



SS MICHAEL AND MARTIN

Roman Catholic Parish of Hounslow
Archdiocese of Westminster

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st September 2025

NEW CANONISED SAINTS

Last week, we rejoiced with the whole Church as Pope Leo declared St Carlo Acutis and St Pier Giorgio Frassati among the company of the saints. While St Carlo lived much of his life in Milan, we should not forget that he was born here in London. On Saturday, I had the joy of celebrating a Mass of thanksgiving at the Church of Our Lady of Dolours, Fulham Road, the very place where St Carlo was baptised. The witness of his short but radiant life is an inspiration to us all, and in a particular way to young people. At the heart of his life was a profound devotion to the Eucharist. It is in this light that, next month, Westminster Cathedral will host a Eucharistic Festival, during which we shall have the opportunity of venerating the relics of St Carlo. Over this summer, we also received the very welcome announcement from Pope Leo that St John Henry Newman will be made a 'Doctor of the Church'.

The Holy See received declarations of support from many different parts of the world and, of particular importance, from the Bishops of the Church of England. This recognition that the writings of St John Henry Newman are a true expression of the faith of the Church is of huge encouragement to all who appreciate not only his great learning but also his heroic sanctity in following the call of God in his journey of faith, which he described as 'heart speaking unto heart'.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols

MICHAELMAS: PARISH NOVENA AND FEAST OF ST MICHAEL

THE ARCHANGEL

9 days Novena will start from the 20th September to 28th September, followed by feast Mass on the 29th September. **Dates and times are:**

Saturday 20th, 27th & Sunday 21st, 28th at 7:30pm

Monday 22nd – Thursday 25th at 6:45pm & Friday 26th at 7:45pm.

Feast Mass will be celebrated on the 29th September 9am & 6pm. Please join us in the Parish Centre for refreshments after the 6pm Mass.

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

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

Saturday 4.30-
5.30pm

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)

1st Assistant Priest: Fr Ignatius Nguyen Quy Quan, CSSp

quyquannguyen@rcdow.org.uk (annual leave)

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

(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.



We congratulate all those who are celebrating their birthdays & wedding



anniversaries this month. We also welcome all our new parishioners.

PARISH NOTICES

ACTIVITIES FOR PARISH FEAST OF ST MICHAEL:

PRAYER: We will invoke the protection of St Michael before every Mass (weekday & weekend) by reciting the prayer together. Families are invited to include the St Michael prayer in their family prayer routines.

ARTWORK: Children (of all ages!) are invited to prepare artwork on St Michael the Archangel and bring them to church on any one of the novena days. They will be displayed for the duration of the novena and feast. There is no limit on how many, only ensure the size is limited to an A4 sheet.

FACT SHARING: All young people (and young at heart) are invited to share an amazing fact or story about St Michael the Archangel at any one day of the novena. Self-made videos, slideshows, song or dance, short skit, or simply a narration – all with a 5-minute limit, are invited. Please contact the parish catechist Lionel, via an email to book a slot in advance.

INTERCESSIONS: At every novena, all are invited to write their petitions seeking St Michael's intercession and/or protection, on a slip of paper and to drop it into the 'Intercession Basket'. St Michael's help is often sought to fight the demons of addiction, and spiritual & temporal afflictions.

OFFERING: All are invited to contribute what they are able to towards the refreshments after the feast Mass. Food, drink, financial help and labour are all invited. You may provide details of your contribution on the board in the Our Lady chapel area or via email to hounslowcat@rcdow.org.uk

CHILDREN'S MASS

The parish will begin children's Mass on every 4th Sunday of the month at 2pm. The first inaugural

Mass will be on Sunday 28th September. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to this Mass which will be adapted to children's liturgy.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The parish is need of more volunteers to join our Parish Ushers Team, especially during this festive period. Please contact the parish office, Hounslow@rcdow.org.uk.

FR IGNATIUS ANNUAL LEAVE

Fr Ignatius will be on his annual leave from the 20th September until 14th November. He will not have access to his emails or phone.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE – SECOND COLLECTION

We raised a total of £966.08, for the Catholic Education Service collection which took place last weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

CHURCH PAVEMENT WORKS

The church pavement works continues and we hope for the works to be completed by end of next week (weather permitting).

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE SIGNING (CCP)

For CCP signing, please visit the parish office either on a Tuesday or Thursday between 10am & 12noon (**NO APPOINTMENT REQUIRED**). Please ensure you bring your previous Mass attendance cards or if you are new to the parish, a letter from your previous parish confirming your attendance.

EVANGELII GAUDIUM – SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection this weekend during all the Masses for the Evangelii Gaudium. Thank you for your generosity.

MASS FOR THE SICK

There will be Mass for the sick every last Tuesday of the month at 12noon, starting from the month of February. There will be anointing of the sick during the Mass.

RESTORATION OF STATUE

A parishioner has generously offered to restore the second statue of St Anthony. We thank the parishioner immensely. The restoration of the

statues will take approximately 6 weeks to be completed.

ANNUAL MASS HEADCOUNT

The yearly Mass Headcount will take place in the Church during all the weekend Masses from this weekend until the 12th October, as directed by the Diocese. We thank the ushers in advance for helping us in this task.

UNION CATHOLIC MOTHERS (UCM) COFFEE MORNING

UCM group will be conducting Macmillan coffee morning on Friday, 26th morning after the 9.00 am Mass in the Parish Centre. They will be selling cupcakes, cakes and jams. All are welcome.

SPIRITANS YOUTH CONCERT

Saturday, October 25, 2025 | 10:00 – 17:30

The day will include worship, music, Eucharistic celebration, talks, food, and community. Free tickets and hoodies are available. The theme of the event is Christ is our Hope (Col 1:27). Join us at St. Mellitus Parish in Tollington Park. This event is for ages 16–35, and our parish youth will travel together as a group. Don't miss this exciting opportunity! Register now! For more information, see the newsletter, the poster at the porch, or contact Ivan, our parish youth worker. Registration link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/VjBTb9Ddmw>

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.

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).

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

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

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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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 8:4-7 – Against those who 'buy the poor for silver.'

Psalm Response – *Praise the Lord, who raises the poor*

1 Timothy 2:1-8 – 'Prayers should be made for all people to God, who desires all people to be save.'

Luke 16:10 – 13 – 'You cannot serve God and money.'

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1a,4-7 – 'The revelry of those who now stretch themselves out shall pass away.'

Psalm Response – *My soul, give praise to the Lord.*

1 Timothy 6:11-16 – 'Keep the commandment until the appearing of our Lord.'

Luke 16:19-31 – 'You received good things, and Lazarus bad things; now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish.'

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

13th/14th Sept 2025

Loose: £4,614.21

Envelopes: £1,381.16

TOTAL: £5,995.37

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: Elcina Alpesh Makwana, 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.

PARISH/PRAYER GROUP MEETINGS

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday, 21st September at 4pm

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 05th October at 3pm

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

Sunday 12th October at 4pm

MASS OF THE SICK

Last Tuesday of the month at 12noon.

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS

Tuesday in the Church at 7pm

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

First Friday of each month at 3pm

EUCHARISTIC 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.