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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

12th January 2025

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

PARISH CENTRE USAGE NOTICE

All parishioners and parish centre users are to note that all parts of the Parish Centre are out of bounds when used for Sacramental Preparation programmes and events where minors are in the sole care of parish employees & authorised volunteers. This is a child-safeguarding requirement. Entry during these times is only via prior arrangement with the parish centre manager / parish priest. A calendar booking must be made with the parish centre manager, to use the parish centre or any part of it.

SPECIAL PARISH YOUTH GROUP MEETING

Join us on Sunday, January 12th at 12:00 noon in the Parish Centre for an inspiring session with Colette Joyce, Peace & Justice Co-ordinator. Learn how you can make a difference through justice and service. Open to all youth aged 11–18. Contact: ivancizmarik@rcdow.org.uk Don't miss out!

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

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)

Assistant Priest: Fr Ignatius Nguyen Quy Quan, CSSp

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

2nd Assistant Priest & Chaplain at Heathrow

Airport: Fr Jude Kurumeh, CSSp.

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

Parish Catechist: Lionel Pereira

hounslowcat@rcdow.org.uk

Youth Worker: Ivan Čížmárik

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)

PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL THE PRIEST DIRECTLY FOR AN APPOINTMENT

Parish Administrator: Priya Joseph

priyajoseph@rcdow.org.uk

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

NEWCOMERS WELCOME SUNDAYS/COFFEE MORNINGS: CALL FOR SOCIETIES HOST

Coffee morning will now take place on the first Sunday of each month and not the third Sunday. The Parish Coffee/Tea Morning, occurs after 9am and 10.30am Masses in the Parish Centre. Societies are hereby called upon to indicate which month(s), between February and December, they wish to anchor the Coffee/Tea Mornings. To book a place, please email hounslow@rcdow.org.uk and senoritaevans@rcdow.org.uk.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: PROJECTOR/SLIDES TEAM

Do you have a passion for improving worship services with technology? Our Parish is looking for committed volunteers to join our Projector/Slides Team. The team operates the projector during weekend masses and various events, enhancing the worship experience and supporting our church community. If you're interested in becoming a part of the Projector/Slides Team, we encourage you to reach out to Sam via text at 07450355567. We provide training to all our volunteers, so don't worry if you don't have any previous experience.

We appreciate your consideration of this opportunity to serve our community. Thank you!

YOUTH HOUNSLOW SUMMIT

Date: Friday 24th January, Time: 19:00-21:00, St Michael & St Martin Parish Centre & Church

Join us for an evening of games, refreshments, socialising, and ENCOUNTER with the Lord through testimony, prayer, Adoration, and Confession. All young people aged 13 to 17 are welcome to Come along! For more information contact Ivan,

E: ivancizmarik@rcdow.org.uk

GET INVOLVED WITH WESTMINSTER YOUTH MINISTRY IN CELEBRATING THE JUBILEE YEAR!

We have art and writing competitions in January and February, open to those in the following age categories: 11-14, 15-17, and 18-35. Youth leaders are also warmly invited to our retreat day in March, for a day of community, formation, encouragement and prayer. To find out more, head to youth.rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-year-2025.

COLLECTIONS CHRISTMAS DAY 2024 & NEW YEAR'S DAY 2025

Christmas day – Env - £2,391.60 & Loose - £13,885.49
New Year's Day - £9,259.85

CRIB OFFERING 2024 – THANK YOU

This Christmas we raised a total of £2,257.71. Our Crib Offering has been donated to the Catholic Children's Society to support their work with disadvantaged children and families. This will help provide mental health services, family support and emergency grants for vulnerable children in our Diocese. Thank you for your generosity.

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).

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 (Blue colour) (Sept 2024- Jun 2025) 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.

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

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.

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.

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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

In our parish is held once every two months. Parents are advised to register for the preparation course even before the delivery. Use the online form available on the Baptism page of the Parish website to sign up. Please read the Baptism webpage for requirements & other details.

RITE OF ENROLMENT MASSES

The First Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates of our parish, accompanied by their parents, sponsors & catechists, will profess their intention to prepare for and receive the Sacraments, on Sunday 26th Jan 2025. ***Please keep them in your prayers.***

The FHC Rite of Enrolment Mass is at 2:00pm and the Confirmation Rite of Enrolment Mass is at 6:00pm (January Youth Mass). **Parishioners regularly attending the Sunday 6:00pm Mass are requested to make note of the expected increase in numbers and attend a different Mass if possible.**

Leave a legacy

Please consider including our parish in your will or leaving a legacy for the parish. For further details please email us on hounslow@rcdow.org.uk

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

The Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 – 'Prepare the way of the Lord'.

Psalm Response – *Bless the Lord, O my soul! My God, how great you are!*

Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7 – 'He saved us by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit'.

Luke 3:15-16,21-22 – 'When Jesus had been baptised and was praying, the heavens were opened'.

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 62:1-5 – 'The Lord delights in you'

Psalm Response – *Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.*

1 Corinthians 12:4-11 – 'The one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.'

John 2:1-11- 'This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee.'

PARISH/PRAYER GROUP MEETINGS

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 12th January at 4pm

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 19th January at 4pm

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 02nd February at 3pm

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS

St Anthony Novenas every Tuesday 7pm in Church.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Novena will resume from 15th January.

CHURCH CLEANING

Thursdays after 9am Mass. Thank you

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS &

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Novena every Thursday 5pm in the Church

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

First Friday of each month at 3pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every 2nd Thursday of the month after evening Mass.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

04th/05th Jan 2025

Loose: £2,700.64

Envelopes: £964.08

TOTAL: £3,709.72

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

IN YOUR PRAYERS – REMEMBER

OUR SICK: Sybil Knox, Joaquim De Souza, Fr Derek McGuire, Jennita Aluan, Nizelle Soares, Peter Newton, Hubert Teles, Amy Burns, Steve, Sandra, Carson Javier Dabasia, Terry Lynch, Igor Sitarska and Don Lynch.

DECEASED: Carlos D'Silva, Mary Maher, Emma Noronha, Michael Duncan Duff, Denzil Burns, Clara Nazareth, Rosita Teresa De Silva, Baby Angel Cardozo, Baby Perpetual Cardozo, Manuel Cardozo, Goldwyn Dias, Sean Feeney, Rosaria Castro.

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.