



# St. Vincent de Paul (Osterley) Newsletter

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## 23 January 2022 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Nehemiah 8:2-6.8-10. Ezra read from the law of God and the people understood what was read.** Ezra the priest leads an act of worship in fifth century B.C. Jerusalem which concentrates on the Law of God.

**Psalm 18:** Your words are spirit Lord, and they are life.

**1 Corinthians 12:12-30. You together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.** Paul tells the feuding Christians of Corinth that the Church, the Body of Christ, resembles a human body in which the various parts depend on each other.

**Luke 1:1-4;4:14-21. This text is being fulfilled today.** The Gospel passage begins with Luke telling us why he wrote his Gospel. We then hear the account of Jesus' very significant visit to the synagogue at Nazareth.

### THANK YOU:

We take this opportunity to thank Nicolette Robson for all that she has done for our parish over a significant number of years. Nicolette has now retired from her duties as Justice and Peace coordinator and Minister of the Word. She has kept the profile of Justice and Peace high in the parish, and ensured that the parish project has been well supported. There are many children who will have had a good start in life, partly thanks to her efforts. We thank Nicolette for reading so diligently in church. This is such a vital ministry as people are fed from the table of God's Word as much as from the table of God's Eucharist. We wish Nicolette everything of the best in the coming years.

### CAFOD WALK AGAINST HUNGER:

Challenge yourself to walk 200k this Lent and help stamp out hunger, one step at a time.

You can walk, roll, skip or stroll your way to 200k. You can boldly go it alone and take it on 5k a day for 40 days, or you can smash the target all at once as a team.

There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. So, this Lent, challenge yourself to conquer 200k, and help give hunger its marching orders.

You can sign up at [walk.cafod.org.uk](http://walk.cafod.org.uk) or scan the poster at the entrance to the church. It may be fun and encouraging if a group of parishioners wish to do this together.

### UPDATE TO MASS TIMES:

**Sunday Mass:** 9.00am, 11.30am, 6.00pm

**Weekday/Saturday Mass:** Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat 9.30am. Tue 7.30pm

**Exposition:** Sat. 10-11.00am followed by **Benediction** at 11.00am.

**Confession:** Sat 10-10.30am and on request.

\* Note it is no longer a requisite to book a space online for weekday and Saturday masses. To book a Sunday mass (or mass on a holy day) please click "Events" on the website.

**Private Prayer:** Monday to Friday, 9.15 a.m. until 8 p.m. Sanitise your hands on entering the church.

### MISSIO ANNUAL RETURN 2021:

Thank you to everyone who contributes to Missio using a collection box, and to Yvonne Dias who manages the collections and returns. Last year's takings amounted to £206.82. We have received acknowledgement from Missio & Mill Hill Missionaries.

### CONTACTLESS GIVING:

You can now give your weekly offering by card or phone using the machines in the lobby. Simply choose the amount and tap your card. If you pay tax you can gift aid your donation at no cost to you, increasing your offering by 25%. The first time you gift aid you have to enter some simple

details. If you use the same card in future your donation will be gift aided automatically.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO BOOK SEATS ONLINE FOR SUNDAY MASS:**

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.

\* 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 booking name.

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

<b>Service Times &amp; Intentions 23-30 January 2022</b>		
Sunday 23 3rd Sunday in OT	0900	Edward Talbot RIP (RD)
	1130	Carolina Santiago RIP (Anniv) Ray Johnson RIP (7 <sup>TH</sup> Anniv)
	1800	Peggy Hussey RIP
Mon 24	0930	Special Intention
Tue 25	1930	Rosemary Stockton RIP
Wed 26	No Mass	
Thu 27	0930	Pat Collins RIP
Fri 28	0930	Thanksgiving Helen Harting & Salette Xavier
Sat 29 BVM on Saturday	0930	Fr. George Annis RIP
	10-10.45	Confession
	1100	Benediction
Sunday 30 4th Sunday in OT	0900	Thanksgiving Intention
	1130	Rose Foley RIP 15 <sup>th</sup> Anniv
	1800	Jim O'Connor RIP Anniv
<b>Rosary:</b> 7 p.m. before the Tuesday weekday evening mass.		

<b>OFFERTORY:</b> Thank you for your offerings on 16/1/22	
<b>Loose Plate</b>	222.34
<b>Planned Giving Envelopes</b>	332.90
<b>Standing Orders</b>	1497.00
<b>Contactless</b>	174.03
<b>Total</b>	2226.27

**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 (located in front of the Repository), or using the contactless machines in the lobby. The parish appreciates that the ability of parishioners to contribute to our collections may have been adversely affected by the pandemic. Please just give what you can. The safe can also be used for planned giving envelopes.

**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. Leave a message and telephone number if there is no response.

Offerings for masses can be made by cheque or cash deposited in the lobby drop safe, or by BACS transfer (see details below). The minimum Diocesan recommendation is £10. Masses are confirmed upon receipt of the stipend. Online account details:

**Bank:** HSBC **Account Name:** WRCDT Osterley  
**Account Number:** 41095889 **Sort Code:** 40 05 20  
**Please reference e.g.** Mass/date of Mass

**ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS 2020:**

A report has been received from the Westminster RC Diocesan Trust and is available in the lobby for you to look at. This copy is not to be removed. The data can also be accessed by scanning the QR code on the poster provided, or accessed online at:  
<https://bit.ly/DowAccounts2020>

**PARISH OFFICE**

**PARISH SECRETARY / ADMINISTRATOR:**

Mrs. L. Faria

**PLANNED GIVING CO-ORDINATOR AND**

**BOOKKEEPER:** Mr. Steve McEvoy.

E-mail: [osterleybk@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:osterleybk@rcdow.org.uk) T. 07932 783647

**Planned Giving Boxes:** If you have a query, or would like to plan your giving for the first time using envelopes or a standing order, please contact the Parish Bookkeeper using the contact details provided.

