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Roman Catholic Parish of Hounslow
Archdiocese of Westminster

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

26th November 2023

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Plenary indulgence - A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to any of the faithful who (1) on one of the days 1-8 November visit devoutly a cemetery or simply pray mentally for the dead; (2) on All Souls' Day visit a church or chapel with devotion and there recite the Our Father and the Creed.

A partial indulgence, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to any of the faithful who (1) visit devoutly Lauds or Vespers of the Office of the Dead, or the invocation 'Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord'

Book of Remembrance: Throughout November there will be a book in the Church for parishioners to write the names of their deceased relatives/friends.

ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS

Please we kindly requests all volunteers to attend a meeting with Parish clergy on Wednesday 6th December at 7pm in the Church to present the new volunteers policy. All volunteers are endeavoured to attend.

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 Damian-Mary Moneke, CSSp.
damianmoneke@rcdow.org.uk (Day off: Mon)

1st Assistant Priest: Fr Ignatius Nguyen Quy Quan,
CSSp

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

2nd Assistant Priest & Chaplain at Heathrow

Airport: Fr Terkura Igbe, CSSp.

terkuraigbe@rcdow.org.uk (Day off: Thurs)

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

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
senoritaevans@rcdow.org.uk – (07542 531 956)
(BOOKINGS TAKEN BY PHONE MON, THURS,
FRI 7.00-8.30AM TUES/WED 4.00-5.00PM, OR BY EMAIL)

Parish Safeguarding Representatives:
hounslowsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk (Lorna – Admin)
hounslowsg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk (Chinyere)
hounslowsg2@safeguardrcdow.org.uk (Areis)
hounslowsg3@safeguardrcdow.org.uk (Mary Pierre-Harvey)

PARISH NOTICES

ADMISSION IN A HOSPITAL

If you are admitted to any hospital (or a family member), and desires to receive Holy Communion or Sacrament of Anointing, kindly inform the staff there to call a Priest on duty for you. You have to notify them by telling them that you are a Roman Catholic. There is a Priest on duty every day in any hospital. For those going to West Middlesex Hospital, all the parishes in Hounslow Deanery take turns to respond to hospital calls on daily basis. **St Michael and St Martin Church Hounslow covers West Middlesex Hospital every Thursday from 6am to Friday 6am.** However, should any sick parishioners require a priest, please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

NEWCOMERS WELCOME SUNDAYS/COFFEE MORNINGS: CALL FOR SOCIETIES HOST

The third Saturday of each month is the Parish Coffee/Tea Morning, which occurs after 9am and 10.30am Masses in the Parish Centre. To this, we have added the welcoming of those who are new to the Parish since the preceding month. Societies or groups hosting the Morning will host the new and old members at the center and make leaflets with parish information available to the new members.

Societies are hereby called upon to indicate which month(s), between January and December, they wish to anchor the Coffee/Tea Mornings. The Parish Office will give the hosting groups all the supports they need with refreshments and information materials. To book a place, please email hounslow@rcdow.org.uk.

CONTACTLESS GIVING MACHINE

The Diocese of Westminster is encouraging every parish to buy and install Contactless Giving device(s) in the church. This digital form of making offerings and donations in the church has many benefits. Since we have two existing machines in the Church, and it has proved to be made good use of by our parishioners. Subsequently, our parish has purchased three digital contactless devices which two have been wall mounted and one machine in the Choir loft. In total we now have five machines in the Church. We are immensely grateful for your generosity and kindness.

WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY MASS - NOVEMBER 26TH AT 6PM - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Dear young people, Pope Francis asked the global Catholic community to celebrate Youth Sunday locally on the **Solemnity of Christ the King**, 26th of Nov 23. It is a day to celebrate the role of young people in the Church, to pray for and encourage young people to deepen their relationship with Jesus and explore various opportunities within the Church. All young people are invited to attend World Youth Sunday Mass 26th November at 6pm. We are planning to mark this solemnity in a special way and **asking** young people from different groups in our parish to participate in the **Offertory procession**. We would love to hear from you! Please contact Ivan (ivancizmarik@rcdow.org.uk) to **confirm** your participation in the Offertory procession.

ADVENT SUMMIT (YOUTH)

This Advent all young people in the diocese are invited to join **Westminster Youth Ministry on Saturday 2nd December from 2pm to 5pm**. This afternoon of prayer and adoration will be themed around 'the dwelling place' with speakers including Cardinal Vincent Nichols and Emmanuelle McFarlane-Barrow. Confessions will be available throughout. The event will take place at Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Queensway. For more information see the attached poster or email youth@rcdow.org.uk if you are interested in bringing a group. You can sign up at <https://youth.rcdow.org.uk/events/advent-summit-2/>

MEETING WITH ST VINCENT DE PAUL TEAM (SVP)

Fr Ignatius will meet with the SVP team on Saturday 2nd December at 10:30am in the Church.

MEETING WITH SPORTS AND CULTURAL SOCIETY TEAM (S.C.S)

Fr Ignatius will meet with the S.C.S team on Monday 4th December at 7pm in the Church.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP) ADVENT CALENDAR

The St Vincent de Paul (SVP) Team have prepared the SVP Advent calendar that gives a suggestion for items to be donated to our SVP foodbank for each day leading to Christmas. This initiative has been successful in previous years, helping us collect

essential food items for families while minimising food waste. Kindly see the poster in the Porch area. Thank you for your continued support of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS (UCM)

Saturday 2nd December Senior Citizens party from 12.00pm in the Parish Centre. Anyone interested Please call Mary Wardle on 02085726814. Or Elizabeth Baptiste on 02085728899. Closing date for applications 26th November 2023.

IMPORTANT REMINDER – THE TOILETS

The Church toilets are open only during Mass times when we have volunteers to assist with their use. While the toilet at the main entrance of the Church is for both males and females, **the toilet by the side of Our Lady's Chapel, inside the church is for females only.** Please avail yourself of other public toilets when our toilets are closed.

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 (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.

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.

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!

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** 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 January 2024. Read the Baptism webpage for requirements & other details.

2023-24 SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMMES

This year we have approx. 140 candidates preparing for the First Holy Communion and another approx. 140 candidates preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This year we also have 6 catechumen discerning joining the Catholic Church and 9 Catholic adults preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them all in your prayers.

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

CHRIST THE KING

Ezekiel 34:11-12,15 -17 – The Lord will judge between sheep and sheep

Psalms Response – *The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want*

1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28 – Christ will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all

Matthew 25:31-46 – I was naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

1st Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8 – O that you would tear the heavens open and come down

Psalms Response – *God of hosts, bring us back, let your face shine on us and we shall be saved*

1 Corinthians 1:3-9 – We are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed

Mark 13:33-37 – If he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep

PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 03rd December at 3pm

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 10th December 4pm

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 17th December at 4pm

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS

Tuesdays at 7pm.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays at 5pm.

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

18th/19th Nov 2023

Envelopes: £1,646.49

Loose: £4,002.82

TOTAL: £5,649.31

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: 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.

PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

Parish Advent retreat will be on Saturday 2nd December at 4pm in the Church.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Fr Damian will have a meeting with the Parish Finance Committee on Saturday 2nd December at 10:30am in the Parish Office.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS (UCM)

Tuesday 28th November, at 7.00pm Rosary in the parish centre.

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.