

St. Vincent de Paul (Osterley) Newsletter

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Presentation of the Lord

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Malachi 3:1-4. The Lord whom you seek will come to his Temple.

The prophet looks for a time when the messenger, whom God will send, enters the Temple. This will be a time of renewal, in which the people's worship will be purified.

Psalms 24: The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory!

Hebrews 2:14-18. He had to be made like his brothers in every respect.

Sharing fully in what it means to be human, Jesus was completely immersed into the religious practices of his Jewish inheritance. He freely presents himself to God to free those enslaved by the fear of death.

Luke 2:22-40. My eyes have seen your salvation. The great Emmanuel makes his entrance to the Temple through the gate reserved for the poor. He is recognised by Simeon and Anna, representatives of those waiting in hope for the saviour of Israel. He is offered for the work which he will accomplish, not just for Israel, but for the whole human race.

HOUSE OF GOD! The BIG Picture

Handing on the Torch of Faith

Thank you for your generous support. As of now, we have collected **54,663** towards our target of 100,000 for the year 2024-25. From which we have paid £30,000 towards the loan. You can directly support **Church Building Fund**. Bank: **HSBC** A/C Name:

WRCDT ST VINCENT BUILDING PROJECT OSTERLEY

Account: **31297511** Sort Code: **40 05 20**

Please reference: **Your Name/BUILD/ Date**

We are yet to pay **£522,511.98** of the loan undertaken in 2004 to build this new Church. We look forward to reducing the loan to 445,000 by December 2025.

St. Vincent's has become a vibrant faith community.

We trust God and rely on your prayers and help to move towards a missional community of disciples of Jesus.

God Bless You for your **Generosity** towards your Church and **LOVE** for St. Vincent de Paul Church, Osterley. If you haven't collected the "Handing on the Torch of Faith" campaign brochure, kindly pick one from our lobby.

100,000

54,663

46,348

33,990

22,250

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PARISH ONLINE BANK DETAILS

Bank: HSBC Account Name: WRCDT Osterley

Account: 41095889 Sort Code: 40 05 20.

Please reference: e.g. Mass, Donation, etc. / Date.

ONLINE NEWSLETTER

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

CELEBRATION OF HOLY YEAR WEST AREA

St Gregory the Great, South Ruislip, is chosen as the West Area Holy Year Church, with Bishop Jim Curry presiding over the West Area celebrations. There will be a Jubilee Mass every Saturday at 10 am, followed by Confession, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction.

OSTERLEY WELCOMES BISHOP JIM CURRY

We welcome Bishop Jim Curry to celebrate the 11.30 a.m. mass in our parish today. There will be an opportunity to meet Bishop Jim after mass.

CANDLEMAS: Today at Candlemas, candles are blessed before mass. This commemorates the presentation of Jesus at the Temple of Jerusalem. It is symbolic of Christ as the light of the world.

POTLUCK & KARAOKE 15TH FEBRUARY

Join us for a Potluck & Karaoke on Saturday, the 15th of February, from 5 pm onwards. Bring your favourite dish to share, and get ready to sing your heart out! It's an evening of fellowship, fun, and food for the whole community. Sign up in the lobby to express your interest in attending.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR MATRIMONY AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL, SAT. 17TH MAY 2025 AT 2:30 PM:

The Cardinal on behalf of the Agency for Evangelisation invites couples in the Diocese celebrating in 2025 their **5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, and 60th (and any year over 60)** wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage. Please give your parish these details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, number of years married, postal address, email (or phone number, if no email). Details of attendees are then sent by the parish to family@rcdow.org.uk

2025 is a Jubilee Year, the theme being 'Pilgrims of Hope'. Westminster Cathedral is also one of the Jubilee churches in the diocese, a designated pilgrimage destinations that allow people to participate in spiritual renewal. We look forward to welcoming these special pilgrims of married love drawn from across the diocese and the infectious joy they bring with them.

"Marriage is the most beautiful thing that God has created." *Pope Francis, Address, 1st October 2016*

MASS OF THE SICK, WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL, 8TH FEBRUARY AT 2 PM

Entry is by using a ticket system and tickets have to be requested in advance via the parish office.

Tickets are in three categories:

- 1) Wheelchair users who require anointing
- 2) Walking sick who require anointing
- 3) Those assisting the sick, who do not require anointing

NEXT RCIA ENQUIRY SESSION ON FEB 3RD

We welcome adults seeking sacramental preparation—whether for baptism, communion, confession, confirmation or just curious about faith. Join us to explore your intention to join the Catholic Church or to learn more. We are meeting on Feb. 3, March 11 & 31, April 8 & 19 at 7:30 pm. For more info, email the office at osterley@rcdow.org.uk.

