

St. Vincent de Paul (Osterley) Newsletter

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Newsletter for 24th & 31st December 2023



Sunday 24th December 2023 - 4th Sunday of Advent Yr B Vol 1 (Pg. 90)

2 Samuel 7:1-5,8-12,14-16. The Kingdom of David will always stand secure before the Lord

Psalms 88: I will sing forever of your love, O Lord.

Romans 16:25-27. The mystery, which was kept secret for endless ages, is now made clear.

Luke 1:26-38. Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son.

Sunday 24th December 2023 Dramatized Nativity of the Lord & Midnight Mass (Pg. 97)

Isaiah 9:1-7. A Son is given to us.

Psalms 95: Today a saviour has been born to us; he is Christ the Lord.

Titus 2:11-14. God's grace has been revealed to the whole human race.

Gospel. Luke 2:1-14. Today a saviour has been born to you.

Monday 25th December 2023 Nativity of the Lord - Mass During the Day (Pg. 102)

Isaiah 52:7-10. All the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Psalms 97: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Hebrews 1:1-6. God has spoken to us through his Son.

John 1:1-18. The Word was made flesh, and lived among us.



Sunday 31st December 2023 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Yr B Vol. 1 (Pg. 105/107) *Alternative Readings*

Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3. Your heir shall be your own flesh and blood.

Psalms 104: He, the Lord, is our God. He remembers his covenant forever.

Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19. The faith of Abraham, Sarah and Isaac.

Luke 2:22-40. The child grew, filled with wisdom.



Thank you to all who helped to prepare the Church & Liturgy for the Birth of Our Lord this Christmas. Fr. Feroz and all the Parish staff wish you a peaceful, joyful Christmas, and a happy, and bright New Year.

CRIB OFFERING: Please donate in the wall safe situated in St. Anthony's chapel. The crib offerings this year will be applied to the Catholic Children's Society for the relief of poverty at home.

CHRISTMAS PRIEST OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the lobby if you wish to make a contribution this Christmas. For Planned Giving donors, a Christmas envelope is provided in each box. Note that the stipends (salary) for parish clergy comprises the Christmas and Easter offerings, donations for baptisms, weddings, funerals, and masses. Thank you.

PARISH OFFICE: The Parish Office is closed between Christmas and New Year. It will re-open on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

TUESDAY 26 DECEMBER - FEAST OF ST STEPHEN: 9.30 a.m. Mass. Congratulations to the 14 Altar Servers who will receive their bronze medals for serving for a year or more. Special congratulations go to Piotr Kozicki who has served diligently for 10 years and receives a silver medal. Altar servers, please check your name on the list in the Sacristy and confirm your attendance for 26th December.

SPECIAL COLLECTION 7th JANUARY: Cardinal Vincent Nichols has requested that a collection is taken for those suffering from the conflict in the Holy Land. This will take place in our parish on the Solemnity of the Epiphany, Sunday, 7th January. Collections will be forwarded to the Latin Patriarch.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Did you miss out on one or more of the sacraments of Baptism, Communion and Confirmation? Please make contact with the Parish Office, and we can direct you to one of our programmes.

300 CLUB WINNER FOR NOVEMBER 2023: Congratulations to Blossy Pereira, Tkt. 806, who has won £300.

2022 ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS FOR THE DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER: The 2022 annual report is available in the lobby for your perusal (*not to be removed please*). You can also scan the QR code to access the accounts on your smart device.

