



SS MICHAEL AND MARTIN

Roman Catholic Parish of Hounslow
Archdiocese of Westminster

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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4th Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

30th March 2025

INSTALLATION OF SOUND SYSTEM

The new Church sound system installation is currently ongoing and will continue until Friday 4th April. For this reason, please find adjusted timings for the Church below:

Monday 31st – Friday 4th April – Normal Church timings apply. However, work will continue in the Choir loft after the morning Mass. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

CCTV & TOILET REPAIR

- The installation of additional CCTV cameras to cover remaining blind spots of great security concerns has been completed.
- The change of the WC and other repair works in the toilet at the porch area of the church to address the health concerns of using it has been completed.
- Also, some pending repair works in the Parish Centre have also been completed.

ST MARK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL END OF TERM MASSES

The St Mark's Catholic School end of term Masses will take place in our church on **Friday 4th April, Years 7&8 at 9.15am Years 9&10 at 11.05am. Parish Mass will be at 8am on that day.**

HEALTH AND SAFETY TEAM MEETING

We kindly request all those who have generously indicated their willingness to serve the Parish as members of Parish Health and Safety team to attend a meeting on Thursday 3rd April at 7pm in the Church with the Parish Priest.

PARISH LITURGICAL GROUP LEADERS MEETING

Saturday 5th April at 10:30am in the Church with the Parish Priest, to discuss the Holy Week/Easter preparations.

British Summer Time - A reminder that the clocks go forward 1 hour at 1:00am on Sunday, 30th March.

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

2nd Assistant Priest & Chaplain at Heathrow

Airport: Fr Jude Kurumeh, CSSp.
judekurumeh@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)

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

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

CROSS/STATUE VEILING

The practice of veiling in purple or red cloth the cross, statues and images in the Church will be observed from next weekend. Crosses remain covered until the end of the celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, statues and images until the beginning of the Easter Vigil.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

We congratulate all the mothers as we celebrate you in a special way today. You gave birth to us, nursed us, sacrificed much for us. Your love, patience, kindness, support and sacrifices have made tremendous difference in our lives. Without you, life would have a different story for us. We love you and offer special prayers to God for you today. We wish you the very best in life. As a token of our appreciation and love, please collect a daffodil after Mass. **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

FR PAUL IBEKWE, CSSp

We welcome Fr Paul Ibekwe to our parish. He will be staying/working with us until he moves to his place of appointment.

EASTER FLOWERS COLLECTION

There will be a special collection this weekend, during all weekend Masses for our Easter flowers.

PARISH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Monday 7th April at 6:30pm in the Church. All parishioners are expected to be in attendance. We will be discussing about our proposed Church redecoration.

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!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The SVP Parish Foodbank is available on the following schedule:

When: Every 2nd Saturday of the month

Time: 10:30am to 12pm

Location: Church Car Park / Parish Centre

All safety guidelines are adhered to (Note: If you want to donate food then you can either do that during the above time slot or **before/after weekday/weekend masses in the Church**. Contact the number below for more information) SVP Contact: Jwela on 07824 067524 or email SVPHounslow@gmail.com

PARISH CHURCH REDECORATION AND CHANGE OF PARISH CHURCH SOUND SYSTEM

The total quote for the two projects is **£79,320.00 (including VAT)** from two contractors. We kindly appeal to parishioners and friends to collect the **BLUE ENVELOPE** as you leave the church, enclose your donation and return it to us. Alternatively, write a cheque to the parish, use QR code (Page 3) to donate online, make bank transfer or use contactless machines in the church. Please tick the box for the **CHURCH PROJECT**. If you are a UK tax payer, kindly complete the **Gift Aid Declaration Section**. It will enable the parish to get additional money from Her Majesty Revenue Office. We rely on the support of everyone for the completion of the Parish Church and change of the sound system. Thank you very much for your anticipated support. Since the announcement, we have received so far total donation of **£8,754.63** Thank you for your generosity. We thank those who have donated so far. God bless you.

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

The 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.

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.

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.

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

Scan on the QR code below to donate



*If you are a UK taxpayer, please Gift Aid your donation. The government will top up your gift by 25 percent, meaning a £20 offering becomes £25, at **NO** cost to you.*

**NO FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH
DURING LENTEN SEASON PLEASE.
THANK YOU**

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

4th Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12- The people of God entered the promised land and there kept the Passover.

Psalms Response – *Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 – ‘God who through Christ reconciled us to himself’.

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 – ‘Your brother was dead, and is alive’.

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

5th Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21 – ‘Behold, I am doing a new thing and I will give drink to my chosen people’.

Psalms Response – *What great deeds the Lord worked for us! Indeed, we were glad.*

Philippians 3:8-14 – ‘For the sake of Christ I have suffered the loss of all things, becoming like him in his death’.

John 8:1-11 – ‘Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her’.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

22nd/23rd Mar 2025

Loose: £4,423.83

Envelopes: £1,488.40

TOTAL: £5,912.23

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

NB: On average, it costs £50,000+ monthly to run our parish.

IN YOUR PRAYERS – REMEMBER

OUR SICK: Sarah Asher, 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: Fr Bernard Scholes, Sybil Knox, 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.

PARISH/PRAYER GROUP MEETINGS

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 06th April at 3pm

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 13th April at 4pm

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 20th April at 4pm

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS

Every Tuesday 7pm in the Church.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

On Wednesday at 5pm in the Church

CHURCH CLEANING

Thursdays after 9am Mass. Thank you

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

Every Thursday 5pm in the Church

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

First Friday of each month at 3pm

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.

GHANAIAN COMMUNITY- MEETING DAY

1st Sunday of every month after the 12.00 noon Mass 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.