



# 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.

**THE SANCTUARY AREA & ST JOSEPH’S ALTAR** is continuously monitored via 24/7 livestream, please be aware if you are present in this area, your image and actions may be captured on the livestream.

**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: **The Holy Souls.**

**FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN & PARENTS** meet this Thursday 27th February at 4.30pm in the Church for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**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 they are now 50p each. 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.

**DO YOU HAVE A CHILD FOR BAPTISM?** If so please contact Sarah (pimlico@rcdow.org.uk) & she will provide you with an application form to complete and return. Once returned we will give you a date to attend a baptism preparation course & book the date of the baptism.

**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](mailto: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: JudyAnne Masters - Child Refugees, Safe Passage -We pray for all refugees, in particular the unaccompanied children who are searching for their families or who no longer have families, and the aid agencies that are trying to find safe and legal ways to protect these children.

**SPONSOR BLESSED SACRAMENT LIGHT** at the tabernacle in memory of a loved one: This light burns day and night and is a candle within the red holder to remind people of Christ’s presence in the tabernacle. We invite people to sponsor it for a week in memory of a loved one living or dead and we will place their NAME flat on the back altar beside the light. People are invited to make a minimum donation of £10 for this, if they can afford it. (This can be Gift Aided). Contact Sarah to arrange a particular week.

**ACTION PRAYER:** Our readings this week may be a bit of a challenge--love and pardon our enemies.

We are all familiar with "love your enemies". But what about those who are an enemy to others; others who we support; others who we care about; others who are persecuted. Most of us would agree that we wouldn't advocate *using force against* another's enemy, but would we agree to *help defend* someone who is persecuted? The first reading says walk away, don't kill--but Saul was anointed and David wouldn't harm him. The gospel says, "Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge...do not condemn...grant pardon...". That's a challenging order when we think of Ukraine or Gaza, for example. So, what do we do? How should we respond? Corinthians says we are human and act heavenly. Our **Action Prayer** is to take a walk or sit and rock with Jesus. Solutions. Ask what His action response is to illegal occupation or genocide? World leaders? How do we *trust* to "turn the other cheek"? Of course, we pray and love

## **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.