



SS MICHAEL AND MARTIN

Roman Catholic Parish of Hounslow
Archdiocese of Westminster

This Parish is served by the Spiritans

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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6th Sunday of Easter

25th May 2025

THE CHURCH REDECORATION

In view of our Church decoration, we have begun the drying of the Church walls (excluding weekends). For this reason, Church doors will open for morning Mass at 8:30am & reopen for evening Mass at 5:00pm. The church will be closed immediately after morning and evening Masses.

The parish Church will be undergoing major works which will be done in two phases, which are: drying of the walls and decoration. The redecoration will begin on the 16th of June. Please note that the Parish Centre will not be available for any bookings during weekends throughout the duration of the Church drying and redecoration.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Ascension of the Lord is a Holyday of obligation. The Vigil Mass will be on Wednesday 28th May 6pm. The Masses on Thursday 29th May 9am & 6pm.

MAY BANK HOLIDAY

Monday, 26th of May is a Bank Holiday. There will be only **ONE** Mass in the morning at 10am. The church doors and gate will open at 9:30am. There will be **NO** evening Mass on that day.

ANNUAL RETREAT

Fr Paul and Fr Ignatius will be attending their annual retreat from week commencing 26th May and will return on the 30th of May. They will not have access to their emails or calls.

PARISH CENTRE SETUP

Due to the ongoing works in the Church, we will be using the Parish Centre during the weekend Masses to accommodate space for Parishioners. We request anyone who are willing to help us setup the Parish Centre with chairs every Friday evening after 7pm Mass and help us put away the chairs after Sunday 6pm Mass. Your help is greatly appreciated.

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

REGINA CAELI

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: Monday)

Assistant Priest: Fr Ignatius Nguyen Quy Quan, CSSp

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

2nd Assistant Priest & Chaplain at Heathrow

Airport: Fr Paul Ibekwe, CSSp.

paulibekwe@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)

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

PENTECOST NOVENA/CELEBRATION 2025

The Parish Novena to the Holy Spirit for the Solemnity of Pentecost begins on Friday, May 30, and will end on Saturday, 07th June. The novena time is one hour before the evening Mass (except Saturday 31st May & 07th June which will begin at 4:30pm) and will last for 45 minutes. The Spiritans observe Pentecost as their patron feast and founding day. The Parish will celebrate the Pentecost on the 08th of June. There will be refreshments and entertainment after the 12noon Mass in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

MASS OF THE SICK

Due to the drying and redecoration of the Parish Church, for Health and Safety purposes our monthly Mass of the sick will be livestreamed. Our sick brothers and sisters need not to attend in person but are encouraged to follow via our livestreaming facility. Should they need anointing of the sick at home, please contact any of the Parish clergy. The usual in person attendance will resume after the redecoration of the Church.

13TH ANNUAL ST ANTHONY'S NOVENA AND FEAST

The nine days St Anthony's novena starts from Wednesday 4th June to Thursday 12th June. On weekdays (Monday to Thursday), the novenas will begin at 7pm in the Church, and on Friday and weekends it will be after the Friday 7pm, Saturday 6:15pm and Sunday 6pm Masses. Please note that this year's novenas will be shortened due to ongoing redecoration work within the church. Consequently, the church doors will close immediately after each novena. (Weekdays: Promptly by 7:45 PM and Fridays and Weekends: Promptly by 8:30 PM)

The Special Feast Mass of St Anthony will be celebrated on Friday 13th June at 7:45pm. All are welcome.

UCM TRIP TO WALSLINGHAM

This will take place on Tuesday 1st July and is open to parishioners as well. Coach will leave SSMM Church at 7am. Please see poster in the porch for more details and/or call Iona De Souza on 07846 317201 for further information.

CHOIR LEADERS MEETING

Choir leaders meeting will take place on Tuesday 27th May at 7pm in the Parish Office.

SVP VISITS

St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) visits: The SVP Team is available to help families with house visits, befriending support, and basic practical day-to-day essentials. We can also provide information or signposting about other relevant services. For more information, please contact the SVP Team at 07824 067524 or SVPHounslow@gmail.com.

HEALTH AND SAFETY TRAINING

The Health and Safety trainings are scheduled to be held on Saturday the 21st June at 11am and Wednesday 25th June 7pm. New members are welcome.

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 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 **£15,428.84**. Thank you for your generosity. We thank those who have donated so far. God bless you.

REGULAR NOTICES

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.

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.

CONFIRMATION 2024-25

Our Bishop James Curry will confer the Sacrament on 116 of our young people, who have completed their preparation, on Sat, 31st May in our very own parish Church. The cohort will be divided into two groups to accommodate them and their families & friends in the church and parish centre. The Masses will be celebrated at 10am and at 2pm. All are invited to pray for them.

PRAYER FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Prayer cards for each of our *confirmandi* have been put up in the Mother Mary Chapel. Each card has the candidates name and a prayer on the back. Please collect a card and pray for that young person to be filled with the Holy Spirit and to become a defender

of the faith and a true witness of God's eternal love for all.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

119 of our children who have completed their preparation, will receive the Most Blessed Sacrament over five Masses on Sat 7th June, Sat 14th June and Sun 15th June. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

VOLUNTEER CATECHISTS & ASSISTANTS

Your parish needs more volunteer catechists and assistants to aid in the Sacramental preparation of our children. DUE TO CHILD SAFEGUARDING REGULATIONS, WE NEED ONE ADULT FOR EVERY 8 CHILDREN. Not having enough catechists, places a limit on the number of children we can accept for the Sacramental preparation programmes each year. If you wish to serve God and your parish, are willing to contribute your 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.

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

6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2,22-29 – 'It has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements.'

Psalms Response – *Let the peoples praise you, O God!*

Revelation 21:10-14,22-23 – 'He showed me the holy city down out of heaven'.

John 14:23-29 – 'The Holy Spirit will bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.'

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60 – 'I see the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God'.

Psalms Response – *The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.*

Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20 – 'Come, Lord' Jesus!'

John 17:20-26 – 'May they become perfectly one'

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

17th/18th May 2025

Loose: £3,455.33

Envelopes: £1,419.95

TOTAL: £4,875.28

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: Tadeusz Z Wolanski, Heather Philomena Marklew,

António José Visitação da Cruz Barreto, Fr Bernard Scholes, Sybil Knox, Carlos D'Silva, Mary Maher, Emma Noronha, Michael Duncan Duff, Denzil Burns, Clara Nazareth.

PARISH/PRAYER GROUP MEETINGS

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 01st June at 3pm

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 08th June at 4pm

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 15th June at 4pm

MASS OF THE SICK

Last Tuesday of the month at 12noon. Please refer to the announcement on page 2.

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS

Every Tuesday 7pm in the Parish Centre/Car park, followed by Rosary during the month of May.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

On Wednesday at 5pm in the Church

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS &

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Every Thursday 5pm in the Church

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

Please refer to the announcement on page 1

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please refer to the announcement on page 1

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.

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.