



St. Vincent de Paul (Osterley) Newsletter

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For this world
in its present form
is passing away.

1 Corinthians 7:31



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24th January 2021 + 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jonah 3:1-5,10. The people of Nineveh renounce their evil behaviour. The people of Nineveh respond when Jonah tells them that God was going to destroy their city in forty days unless they repented. They all do penance and, as a result, God relents and does not inflict on them the disaster that he had threatened.

Psalm 24:4-9. Lord, make me know your ways.

1 Corinthians 7:29-31. The world as we know it is passing away.

We should not become so engrossed in worldly concerns that we give no thought to the fact that the Second Coming could come at any moment.

Mark 1:14-20. Repent, and believe the Good News. Jesus invites the people of Galilee to 'repent and believe the Good News'. He calls Peter, Andrew, James and John to become his disciples, promising that he will make them 'fishers of men'.

Fr. Robin Burgess has prepared a homily for today, which is available on the parish website in the section entitled 'Homilies/Pastoral letters 2021'

FACE COVERINGS ARE MANDATORY IN THE CHURCH FOR THE DURATION OF YOUR VISIT. PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR NOSE AND MOUTH ARE COVERED.

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER ON TUESDAY & THURSDAY FROM 11AM-NOON, AND SATURDAY FROM 9-10AM.

READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Readers have received the latest rota electronically. Please inform the Priest or sacristan you have arrived at mass to read. Eucharistic Ministers: Sign in on the noticeboard before mass if you can minister. One minister is currently required at each mass.

Please sanitize your hands after signing in.

300 CLUB: The lucky winner of the December 2020 Draw for the 300 Club is Paul Osmond, Ticket No. 551. Congratulations!

Be an angel! 11 monthly draws for £300 and an Annual draw for £1000.

It costs £12 per month payable by Standing Order to support our £300 club which helps to pay for our

building loan. Standing Order Application forms (pink) are available in the Lobby. Simply fill one in and return it to the Parish Office if you would like to support the Building Fund and be enrolled in our monthly and annual draw. The odds are much better than the lottery and it assists the parish.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

The SVP are distributing food parcels on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month, from 11am to 12 pm in the St Michael and Martin Church Car Park, 94 Bath Road, Hounslow TW3 3EH. Contact 075 515 58951.

SEGUNDO BAUZON RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Segundo Bauzon who died recently. Our sympathy is extended to his wife Clarita (Claire) and family. May he rest in peace.

APPLICATIONS FOR FIRST COMMUNION 2021 AND CONFIRMATION 2021:

Application forms are available online at our website, or to take home from the lobby.

Please complete and return to the parish office by 31st January 2021.

Further details regarding each programme will be provided in due course.

CAFOD - YOUR SUPPORT IN ACTION:

Join CAFOD online this coming Saturday 30th January from 1030am to 1230pm and listen to CAFOD's representative live from Ethiopia talking about how your support is enabling communities gain access to clean water.

Contact westminster@cafod.org.uk for the registration link and further information.

RETROUVAILLE, ENGLAND & WALES:

Stress in Your Marriage? – This has been a very difficult year for many couples.

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it.

This programme has helped 6,000 couples who were experiencing difficulties in their marriage in the past year alone. There is no group therapy or group work

For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a Virtual weekend on 25th – 28th February 2021, call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443 - or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

ARE YOU A KEEN KNITTER?

A parishioner requires some knitting done. For further details, call 07702 056731.

WESTMINSTER YEAR BOOK 2021:

If you wish to purchase a copy of the latest year book (£4.50), please contact the Parish Office.

MASS ONLINE: A list of parishes offering masses online can be found at this address:

<https://rcdow.org.uk/news/how-to-participate-in-mass-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/>
Fr. Mark recommends Pimlico Parish.

CURRENT LOCKDOWN:

Osterley Parish remains open in a Covid secure way, providing a safe environment to worship. Employed cleaners and volunteers ensure that the church is sanitized and cleaned after every service and sessions of private prayer. Full details are on the website.

The removal of the Sunday obligation has meant that nobody should feel guilty if they do not attend Mass. This is especially applicable to the more vulnerable.

Please pray at home for the end of the spread of the virus and the distribution of the vaccine.

We ask the intercession of St. Joseph, the protector of the Holy Family and the Church.

ONLINE MASS BOOKING REQUIREMENTS:

* If you have booked a mass that you do not wish to attend, kindly text 078 9989 5483 to inform us and enable others to attend instead. This is especially requested where several places are reserved and not going to be used.

* Please say you wish to cancel or reduce the number of places, and provide the mass time.

* Provide the original and reduced number of places (if reducing the booking) and the name used for the booking.

*To increase a booking simply book another place if there is a space available.

Thank you for your consideration.

* If you develop symptoms of COVID-19, stay at home and self-isolate. If you have a positive test result but do not have symptoms, stay at home and self-isolate as soon as you receive the results. Your household needs to isolate too.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

MASS REQUESTS:

Mass intentions can be requested in writing to the office, via e-mail or by ringing the parish office.

Please leave a message and phone number if there is no response. You may also use a Donation envelope from the lobby if you wish to Gift Aid your offering. Offerings for masses can be made by cheque or cash to the Parish Office (you may also use the lobby drop safe), or by BACS transfer.

Minimum Diocesan recommendation is £10.

