

PARISH NOTICES

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER NON-RESIDENTIAL ENRICHMENT WEEKEND FOR COUPLES:

30th Sept & 1st Oct at St. George's Parish Centre – Sudbury. (Saturday 9am to Sunday 5.00pm). This is a great opportunity as a couple to affirm, enrich and explore your unique relationship (NB: There is no group sharing). For more information go to: <https://wwme.org.uk/book-a-weekend/>

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

The 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is on Sunday 24th September. Pope Francis has chosen as this year's theme, 'Free to choose whether to migrate or stay', and the full text of the Pope's message can be found here:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/pope-francis-message-for-the-world-day-of-migrants-and-refugees/>

OCTOBER MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Let us remember to pray our daily Rosary especially during the month of October, which is especially dedicated to drawing our attention to the powerful intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary. We are encouraged to invoke the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, through the Rosary, for divine intervention in our lives.

FAREWELL ENVELOPES FR DANIEL ADAYI, CSSP

Farewell envelopes for Fr Daniel are still available at the back of the Church.

RETURN OF ENVELOPES FOR FR DANIEL

Parishioners are requested to please a corrigendum on last weekend's information on the return of the farewell envelopes. Please kindly return the envelopes to the Parish office or drop them in the collection boxes. The envelopes will be counted by the counting team and the total amount will be released in next weekend's newsletter and a cheque will be written out to Fr Daniel.

MASS HEADCOUNT

The yearly Mass Headcount will take place in the Church during all the weekend Masses from this weekend, as directed by the Diocese.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS GENERAL MEETING (UCM)

Please kindly note the next general meeting of UCM will be held on Tuesday 26th September at 7pm in the Parish Centre.

29TH SEPT FRIDAY FEAST OF ARCHANGELS SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL

To celebrate the feast of one of our Parish Patron Saints, St Michael, there will be two Masses on Friday 29th September 2023 9am and 6pm.

PARISH FELLOWSHIP WITH FR EDATTU VC

Fr Edattu, the Director of the Divine Retreat Centre, UK will be in our parish for a weekend fellowship on Saturday, 30th September from 8-10pm.

LIVE STREAMING SYSTEM IS READY

The Livestreaming system installation is now complete and ready for use. It will be available for the streaming of some of our weekend Masses, for Funerals and for wedding Masses. Livestreamed Masses can also be recorded and kept. Contact the Parish Office if you wish to livestream a funeral or wedding celebration. Link to YouTube Account:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOQzcJ9b0grzoLwx49cpdpg>. The link will be activated as soon as possible.

MASS ATTENDANCE CARDS AND STICKERS

Please note the distribution of Mass attendance cards and stickers has begun. 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 (Pink Colour) (Sept 2023- Jun 2024) 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.

PLANNED GIVING BOXES 2023/2024

Kindly note, boxes which were not collected for 2023/2024 is now closed. Please note that you can set up a Standing order via your bank. Complete the Standing Order form (available in the Church porch area) or use contactless machines in the Church. Thank you for your generosity.

MASS DIARY 2023

There are now very few dates available for December **ONLY**. If you wish to book intention(s), it will be forwarded to other Spiritan Churches for the month(s) intended. Please email your intention(s) to the Parish Office and NOT the Priests. Kindly note that **the Mass Diary for 2024 has NOT yet been released so no Mass intentions will be accepted just yet!** Further announcements will be made in due course.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE OF PRACTICE (CCP) SIGNING

- **Tuesdays or Thursdays** (10am – 12noon). 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 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, 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 and Fr Damian-Mary Moneke, CSSp (contact details are available on page 1).

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 programs. 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.

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

REGISTRATION FOR 2023-24 SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMMES

Registration for 2023-2024 Sacramental preparation programs began on Sunday 25th June 2023 and ended on 30th July 2023. We are now unable to accept any more candidates for this year.

‘When our will is one with God’s will, then nothing can happen to us except what God wills, thus, we will never be disappointed.’

Fulton J Sheen

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 55:6-9 – My thoughts are not your thoughts

Psalms Response – *The Lord is close to all who call him*

Philippians 1:20-24,27 - Life to me is Christ, but death would bring me more

Matthew 20:1-16 – Why be envious because I am generous?

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Ezekiel 18:25-28 – When the sinner renounces sin, he shall certainly live

Psalms Response – *Remember your mercy, O Lord*

Philippians 2:1-11 – Be united in your love

Matthew 21:28-32 – Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you

PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 01st Oct at 3pm

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 8th Oct at 4pm

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 15th 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

16th/17th Sept 2023

Envelopes: £1,825.65

Loose: £4,285.06

TOTAL: £6,110.71

Standing order/online August: £3,820.00

May God bless your generosity!

IN YOUR PRAYERS – REMEMBER

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

DECEASED: Agapito Fernandes, Remy Vaz, Marie Lynch, Baby Nyssa, Roque Antonio Wellington Vaz, Edwin Rodrigues, Emmanuel Dankyi, Maria Viegas, Gina Coreixas (Mazzaschi), Lewis Barallon, Malcolm Rose and John Lynch.

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

Sports & Cultural Team (SCS) in (October), CAFOD (November) & Goan 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.