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Archdiocese of Westminster

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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EASTER SUNDAY

20th April 2025

Culled from the Homily given by Cardinal Vincent Nichols on 15 April 2025 at Westminster Cathedral for the Chrism Mass

“...I take this opportunity of thanking you, each and every one of the priests ministering in this diocese. I thank you for your dedication and your resilience in the face of complexities and difficulties, your support for one another and your focused and generous service to those entrusted to you. And, I know that everyone here wants to support you with their love and prayers, as I do too.

Throughout this Holy Week, then, let us keep our eyes on Jesus as our sole Lord and Master. Without a deep, personal relationship with him, we are lost, left without the one true foundation, the one essential source of nourishment. This closeness to the Lord is about intimacy, standing open before the Lord, with a simple gaze, given and received, conveying our love for him and his unwavering love, his encouraging embrace, his flow of compassion and his restoring forgiveness. Unless this is in the heart of each one of us - and of you all, my sisters and brothers - the particular challenges that face us, in this time and place, will surely overwhelm us at some point. Jesus alone is our rock and our salvation. Today we all renew our dedication, and we ordained priests do so before you, sisters and brothers, as our witnesses”.

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 WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY 22ND APRIL

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
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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)
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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.

WORDS OF GRATITUDE

My beloved sisters and brothers, as we come to the end of our Lenten journey and enter into the joy of Easter, we thank the Almighty God for His grace, blessings, guidance and love which have made all things possible. Special thanks to my brother priests who have always assisted in providing the vision, direction and encouragement necessary for the pastoral work in our Parish, their dedication and commitment to the spiritual growth of our Parish is truly commendable. We recognise and appreciate the selfless service of the Parish Administrator, Priya Joseph, Bookkeeper, Juste, Catechist Lionel Pereira and the numerous Volunteer Catechists, Youth Coordinator – Ivan Cizmarik, Parish Centre Manager Seniorita Evans, Altar Servers, Parish Finance Committee, Parish Pastoral Council, Safeguarding team, St Vincent De Paul Team (SVP), Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors/Readers, Ushers/Stewards, Projector Slides Team, S.C.S (Sports and Cultural Society) Team, Church and Presbytery Cleaners, Flower Decorators, Money Counters/Bankers, Sacristans, Repository Manager and Assistants, (UCM), Prayer Groups, Ethnic Chaplaincies. Our appreciation also goes to Parish Choir groups' choristers who helped us participate actively in the re-enactment of our salvation mystery by their special liturgical hymns and melodious voices. Our gratitude extends to all those individuals who worked tirelessly behind the scenes; your works do not go unnoticed and the Good Lord who rewards every good work will surely reward you abundantly. To our beloved parishioners, your presence, active participation, generous moral and financial support which made the events of

the Holy Week truly worthwhile and possible, are highly appreciated. To my priest brothers, Fr Ignatius, Fr Jude and Fr Paul your generous and selfless services to the Parish is highly appreciated. May God continue to bless you all abundantly nonstop. May the risen Christ, dispel all forms of darkness and illumine our hearts and lives with the light of Victory, Amen.

Parish Priest

PARISH NOTICES

EASTER MONDAY – BANK HOLIDAY

Easter Monday, 21st April is a Bank Holiday. There will be only one Mass in the morning at 10am. The church doors and gate will open at 9am. There will be **NO evening Mass** on that day.

PARISH PRIEST ON ANNUAL LEAVE

Fr Damian will be on annual leave from Monday 21st April until Monday 5th of May. He will not have access to emails or phone calls. For any pastoral works please contact Fr Ignatius or Fr Paul.

MASS FOR THE SICK

On Tuesday, 22nd April at 12:30 PM, there will be an anointing of the sick during the Mass for Catholics who need it.

FAREWELL MASS OF FR. JUDE

On Sunday, 27th April, Fr Jude will celebrate his Farewell Mass at 6:00 PM. There will be tea/coffee and snacks in the Parish Centre after the mass. We wish Fr Jude all the best in his future ministries.

GRATITUDE

We thank a parishioner for donating £300 towards the redecoration of the Church. We are immensely grateful to those who have donated so far. Thank you to the Ghanaian Community for cleaning candle stands and other brass Liturgical objects.

PARISH CHURCH REDECORATION AND CHANGE OF PARISH CHURCH SOUND SYSEM

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 His 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 **£13,853.63**. Thank you for your generosity. We thank those who have donated so far. God bless you.

REGULAR NOTICES

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.

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.

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/UCSSMichaelandMartinRCChurchHoun). 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.*

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.

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 – 'We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead'.

Psalm Response – This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Colossians 3:1-4 – 'Seek the things that are above, where Christ is'.

Luke 24:1-12 – 'Why do you seek the living among the dead?'

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

Divine Mercy Sunday (2nd Sunday of Easter)

Acts 5:12-16 – 'More than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women'.

Psalm Response – *Give praise to the Lord for he is good, his mercy endures for ever.*

Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 – 'I died, and behold I am alive for evermore.'

John 20:19-31 – 'Eight days later, Jesus came'.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

12th/13th April 2025

Loose: £6,723.38

Envelopes: £1,407.28

TOTAL: £8,130.66

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

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 20th April at 4pm

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 04th May at 3pm

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 11th May 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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every 2nd Thursday of the month after evening Mass.

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.

UCM MEETINGS

2nd Tuesday of the month after 9am Mass and 4th Tuesday of the month after 6pm 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.