Service Times & Intentions 2-9 February 2025		
Presentation of the Lord		
SUN. 2	0930	RIP Rosalind Andrew & Dec'd Family
	1130	People of the Parish / FHC Group Mass
	1800	RIP Lavinia Siqueira Anniv
Mon. 3	0930	RIP Carolina Santiago Anniv
Tue. 4	1930	1. RIP Raul Costabir 2. Dhiraj Varma B'Day
Wed. 5	0930	RIP Tommy Conneely
Thur. 6	0930	Thanksgiving Int
Fri. 7	0930	T/G Noel Pereira B'day
Sat. 8	0930	People of the Parish Sick & The Infirm
	1000	Confession Adoration & Benediction 11am
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
SUN. 9	0930	RIP Jim Sullivan, Paddy Hanrahan, Tim O'Connor
	1130	RIP Seamus Cawley
	1800	T/G Lorena 21 st Birthday
HEALING MASS: Last Tuesday of the month at 7.30 p.m.		
MORNING PRAYER: 9.10 a.m.		
ROSARY & DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tues. before 7.30 p.m. mass, and after 9.30 a.m. mass on Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri.		

“BE AN ANGEL” FOR THE CHURCH FUND

The “Be An Angel” brochure invites new members to join with a monthly contribution of £12 for a lucky draw of £300 per month. Collect a brochure to learn more or set us direct debit with our HSBC bank with a reference:

Be An Angel/Your Name - **WRCDT St Vincents**

Building Project Osterley

Account Number 31297511 Sort Code 40-05-20

Offertory: Thanks for your offerings last Sunday	
Standing orders Sunday	£ 1,180.11
Contactless	£ 291.00
Loose Plate	£ 548.19
Planned Giving Envelopes	£ 336.00
Donations	£ 125.00
Hall Hire (Nursery)	£ 874.00
Others	£ .00
TOTAL	£ 3,354.30
Per week Osterley Parish needs*	£ 6,325.00
<i>*Inclusive of loan repayment and interest payments.</i>	

PARISH SECRETARY: Mrs. L. Faria (Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri)
PLANNED GIVING COORDINATOR & BOOK-KEEPER: Mr. S. McEvoy. osterleybk@rcdow.org.uk
 P/G enquiries: Tel. 07932 783647 (Tue/Thu 1-6 pm).

CCP/MAC/DBS COORDINATOR: Mrs Antonella Cleaver (Tue/Thu) Email: osterleyccp1@rcdow.org.uk

PARISH OFFICE: Office visiting hours are **Tues & Thu 10am-Noon** or by **appointment**.

Email: osterley@rcdow.org.uk

THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON WEDNESDAYS, WEEKENDS & PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

MASS REQUESTS: Email the parish office or use a donation envelope from the lobby, which allows you to gift aid your offering. Submit offerings by cheque or cash deposited in the lobby drop safe in a marked envelope, by BACS transfer (see bank details provided on the front of the newsletter), or by contactless machines. The minimum Diocesan recommendation is £10. The next nearest date will be allocated if the requested date is unavailable. Mass intentions are publicised in the Sunday newsletter.

PARISH REGISTRATION: If you are new to our parish or still need to register, collect a Welcome Pack from the lobby, complete the registration and Planned Giving forms, and drop them in the lobby safe. Please inform the office if your details change or you leave.

MARRIAGES: 6 months' notice required. Please get in touch with Fr. Feroz Fernandes via the Parish Office.

BAPTISM: We celebrate baptisms on the **2nd and 4th Saturdays** of the month at 11:30 am. The link for an **application form** is on the parish website (in Sacramental Preparation).

FUNERALS: Contact Fr Feroz to arrange a funeral date and time.

FIRST COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION CLASSES:

Sun. 2 Feb, 11.30am. Group Mass.

Tues 4 Feb. 6.15pm. Belonging.

Contact Email: osterleyfhc1@rcdow.org.uk.

CONFIRMATION 2025

Mon. 3rd Feb. 6.45-8pm. Session 2.

Contact: Osterleyconfirmation@rcdow.org.uk

MASS ATTENDANCE CARD (MAC): If your child is aged 1+, you may need a Mass Attendance Card. For details contact Antonella Cleaver (Tue/Thu). Email: osterleyccp1@rcdow.org.uk

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

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

HALL BOOKINGS: Hall Bookings are taken for Saturdays between 10 am-11 pm only. Email: osterley@rcdow.org.uk

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

CAN YOU HELP WITH CHURCH CLEANING?

Please speak to Fr. Feroz or contact the Parish Office if you can help keep our church clean and tidy. It is a rewarding and valued service to Our Lord and the Parish! Thank you.

INTERESTED IN ST MARY'S FOR YOUR CHILD? Did you know that St Mary's is the top performing school in Isleworth, that we have vacancies across the school, and for some years we've been able to accept all of the children who have applied for a place. This means that, because there are still vacancies, the school's oversubscription criteria are not triggered. Everyone that has applied has been given a place. To access the school video: <https://bit.ly/SMIschoolvideo>
 Tel. Contact: 020 8560 7166