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22nd October 2023 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time–Year A

TIMES OF MASSES

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 9:30am

Saturday Mass 10.00am

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass of Sunday

Sunday 9.00 am

10.30am Family Mass

12.30pm in Spanish

Confessions

Saturday 5pm to 5.30pm

Or by arrangement

Morning Prayer (Lauds)

Monday—Friday 9:15am

Sunday-8.30am

Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday after 9.30am Mass &

Saturday after the 10am Mass

Liturgy & Mass Intentions

Sat 21st October Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Followed by Adoration & Benediction	10.00am 6pm (Vigil)	Alexander & Maximilian (Intentions) Lelia Boohan (Intentions)
Sun 22nd October + 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9am 10.30am	Ann Daly (RIP) Pro Populo
Mon 23rd October feria	9.30am	John William Mampilly (RIP)
Tue 24th October feria	9.30am	Miriam Creighton (RIP)
Wed 25th October Feria Followed by Adoration & Benediction	9.30am	Michael Pigott & Family (RIP)
Thurs 26th October St Chad & St Cedd Bishops	9.30am	Cleto Corpuz (RIP)
Fri 27th October Feria (Friday abstinence)	9.30am 3.00pm	Peter Thyne (RIP) Funeral Mass for: James Kane (RIP)
Sat 28th October St Simon & St Jude Apostles Followed by Adoration & Benediction	10.00am 6pm (Vigil)	Angela Hickey (RIP) Miriam Creighton (RIP)

A SINCERE GIFT OF OURSELVES

In today's Gospel, Jesus said 'give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's.' The difference between giving to God and giving to Caesar is to do with freedom. We give to Caesar because we are compelled to, but also because we think that our gifts give us some share in earthly power and recognition. With God there is no compulsion. God freely created us and offers a share in God's love, but we are never forced to take that gift. Likewise, our gifts do not force God to love us. There is no need for that. God is love, and God's love is unending. Still, we will lose sight of that love if we do not learn to give ourselves up to that love.

The key theme in today's Gospel passage is the need to give. Human beings cannot be happy without a capacity to give something of themselves. Pope St John Paul II made that a key to his teaching: that we should learn how to make a sincere gift of ourselves. On this Word Mission Day, let us be confident and make ourselves available to God for His purposes .

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Announcements

OCTOBER MARIAN PRAYER:

During the month of October, we will pray the "Sub Tuum Praesidium". The invocation is recited as follows:
**We fly to thy protection, O holy Mother of God,
despise not our petitions in our necessities,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen**

Please pray for: James Kane whose funeral will be at 3pm on Friday 27th October and for **Collins Nuesiri** who died recently. **May they rest in peace.**

The clocks go back one hour at 2am next Sunday 29th October.

Do you have a child for Baptism? If so please contact Sarah & she will provide you with an application form to complete and return. (You can also download a form from our website). Once returned we will give you a date to attend a baptism preparation course and book the date of the baptism.

Contact: sarahharcher@rcdow.org

RCIA (rite of Christian initiation of adults): Thinking of becoming a Catholic? The RCIA course to prepare people will begin in the autumn. Contact Father Chinedu for more information on chineduudo@rcdow.org.uk or call him on 0207 834 6965 ext. 3

Are you a Catholic Adult? Never been confirmed? Please contact Fr. Chinedu on chineduudo@rcdow.org.uk or call him on 0207 834 6965 ext. 3

Pre marriage Course: The next Pre-Marriage Course for engaged couples will be in November 2023. It will be 3 sessions, 7.00pm On Tuesday 21st November, Tuesday 28th November & Thursday 30th November. Please contact Sarah for an application form (sarahharcher@rcdow.org or download one from our website.

Autumn Small Groups are starting later this month. They last once a week for 6 weeks. If you are new in the parish community this is a great way to grow spiritually and meet new people. If you belong to a group contact your leader or for more information, contact judyannmasters@gmail.com or 07944490072.

Confirmation for Teenagers at least 14 years of age or in School

Year 9 : The 2023/24 Confirmation programme will commence with an enrolment Mass at 10.30am on Sunday 17th December 2023 with Bishop Nicholas Hudson, followed by a meeting for Parents & Confirmation candidates. The teenagers need to collect an application form from the sacristy after a weekend Mass from Fr Chinedu or one of the catechists and return it to Sarah by the 3rd

December AT THE LATEST.

Mass to remember those in the parish who have died over the

past 12months: This Mass will be held on Wednesday 8th November at 7pm. There will be an opportunity for you to come forward and light a candle as the person's name is read out. **If you are going to be at the Mass** and you have a friend or relative who has died in the **PAST 12 MONTHS** please telephone or email Sarah on 0207 834 6965 Ext 2 sarahharcher@rcdow.org

The standing orders including GYE & one off donations for September came to £5509 The Loose plate including Dona contactless payments for September was £2297.94 & the Offertory envelopes for September came to £1031.39. Thank you all very much indeed. If you wish to make a payment direct to our Bank Account these are the details: **WRCDT Pimlico** Sort code 40-05-20 A/C no: 81308416 Address: HSBC 69 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EY, REF: Collection/Your surname.... **Or use our contactless card machines. The best way to support the parish is by standing order**, you can download a standing order form from our website –just click the "Donate" button at the top of the screen, or Sarah at the parish office can give you a form.

CAFOD family fast day raised a wonderful £905.60 Thank you so much for your generosity.

November is the Month of the Holy Souls

Attached to the Newsletter last week was sheet of paper and an envelope. In November we remember the dead, those who have gone before us and were an important part of our lives. You are invited to prayerfully write the name of your loved ones on the paper & return it to the Church usually with an offering before November. Most of the Masses in November will be offered for those whose names are on those lists. Please complete the gift aid form on the back of the envelope if you pay UK tax.

There are spare sheets in the porch.

Justice & Peace bidding Prayer: Ruth Waddington:

We pray that our missionaries continue to be sustained by the Holy Spirit and that our parish continues to include them in their daily prayers.

Action Prayer: In the gospel this week, the Pharisees try to set a trap for Jesus... Of course, Jesus is ready for them. "...give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God." Simple and concise. So what belongs to God? As far as "Caesar" is concerned, we all pay taxes of some sort--it just happens when we purchase something and settle accounts with the government.

Our **Action Prayer** this week is perhaps to take a *contemplative walk* or just a quiet time to contemplate What belongs to God? It can be a running question in the back of our heads. Is it what He's asked of us? Is it what He's given us? What belongs to God? Avoid worldly traps and distractions, be ready...

Longing for an end to the suffering of war, we pray with Pope Francis to open our eyes & hearts for courage to say "Never again to war" Read more: <https://paxchristi.org.uk/campaigns/israel-and-palestine/>

Pope Francis monthly intentions for October 2023

For the Synod : We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.