HSBC: Account No. 41095889

Sort Code: 40 05 20.

Please reference e.g. Mass/date of Mass.

When masses are combined one offering will be given to the priest and the other to St. Anthony's fund for the poor.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH: If parishioners wish to donate to the parish when they visit the church, please do so using the drop safe in the lobby. The parish appreciates that the ability of parishioners to contribute to our collections may have been adversely affected by the current pandemic. Please just give what you can. The safe can also be used for planned giving envelopes.

PLANNED GIVING BOXES: To request a box of envelopes please contact the Parish Bookkeeper Steve McEvoy. Email him at osterleybk@rcdow.org.uk T. 079 3278 3647

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE:

If you require a Certificate of Catholic Practice, email: osterleyccpl@rcdow.org.uk

This parish operates a system of Mass Attendance Cards. This is only applicable for parents who wish to send their children to a Catholic primary or secondary school. Attendance at 75% of masses at which stickers are given out will be deemed to comply with the conditions for receiving a Certificate of Catholic practice.

Mass attendance stickers were suspended from 15TH March 2020. Parents can apply to Catholic schools without a Certificate of Catholic practice but will usually be considered after those who possess one. Parents/Guardians should begin collating forms two years before the closing date for their child's application to Nursery, Reception, Secondary and 6th Form.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 24-31 January 2021		
SUNDAY 24	9.00am	John O'Shea RIP (RD)
	11.30am	Ray Johnson RIP (6 th Anniv)
	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Tues 26	7.00pm	Rosemary Stockton RIP (RD)
Thu 28	7.00pm	Mass
Sat 30	10.00am	Special Intention of Jo & Family
SUNDAY 31	9.00am	Mass
	11.30am	Mass
	6.00pm	John O'Shea RIP

OFFERTORIES: Thank you for your generosity

10/1/21: Loose Plate: £176.92. Envs: £115.00.

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PARISH OFFICE:

Please do not call at the parish office without an appointment. Enquiries can be made by telephone or you can e-mail the parish at osterley@rcdow.org.uk

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Mrs. L. Faria

PLANNED GIVING CO-ORDINATOR: Mr. Steve McEvoy

PARISH BOOKKEEPER: Mr. Steve McEvoy

E-mail: osterleybk@rcdow.org.uk

300 CLUB: Enquiries to Parish Office.

ADMIN

•**PARISH WEBSITE ADDRESS FOR ONLINE NEWSLETTER:**

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/osterley/>

•**PARISH REGISTRATION:** Please take a Welcome Pack from the lobby when. Completed Registration and Planned Giving forms should be posted through the door of the Parish house or dropped into the lobby safe. Thank you.

•**MARRIAGES:** 6 months' notice required. Please ring the office to arrange an initial discussion with Fr. Mark.

•**BAPTISM:** When restrictions are lifted, contact the office to arrange a baptism date and attend a course. Please complete a form (available in the lobby or online) and submit to the Parish Office.

CONTACTS

•**SAFEGUARDING REP:** Mrs. A. Trigger. Tel. 07764482186

Email: osterleysg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

•**WEST MIDDX HOSPITAL RC CHAPLAIN:** Tel. 020 8321 544

Sunday 24 January 2021

Liturgical Colour: Green.

Readings at Mass

First reading

Jonah 3:1-5,10

The people of Nineveh renounce their evil behaviour

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour, and God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 24(25):4-6,7b-9

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.

In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways.

The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
He guides the humble in the right path,
He teaches his way to the poor.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Second reading

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

The world as we know it is passing away

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

I will make you into fishers of men

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

Prayers in a time of coronavirus

WORKING FOR YOUR KINGDOM

Lord Jesus, give us the grace to hear your voice,

And the strength to continue working for your kingdom in this time of pandemic.

Do not allow us to be indifferent to those who today suffer the loss of a loved one, or who suffer from the absence of work.

But give us the courage to accompany and side with those who suffer violence or injustice. Amen.

Prayer: Javier Eduardo Martinez Rueda from Colombia.

Javier is team director at Programa de Desarrollo y Paz, an organisation working on peacebuilding as part of our Hands On Magdalena Medio project.

GOD'S HEALING HAND

To our brothers and sisters who have contracted and are suffering due to the Coronavirus Disease, we pray that God's healing hand may rest upon you.

To medical doctors, nurses and the supporting staff who are in the frontline of the fight against COVID-19, may the Good Lord sustain you and inspire you to render your life-saving services with due care, love and compassion.

To all those who have lost their loved ones due to the Coronavirus outbreak,

we convey our deepest sympathies.

We pray that their souls, through God's mercy, may rest in eternal peace.

We pray that God may grant all bereaved families his consolation and strengthen their faith and hope in Jesus Christ, the Risen Lord.

Amen.

Prayer adapted from the 2020 Easter Message of the Catholic Bishops of Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe

AT THIS TIME

Dear Lord,

At this time of pandemic,

Let us foster respect and solidarity with others, especially those who are weak or poor.

Let us remain calm and ignore unsubstantiated rumours.

Let us take advantage of living together as a family.

Let us attend to moments of prayer.

Let us cultivate responsibility, patience and hope.

Amen.

Prayer adapted from a radio message from Rodolfo Valenzuela Núñez, Bishop of La Verapaz, Guatemala