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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th August 2024

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

There are four Marian Dogmas officially defined by the Roman Catholic Church namely, Mary Mother of God, Perpetual Virginity, Immaculate Conception and Assumption. These Dogmas reveal Mary's role and identity in our salvation history. In other words, they bring to light Mary's association with Jesus Christ our Saviour. Although they have no direct and express scriptural references, their root in the Sacred Scripture is not excluded. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated on the 15th of August every Year. On 1st November 1950, Pope Pius XII promulgated by the Apostolic Constitution "Munificentissimus Deus", the Assumption, as a dogma revealed by God that: "Mary the Immaculate, perpetually Virgin Mother of God, after the completion of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into the glory of Heaven". It pleased the Omnipotent God that the body of the Blessed Virgin Mary, like her Son Jesus Christ, would not suffer corruption (cf. Ps. 16: 10; Acts 13: 35). Therefore, Mary enjoys the beatific vision made possible by Jesus, not only in the soul, but also in body. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary testifies the bodily resurrection of the dead, which we look forward at the Lord's second coming (cf. 1 Cor. 15: 22-23; Mt. 27: 52-53). It is argued by theologians, that as Mary had an intimate share in Christ's battle against Satan and His victory over Satan and sin, she must also have participated intimately in his victory over death. So, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary flows from her divine maternity. God preserved from decay, the body of her who carried His Own Son, and gave birth to the world the Author of life. The Assumption is a grace to the world, and inaugurates the assumption of the humanity in God. Like Mary, we know that we bear in our body, which is the temple of the Holy Spirit, the germ of eternity. By implication, this solemnity reminds us of the sanctity and sacredness of the human body. It challenges us to keep our soul and body pure. We ask the Immaculate Virgin Mary, Mediatrix of all graces, to give the grace of divine purity. **Fr Damian-Mary Moneke, CSSp.**

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 – Sat at
8:15am

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

Saturday 4.30-
5.30pm

THE ANGELUS

Before every evening
Mass

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

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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)

MISSION STATEMENT

Building a united and peaceful family of Jesus Christ's disciples, where everyone is welcome, respected, have a sense of belonging, grow spiritually, feel free to participate and feel the need to contribute.

PARISH NOTICES

SPIRITANS' PROVINCIAL CHAPTER

We welcome back our Parish clergy from their Spiritans' Provincial Chapter in Chester. We congratulate Fr Ugo Ikwuka CSSp, who has been reelected as the Superior of the Spiritans of the British Province, for another mandate of four years, with effect from 1st September 2024. May the Holy Spirit accompany Fr Ugo on this path of leadership given to him.

SOLEMNITY OF ASSUMPTION

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary comes up on **Thursday, August 15. Masses will be 7.30am, 9.00am, 12noon and 6.00pm.**

FR IGNATIUS ON ANNUAL LEAVE

Fr Ignatius is starting his annual leave from the 13th August till 13th September. Please note he will not have access to his emails.

FR DAMIAN-MARY MONEKE, CSSP INDUCTION MASS

The induction Mass of Fr Damian-Mary Moneke CSSp, as the Parish Priest, will take place on **Saturday 07th September at 6:15pm Mass.** It will be officiated by Fr Gerard Quinn, the Episcopal Vicar & Dean of Hounslow Deanery, and followed by light refreshments.

HEALTH AND SAFETY TRAINING (USHERS)

The second session of the Health and Safety training will be on **Saturday 14th September 10am – 12noon for ALL the ushers.** The training will take place in the Church. All ushers are encouraged to attend this training which will be provided by the Diocese Health and Safety team.

PARISH MASS DIARY 2024

Parish Mass diary 2024 is fully booked. 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 2025 has NOT yet been released so no Mass intentions will be accepted just yet!** Further announcements will be made in due course.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

The annual Diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on Saturday 21st September 2024, led by Cardinal Vincent and the Auxiliary Bishops of the Archdiocese. For Registrations, please email hounslow@rcdow.org.uk. We need your **FULL NAME(S), CONTACT DETAILS AND NUMBER OF SEAT(S) REQUIRED.** The fee is £27 per person. To avoid any disappointment, please **ENSURE** the details mentioned are complete. Bookings will close on Monday 16th September 2024.