**300 CLUB:** Application forms available in the lobby. Enquiries to the Parish Office.

**ADMIN**

**PARISH WEBSITE ADDRESS FOR THE ONLINE**

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

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** Please take a Welcome Pack from the lobby. Completed Registration and Planned Giving forms can 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:** For parishioners registered and attending at St. Vincent's. Please complete a form (available in the lobby or online) and submit to the Parish Office. You will then be contacted to arrange a baptism date and attend a course when these resume.

**CONTACTS**

**SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE:**

Mrs. A. Trigger. Email: [osterleysg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:osterleysg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk)

**WEST MIDDX HOSPITAL RC CHAPLAIN:**

Tel. 020 8321 5447.

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**CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE**

This is only applicable for parents who wish to send their children to a catholic (or Church of England) primary or secondary school.

The Diocese requires that families attend regularly (this means attending Mass every Sunday) for at least two

years before a priest is able to sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice.

To assist the parish in signing CCP forms, the parish operates a Mass attendance Card system (see below).

#### **MASS ATTENDANCE CARD**

Stickers for pupils in school Year 5 and under.

Stickers for pupils in Year 9 (for Year 12)

Stickers will be given after Mass, before you leave.

Stickers are not issued in August

It will be your responsibility to look after the card and bring it every week.

If you require a mass attendance card or if you have a question about a CCP certificate, please email

[\*\*osterleyccp1@rcdow.org.uk\*\*](mailto:osterleyccp1@rcdow.org.uk)

\*Please note it is ccp1 using a digit/number 1 (one)

Include your child's full name, passport sized photo and School Year in September 2021.

Once requested by email, cards and stickers can be collected in the lobby of the church after mass.

CCP Contact Telephone No: 07542441846.

Please leave a message.

**Volunteers needed:** We are looking for volunteers to help with distributing the stickers after Mass. If you can spare 15 minutes, please call Antonella on 07542441846 for more information.

#### **FIRST COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION**

**2022:** Applications are closed and parents have been contacted.

Enquiries: [osterleyfhc1@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:osterleyfhc1@rcdow.org.uk)

\*NB it is fhc1 using the digit/number 1 (one).

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**Sunday 23 January 2022**

**Liturgical Colour: Green.**

**Readings at Mass**

**First reading: Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10**

**All the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law**

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, 'Amen! Amen!' Then they bowed

down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe, and the Levites who were instructing the people, said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.' For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.'

#### **Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 18(19):8-10,15**

*Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.*

The law of the Lord is perfect,  
it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
it gives wisdom to the simple.

*Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.*

The precepts of the Lord are right,  
they gladden the heart.

The command of the Lord is clear,  
it gives light to the eyes.

*Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.*

The fear of the Lord is holy,  
abiding for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth  
and all of them just.

*Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.*

May the spoken words of my mouth,  
the thoughts of my heart,  
win favour in your sight, O Lord,  
my rescuer, my rock!

*Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.*

#### **Second reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30**

**You together are Christ's body, but each a different part of it**

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. If the foot were to say, 'I am not a hand and so I do not belong to the body', would that mean that it stopped being part of the body? If

the ear were to say, 'I am not an eye, and so I do not belong to the body', would that mean that it was not a part of the body? If your whole body was just one eye, how would you hear anything? If it was just one ear, how would you smell anything?

Instead of that, God put all the separate parts into the body on purpose. If all the parts were the same, how could it be a body? As it is, the parts are many but the body is one. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I do not need you', nor can the head say to the feet, 'I do not need you.'

What is more, it is precisely the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest which are the indispensable ones; and it is the least honourable parts of the body that we clothe with the greatest care. So our more improper parts get decorated in a way that our more proper parts do not need. God has arranged the body so that more dignity is given to the parts which are without it, and that there may not be disagreements inside the body, but that each part may be equally concerned for all the others. If one part is hurt, all parts are hurt with it. If one part is given special honour, all parts enjoy it.

Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it. In the Church, God has given the first place to apostles, the second to prophets, the third to teachers; after them, miracles, and after them the gift of healing; helpers, good leaders, those with many languages. Are all of them apostles, or all of them prophets, or all of them teachers? Do they all have the gift of miracles, or all have the gift of healing? Do all speak strange languages, and all interpret them?

**Gospel: Luke 1:1-4,4:14-21**

**'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen'**

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written:

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me,  
for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor,  
to proclaim liberty to captives  
and to the blind new sight,  
to set the downtrodden free,  
to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

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**Accompaniment for the separated and divorced Beginning Experience Weekend** - a residential weekend to help you to heal will be held from 8th to 10th April 2022 at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. Contact Freda 01322-838415; Maura 07795-498445 or email [besouthofengland@gmail.com](mailto:besouthofengland@gmail.com).

**Restored Lives** 8-week online course from 24<sup>th</sup> January <https://www.restoredlives.org/go-on-a-course>  
RL provide workshops to support for teenagers & young adults: 13-18 yrs Wednesday 2nd March 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm; 18 – 30 yrs Wednesday 2nd March 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm. Go to this website link: <https://www.restoredlives.org/yourdirection>

## January 2022

**'A Christian's first task is to listen to the word of God, to listen to Jesus, because he speaks to us and saves us with his word' Pope Francis**