Service Times & Intentions: 24 December 2023 – 7 January 2024		
SUNDAY 24 4 th Sunday of Advent	0930	People of the Parish
	1130	Fr. Mark Leenane RIP
Dramatized Nativity Mass	1800	People of the Parish
MIDNIGHT MASS	2400	People of the Parish
MONDAY 25 NATIVITY OF THE LORD	0930	People of the Parish
	1130	Rosada & Silvester Baptista RIP
		<i>No evening mass</i>
TUESDAY 26 ST. STEPHEN	0930	Intention of Parish Altar Servers
Wednesday 27	0930	Intention of Kathy Arifi (Sick)
Thursday 28	0930	Thanksgiving for wellbeing of Family & Friends, and Simon's Recovery
Friday 29	0930	Thanksgiving Intention
Saturday 30	0930	Joe D'Lima RIP
Confession	10-1030	Confession
Benediction	1100	Benediction
SUNDAY 31	0930	Intentions of the D'Lima Family
	1130	Lavinia Siqueira RIP
	1800	Nina McDevitt RIP Anniv
MONDAY 1 JANUARY	0930	People of the Parish Solemnity of Mary
Tuesday 2	0930	Thanksgiving Intention
Wednesday 3	0930	Mass
Thursday 4	0930	Francisco & Nancy Mascarenhas 26 th Wedding Anniversary
Friday 5	0930	Mass
Saturday 6	0930	Deliciosa Pereira & Santo Mascarenhas RIP
SUNDAY 7 Epiphany of the Lord	0930	Anthony D'Souza RIP
	1130	Lavinia Siqueira RIP <i>Baptism: Micaiah De Souza</i>
	1800	Johnny Corbett RIP
Morning Prayer: 9.10 a.m. Rosary: Mon-Sat after mass.		
The New I Am Prayer Group: Next date: Tba		
OFFERTORY: Thank you for your offerings last week		
Standing Orders	1740	
Contactless	217	
Loose Plate	428	
Planned Giving Envelopes	349	
Total Collection	2734	
Collection totals for Christmas and 31/12/23 Tba		

PARISH OFFICE Contact Hours: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 9.30 am – 1 pm. Email: osterley@rcdow.org.uk

PARISH SECRETARY: Mrs. L. Faria
PLANNED GIVING CO-ORDINATOR & BOOK-KEEPER: Mr. S. McEvoy. osterleybk@rcdow.org.uk
Planned Giving enquiries: Tel. 07932 783647.

PARISH ONLINE BANK DETAILS

Bank: HSBC **Account Name:** WRCDT Osterley
Account: 41095889 **Sort Code:** 40 05 20.
Please reference: e.g. Mass, Baptism etc. / Date.

ONLINE NEWSLETTER:

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MASS REQUESTS: Mass intentions can be requested via the parish office, by e-mail, or by using a donation envelope from the lobby, which allows you to gift aid your offering. Offerings may be submitted by cheque or cash deposited in the lobby drop safe in a marked envelope, by BACS transfer (see bank details below), or by using the contactless machines. The minimum Diocesan recommendation is £10. Masses are confirmed upon receipt of the stipend. If the requested date is already booked, the next available date will be allocated. In the event of a funeral, weekday masses may have to be rescheduled.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Collect a Welcome Pack from the lobby. Completed Registration and Planned Giving forms can be posted into the lobby safe. Please inform the office if your details change.

MARRIAGES: 6 months' notice required. Please contact Fr Feroz Fernandes via the Parish Office.

BAPTISM: For parishioners registered and attending at St. Vincent's, complete a Baptism Application form (available in the lobby or online) and submit to the Parish Office with your offering. You will be contacted thereafter.

HALL BOOKINGS: No new hall bookings are being taken until further notice.

OTHER CONTACTS

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE: Mrs. A. Trigger
osterleysq@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

SVP: For assistance to the housebound and those in need.
Tel. 07765 026377.

WEST MIDDX HOSPITAL RC CHAPLAIN:
Tel. 020 8321 5447.

A CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE (CCP) will be required for applications to Catholic (or Church of England & Faith) primary or secondary schools. 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 CCP. To assist the priest in signing the certificate, the parish operates a Mass Attendance Card system (see below). To obtain an application form for a CCP, or for enquiries, email Antonella osterleyccp1@rcdow.org.uk (using a digit1).

MASS ATTENDANCE CARD (MAC):

If your child is aged 1+ you may need a Mass Attendance Card. For details on how to get a MAC, email Antonella (see above.)

FIRST COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION: The deadline for applications has closed. Parents have been contacted by email. Contact email osterleyfhc1@rcdow.org.uk

CONFIRMATION: Contact email Osterleyconfirmation@rcdow.org.uk