



St. Vincent de Paul (Osterley) Newsletter

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7th February 2021 + 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Job 7:1-4,6-7. My life is but a breath. We find Job going through a difficult period of life. He speaks out of the depths of his suffering, seeing no light in his darkness, no relief from his struggle.

PSALM 146: Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23. I should be punished if I did not preach the Gospel. Paul writes as one who feels under divine obligation to preach the gospel regardless of the cost to himself.

Mark 1:29-39. He cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another. Those who had diseases and those who are possessed by demons approach Jesus during his stay in Capernaum in the hope of being healed. After a busy day ministering to the sick and the broken, Jesus retires to the wilderness to pray, before setting off again.

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.

THE OFFICE IS CURRENTLY CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC TO LIMIT INTERACTION. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE BY TELEPHONE OR E-MAIL

LAVINIA SIQUEIRA RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Lavinia Siqueira who died last week. Our sympathy is extended to her husband Jimmy (James), son Rohit (one of our parish readers), and daughter Nelia. May Lavinia rest in peace.

LENT EXTRA: Lent begins on Wednesday 17th February. To prepare, we have copies of Lent Extra for sale in the lobby as you enter the church. and include interesting articles, as well as 47 daily reflections and prayers. They cost £2.25 and payment can be made in the Repository wall safe.

JUSTICE & PEACE: You've either got it - or you haven't WATER.

We have too much – they have drought. Abdella in Ethiopia has to walk 10 hours every day to get water for his family – just to survive. Can you go

the extra mile this lent and help Abdella and others like him?

This Lent CAFOD's focus is providing sources of clean safe water. Can you walk 10,000 steps and raise money to help CAFOD? You could join the Big Walk Sat 26th Feb – Fast Day or choose your own time. If walking isn't your thing, try jogging – or be a sponsor. Times are difficult at present, but 'every little helps'.

More details can be found at the CAFOD website where you can sign up. Please email the parish office if you are joining the Big Walk and let us know of your progress and final amount raised. Perhaps as a parish we can unite in achieving a positive result for those in desperate need.

https://walk.cafod.org.uk/?gclid=EAIaIQobChM11e3_mb7S7gIViZ7tCh0zqQUPEAAAYASAAEgIV9_D_BwE

MISSIO ANNUAL RETURNS 2020: Thank you to all who have been donating using a red Missio collection box, and to our Missio Coordinator Yvonne Dias for managing the collections. Last year's return from the boxes amounted to £41.66. This does not include monies that have been donating directly to Missio without using a red box. We will provide an updated figure when this is received.

FIRST COMMUNION 2021 & CONFIRMATION 2021: Applications are now closed. Applicants

will be notified in due course as to how the programmes will be conducted this year in view of the pandemic.

READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Readers: 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 before and after signing in.**

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 being 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 via e-mail, by ringing the parish office, or using a donation and gift aid envelope from the lobby.

Please leave a message and phone number if no response.

Offerings for masses can be made by cheque or cash deposited in 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.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS		
7 – 14 February 2021		
SUNDAY 7	9.00am	Lavinia Siqueira RIP (RD)
	11.30am	People of the Parish
	6.00pm	Josefa Godinho RIP (Bday Anniv)
Tues 9	7.00pm	Richard Armstrong RIP (RD)
Thu 11	7.00pm	Roslind Andrew RIP
Sat 13	10.00am	Nazareth Baretto RIP (RD)
SUNDAY 14	9.00am	Jim Sullivan & Patrick Hanrahan RIP
	11.30am	Christine Halton RIP (RD)
	6.00pm	People of the Parish

OFFERTORY: Thank you for your generosity last week 31/1/21:

Loose Plate: £tba Envs: £tba. Weekly Standing Orders: £1574.18

Total: £tba

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

WESTMINSTER YEAR BOOK 2021:

If you wish to purchase a copy of the latest year book (£4.50), please contact the Parish Office. Copies of 2020 are in the lobby to take away.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

The SVP are distributing food parcels to those in need 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.

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE:

If you require a Certificate of Catholic Practice, email: osterleyccp1@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.

PARISH OFFICE:

The office is currently closed to the public to limit interaction. Enquiries can be made by telephone or you can e-mail 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 7 February 2021

Liturgical Colour: Green.

Readings at Mass

First reading

Job 7:1-4,6-7

My life is but a breath

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed
service,
his time no better than hired drudgery?
Like the slave, sighing for the shade,
or the workman with no thought but his wages,
months of delusion I have assigned to me,
nothing for my own but nights of grief.
Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?'
Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!'

Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.
Swifter than a weaver's shuttle
my days have passed,
and vanished, leaving no hope behind.
Remember that my life is but a breath,
and that my eyes will never again see joy.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146(147):1-6

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

or

Alleluia!

Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving:
to him our praise is due.

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

or

Alleluia!

The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel's exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
He fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name.

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

or

Alleluia!

Our Lord is great and almighty;
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust.

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

or

Alleluia!

Second reading

1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23

**I should be punished if I did
not preach the Gospel**

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a
duty which has been laid on me; I should be
punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this
work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I
have not, it is a responsibility which has been put
into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It
is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good

News free, and not insist on the rights which the
gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have
made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as
many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak:
I made myself all things to all men in order to save
some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of
the gospel, to have a share in its blessings.

Gospel

Mark 1:29-39

He cast out devils and cured any who were suffering from disease

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James
and John straight to the house of Simon and
Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to
bed with fever, and they told him about her
straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand
and helped her up. And the fever left her and she
began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all
who were sick and those who were possessed by
devils. The whole town came crowding round the
door, and he cured many who were suffering from
diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out
many devils, but he would not allow them to speak,
because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and
left the house, and went off to a lonely place and
prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in
search of him, and when they found him they said,
'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let
us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns,
so that I can preach there too, because that is why I
came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching
in their synagogues and casting out devils.

We cry out to you

God of all,
we cry out to you for help.
In your mercy, hear our prayer.

Protect us, Lord, and be with us
especially those of us most vulnerable
during this coronavirus crisis.

Move us to reach out in love
to our neighbours near and far.

So that the humble may be exalted,
the hungry filled with good things.

Grant us the courage
not to rush back to our old ways,
but to rebuild our world together,
creating foundations of justice,
with equality and peace for all.

Amen.

Prayer: Catherine Gorman/CAFOD

The breath of the Almighty

Lord God, loving Creator,
You fashioned us from clay,
And breathed life into us.

We are made and loved by you.

*R: The Spirit of God has made me,
And the breath of the Almighty has given
me life.*

Heavenly Father,
Your Spirit fills us with hope
And lights the path to fullness of life.

Hear us!

As we cry out to you, uncertain and afraid.

*R: The Spirit of God has made me,
And the breath of the Almighty has given
me life.*

In your mercy, Lord,
Grant us the strength to rebuild
When all seems lost.

And the courage to reach out
To those in pain.

*R: The Spirit of God has made me,
And the breath of the Almighty has given
me life.*

Prayer: Linda Jones/CAFOD