



THE CHURCH of the HOLY APOSTLES
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16th February 2025 – The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time– Year-C

TIMES OF MASSES

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 9:30am

Saturday Mass 9:30am

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 at 5pm

Liturgy & Mass Intentions

Sat 15th February Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30am 6pm (Vigil)	Julius Rizzo (RIP) Sophie Sperry (Intentions)
Sun 16th February +SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9am 10.30am	Pro Populo Murray Dalton (RIP)
Mon 17th February Feria	9.30am	Angela Hickey (RIP)
Tue 18th February Feria	9.30am	Peg Staplehurst (RIP)
Weds 19th February Feria Followed by Adoration & Benediction	9.30am	Bernie Duffy (RIP)
Thurs 20th February Feria	9.30am	Bridie Walsh (RIP)
Fri 21st February Feria <i>(Friday abstinence)</i>	9.30am	Anne Castle (RIP)
Sat 22nd February The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle	9.30am 6pm (Vigil)	Bridie Walsh (RIP) John Castle (Intentions)

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THE BEATITUDES: Today's gospel present us with the beatitudes. The question is why? Perhaps, the answer is very simple; the more we live the beatitudes, the closer we are to Jesus. We see Jesus setting out very clearly the teaching that life is about choices, and that we must take control, and be responsible for the life we choose, or even the conditions of life that we embrace or accept.

Certainly, Our Lady also lived the beatitudes fully, but like all who do so, it was as a result of the grace of Jesus. Pope Benedict XVI, in a homily in 2006, expressed it this way:

In truth, the blessed par excellence is only Jesus. He is, in fact, the true poor in spirit, the one afflicted, the meek one, the one hungry and thirsting for justice, the

merciful, the pure of heart, the peacemaker. He is the one persecuted for the sake of justice. The Beatitudes show us the spiritual features of Jesus and thus express his mystery...To the extent that we accept his proposal and set out to follow him - each one in his own circumstances - we too can participate in his blessedness. The Beatitudes are there to guide us (from egocentric to theocentric); self-centeredness to God-centeredness, from personal transformation to communal love, ultimately leading to union with God. The Second Vatican Council fathers spoke of the "universal call to holiness." This call reminds us that holiness is not about perfection but about allowing God to work in us, transforming our limitations into strengths. It is a gentle journey of patience.

Fr Chinedu

Announcements

FINANCE: The standing orders including GYE & one off donations for January was £4324.00 The Loose Plate for January came to £1039.38 the Contactless collection for January was £560.00 & the Offertory envelopes for January came to £372.00. 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Felix Pring age 67 of Winchester Street whose Funeral will be On Thursday 13th March 2025 at 13.30 at Richmond Cemetery. **May he rest in peace.**

SANCTUARY CANDLE- INTENTION THIS WEEK is for: **Franco D’Angelo (RIP)**

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY: This Sunday is Racial Justice Sunday, Bishop Paul McAleenan said: “2025 is a very special year. It marks both a Year of Jubilee and the 30th anniversary of Racial Justice Sunday. “This year, we invite the Catholic community to reflect on the journey towards racial justice – past, present and future – by asking: ‘How far have we come, where are we now and what remains to be achieved?’ “Just as pilgrims must prepare for their journey and be properly equipped, we, too, need all that is necessary to propel us towards racial justice – the mind of Christ; examination of our progress and of the challenges that remain; a willingness to learn from one another together; and prayers for and on the journey. It is my hope that our Racial Justice Sunday 2025 resources will not only assist but inspire the People of God to continue walking and praying together on the path to racial justice.” <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/rjs25-resources/>

VOTIVE CANDLES: We have kept the cost of the votive candles (the ones you light in Church) at 20p per candle for many years. Unfortunately the cost of the candles has risen and so we need to increase the cost to **50p per candle** from this weekend. Thank you for your understanding.

NEW TO THE PARISH? If you are a new parishioner, please come to the presbytery and collect a parish registration form to register. Presbytery reception is situated at the Priests’ House at 47 Cumberland Street.

A DAY WITH MARY : Will be held at the Holy Apostles next Saturday 22nd February 2025 starting with Mass at 9.30am

& will finish by 5pm. Please see the poster & flyers in the porch for more details. **All are welcome to attend.**

MASS FOR BEREAVED PARENTS: A Mass for bereaved parents will be celebrated at Westminster Cathedral by Bishop Paul McAleenan on Saturday 5th April at 2pm. Anyone who has lost a child is welcome to attend this Mass.

ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR MATRIMONY AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL on Saturday 17th May 2025 at 2:30pm: The **CARDINAL** 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. If you would like to attend please send the following details to Sarah at pimlico@rcdow.org.uk : **Husband and wife’s names, wedding date, number of years married, postal address, email** (or phone her on 0207 834 6965).

JUSTICE & PEACE BIDDING PRAYER: From: John Wilkins - Evangelisation -We pray that the Church will be renewed as an evangelizing force, ready to urge the people of God to open new ways of ensuring the sacraments are available even in the most remote regions.

ACTION PRAYER: Our readings this week refer to trusting the Lord that what has been promised, eternal life, will indeed be ours.

'Rejoice when that day comes...your reward will be great in heaven.' The readings review the desired rewards and the challenges we may experience before receiving eternal life. The gospel is a glimpse of the Beatitudes. Today, our desires and challenges haven't changed much since the time of Christ, both may have *modern faces*. What may be a challenge to one group might look like a desired reward to another group. Mix in our gift of choice and free will, it's a minefield. How do we trust our choices? The **Action Prayer** is to have a heart to heart with Christ. Remembering that a relationship is a two-way street, so we need to also listen. Perhaps ask what/where is the challenge you need to *particularly address at this time*. The challenge will probably make us feel uncomfortable --we are leaving a comfort zone. Listen and trust the love of Christ's promises

POPE FRANCIS MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 2025

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.