



SS MICHAEL AND MARTIN

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Archdiocese of Westminster

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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2nd Sunday of Advent

07th December 2025

SOLEMNITY – IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

MARY

Solemnity – Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on Monday 8th December. There will be 7:30am, 9am, 12noon and 6pm Masses. Please join us in the Parish Centre for tea & coffee after the 6pm Mass.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Eucharistic adoration, teaching on the Eucharist, Prayer, Praise and Worship on Thursday 11th December after evening Mass.

DECEMBER COFFEE MORNING

There will be coffee morning on the Sunday 07th December after the 9am and 10.30am Masses in the Parish Centre and will be hosted by the Eucharistic Ministers. Open to all, and new parishioners most welcome.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS COLLECTION

There will be a collection for the Christmas flowers, this weekend during all Masses. Thank you for your anticipated generosity.

CHRISTMAS/END OF YEAR RETREAT

Our Parish Christmas/End of Year Retreat will take place on Sunday 21st December at 7:30pm till 9:30pm. Fr Joseph Edatu will be conducting this retreat. All are welcome.

MASS DIARY 2026

The parish Mass diary for 2026 is open! Kindly note that the **stipend** per Mass intention is a **minimum of £10** (Diocesan Guidelines). **Payment can be made either by cash, online transfer or card payment.**

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)

1st 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

(BOOKINGS TAKEN BY EMAIL MON, THURS,

FRI 7.00-8.30AM TUES/WED 4.00-5.00PM)

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

HOLY HOUR &

BENEDICTION

Saturday 4.30-

5.30pm

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

COLUMBAN MISSION APPEAL – THANK YOU

We raised a total of £2,687.31 from the collection which took place during the weekend 29th/30th November for Columban Missionaries. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS DONATION

Annually, as a parish, we prepare Christmas Hampers to assist the families in need during the festive season. This kind gesture provides a lot of relief to such families, and they rely on us to make their Christmas celebration a happy one. We therefore appeal to everyone to kindly donate some food items which will be distributed to the families in need. **Please do not bring perishable/fresh food items.** Please kindly place the items in the red container placed in Mother Mary chapel marked **'Christmas Hampers Donation'**. Thank you very much for your anticipated kindness and generosity.

ANNUAL CAROL SINGING AND ADVENT PLAY

The Sports and Cultural Society (SCS) team invites everyone to join us for our Annual Carol singing and Advent play " PILGRIMS OF HOPE: THE ADVENT JOURNEY" on Sunday 14th December at 7:15pm in the Church (followed by tea & coffee in the parish centre). All are welcome.

UCM SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

This will take place on Saturday 6th December in the Parish Centre at 1.30pm. We would like to invite all our Senior Citizens from St. Michael & St. Martins Parish. Please see the list in the porch and put your name down together with your choice of meal. Please note

that this list will be taken down on Sunday 23rd November. Please do come and enjoy a Christmas meal and have some fun together.

SVP ADVENT CALENDAR 2025

The St Vincent de Paul (SVP) Team have prepared the SVP Advent calendar that gives a suggestion for items to be donated to our SVP foodbank for each day leading to Christmas. This initiative has been successful in previous years, helping us collect essential food items for families while minimising food waste. Kindly see the poster in the Porch area. Thank you for your continued support of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

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

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).

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:

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.

JACOB'S ANGELS

As we do every year, angels bearing the name, age and gift idea for a child/person, will be displayed on the notice boards in the Mary chapel at all Masses beginning next weekend (6/7 Dec). Parishioners are invited to choose an angel and purchase the Christmas gift written on it. This will be presented to that child or person by one of the five charities that serves them. The requirements and ages are specific to actual persons; however, the names have been changed to protect their privacy.

JACOB'S ANGELS DROP-OFF

Kindly place your gift **unwrapped** in a paper gift bag along with the paper angel so that your gift reaches the right person/child. Please bring your gift bags to church for the evening Mass on Sat 13th Dec and any Mass on Sun 14th Dec and leave them at the Mary Chapel. This year's Confirmation candidates will help collect and put these away. **NOTE: Gifts delivered after 14th Dec may be donated to other charities.**

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

We are seeking people with cars to help take the Christmas gifts from the Jacob's Angels project to the local charities on a weekday from Mon 15th Dec between 10am & 4pm. Please email Lionel hounslowcat@rcdow.org.uk your name and hours available if you can help. Thank you!

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

God our Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness, or disease realize that they have been chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sts Michael and Martin, Pray for us.

TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASS

2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10 – 'With righteousness he shall judge the poor.'

Psalm Response – *In his days shall justice flourish, and great peace for ever.*

Romans 15:4-9 – Christ saves humanity.

Matthew 3:1-12 – 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.'

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS

3rd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35:1-6a,10 – 'God himself will come and save you.'

Psalm Response – *Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

James 5:7-10 – 'Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.'

Matthew 11:2-11 – 'Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?'

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

29th/30th Nov 2025

Loose: £3,808.03

Envelopes: £1,446.50

TOTAL: £5,254.53

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, Igor Sitarska and Don Lynch.

DECEASED: Leo Machado, Bella Felix, Cynthia Souza, Clifton Dominic Colaco, 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.

PARISH/PRAYER GROUP MEETINGS

SYRO-MALABAR CHAPLAINCY MASS

1st Sunday of the month at 3pm

SINHALESE CHAPLAINCY MASS

2nd Sunday of the month at 4pm

GOAN CHAPLAINCY MASS

3rd Sunday of the month at 4pm

MASS OF THE SICK

Last Tuesday of the month at 12noon.

ST ANTHONY NOVENAS

Tuesday at 7pm in the Church.

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.