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.

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.

REGULAR NOTICES

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).

HOW TO REGISTER IN THIS PARISH?

The first thing to do is to complete the **PARISH REGISTRATION FORM (GREEN 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**. Please allow at least two weeks for the Parish Registration forms to be processed. 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.

PARISH MASS LIVE STREAMING

We would like to inform parishioners and volunteers that every Sunday 12noon Mass will be live streamed, including special occasion Masses. Please find the link - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOQzCj9b0grzoLwx49cpdpg> and channel name: [@SSMichaelandMartinRCChurchHoun](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOQzCj9b0grzoLwx49cpdpg). Kindly note: The Camera will be broadcasting only the Sanctuary.

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.

REGISTRATION FOR 2024-25 SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMMES - began on

Monday 17th June 2024. Online registration forms for Walk With Me, First Holy Communion & Confirmation are available on the parish website. Registration will remain open until Sun 28th July, or until all available places are filled, whichever comes first.

VOLUNTEER CATECHISTS & ASSISTANTS

The places available for each Sacramental preparation programme is dependent on the number of volunteer catechists available. One DBS-checked adult catechist is needed for every eight children to meet the child safeguarding regulations. Parents are encouraged to volunteer as catechists so that we can accept all applicants. If you wish to serve in the Lord's vineyard, are willing to give of your precious time, want to learn more about your faith and share it with others, then please send an email to hounslowcat@rcdow.org.uk. Prior experience is not necessary, training will be provided.

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. Please read the Baptism webpage for requirements & other details.

Online Giving/ Standing Order

To make your donation online, please visit:
<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/hounslow/donate/other-ways-to-give/>

Bank Transfer

To make a one-off donation please use the parish bank account details:

Account Name: **WRCDT Hounslow**

Sort Code: **40-05-20**

Account Number: **11095463**

Reference: **Surname and First Initial**

QR Code

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TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:4-8 – The angel gives Elijah food to reach the mountain of God

Psalm Response – *Taste and see that the Lord is good*

Ephesians 4:30-5:2 – Forgive each other as readily as God forgave you

John 6:41-51 – Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 9:1-6 – Wisdom builds her house and invites all to eat her bread there

Psalm Response – *Taste and see that the Lord is good*

Ephesians 5:15-20 – Be filled not with wine, but with the Spirit

John 6:51-58 – My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink

PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 11th August at 4pm

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 18th August at 4pm

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 01st September at 3pm

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS

Every Tuesday at 7pm.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesday at 5pm

CHURCH CLEANING

Thursdays after 9am Mass. Thank you

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

Thursday at 5pm

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

First Friday of each month at 3pm

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

03rd/04th August 2024

Loose: £4,478.68

Envelopes: £1,242.25

TOTAL: £5,720.93

Thank you very much for your generosity. May God continue to bless you as you support our parish

IN YOUR PRAYERS – REMEMBER

OUR SICK: Fr Derek McGuire, Jennita Aluan, Nizelle Soares, Peter Newton, Hubert Teles, Andrew Logadasan, Steve, Sandra, Carson Javier Dabasia, Amy & Denzil Burns, Terry Lynch, Igor Sitarska and Don Lynch.

DECEASED: Baby Angel Cardozo, Baby Perpetual Cardozo, Manuel Cardozo, Goldwyn Dias, Sean Feeney, Rosaria Castro, Remy Vaz, Marie Lynch, Baby Nyssa, Roque Antonio Wellington Vaz, Emmanuel Dankyi, Maria Viegas, Gina Coreixas (Mazzaschi).

FIRST FRIDAYS EXPOSITION

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on every first Friday of the month for adoration and silent prayers after the morning Mass and end at 5pm.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP) MEETINGS

Weekend: 2nd Saturday after the Foodbank at 12pm in the Parish Centre.

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.

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.