All grandparents, elderly and young people, especially those who go to celebrate World Youth Day in Lisbon, are invited to come over to the Parish Centre on **Sunday 23rd July after 12pm** Mass to enjoy some time together with music, games, and refreshments! If you would like to write a simple message of appreciation for the Elderly in our parish or your Grandparents or know more about the event, please contact Ivan.

JULY YOUTH MASS & YOUTH CLUB

July Youth Mass will take place on Sunday **23rd July at 6pm** followed by snacks and games in the Parish centre. All youth are welcome!

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 55:10-11 – The world that goes out from my mouth does not return to me empty

Psalms Response – *Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop*

Romans 8:18-23 – The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons

Matthew 13:1-23 – A sower went out to sow

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Wisdom 12:13,16-29 – You will grant repentance after sin

Psalms Response – *O Lord, you are good and forgiving*

Romans 8:26-27 – The Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words

Matthew 13:24-43 – Let them both grow till the harvest

PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 16th July at 4pm

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 6th Aug at 3pm

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 13th Aug at 4pm

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS

Tuesdays at 7pm.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays at 5:15pm.

CHURCH CLEANING

Thursdays after 9am Mass. Thank you

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Thursdays from 5pm.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

First Friday of each month at 3pm

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP) MEETINGS

Weekend: 2nd & 4th Saturday at 10am in the presbytery.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

8th/9th July 2023

Envelopes: £2,170.19

Loose: £4,279.58

TOTAL: £6,449.77

Thank you for your generosity.

IN YOUR PRAYERS – REMEMBER

OUR SICK: Peter Newton, Marie Lynch, Hubert Teles, Andrew Logadasan, Steve, Sandra, Carson Javier Dabasia, Amy & Denzil Burns, Terry Lynch, Igor Sitarska, and Don Lynch.

DECEASED: Baby Nyssa, Roque Antonio Wellington Vaz, Edwin Rodrigues, Emmanuel Dankyi, Maria Viegas, Gina Coreixas (Mazzaschi), Lewis Barallon, Malcolm Rose, John Lynch, Edward Connelly, Sarah Patricia Trollope and Charles Bryne.

LIVING WORD CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL PRAYER GROUP

Invites parishioners to our weekly prayer meeting/fellowship every Friday evening in the Parish Centre. Time: 7pm - 9pm. All are welcome. Email us at livingwordccr@gmail.com; contact Sam +447450355567), Graham (+447908287917) for other enquiries.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS (UCM) MEETING

2nd Tuesday of the month at 9.30am Parish Centre and Rosary on 4th Tuesday of the month in the evening at 7pm in the Parish Centre.

NEWCOMERS WELCOME SUNDAYS/ COFFEE MORNINGS: UPDATE ON HOSTING SOCIETIES

Hosts Societies are UCM (June & July) and Catechists (September), Sports & Cultural Team (SCS) in (October) and Parish Youth Group (August), CAFOD (November) & Goa Chaplaincy (December).

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.