

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC CHURCH Parish Office: 2 Tynemouth Street, Fulham, SW6 2QT

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PARISH NOTICES

☞ MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR MARTIN HAYES, THE VICAR GENERAL

Dear Parishioners at Stephendale Road,

Fr Richard Andrew has been appointed by the Cardinal to serve as Parochial Administrator of the parish from 8 April. Fr Richard is Parish Priest at Brook Green and Dean of Hammersmith & Fulham Deanery. It is usual for a parish to have a Parochial Administrator pending the appointment of a new Parish Priest. Fr Fortunato stood down as Parish Priest so that he has the opportunity to attend to personal matters. The Diocese is responsible for his accommodation and financial needs. It will not be helpful to Fr Fortunato for him to be given money or goods by parishioners. Should he approach anyone for money or anything else please contact Mgr Martin Hayes, Vicar General: martinhayes@rcdow.org.uk Thank you for your continuing support of the life and work of the parish, and with all good wishes for this wonderful Easter Season. Fr Martin

★ MESSAGE FROM FR RICHARD ANDREW: I am glad of this opportunity to send all the parishioners of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Easter greetings! As Dean of Hammersmith and Fulham I have been liaising with your Parish Administrator Susan, and Catechist Jackie, over the last few months following Fr Fortunato's departure, to ensure that the life of the parish continues to run smoothly. The Cardinal has now appointed me to be the priest acting as what is called Parochial Administrator during the period while there is no Parish Priest.

I am the full time Parish Priest of Holy Trinity Brook Green, so am extremely grateful to the priests who regularly come to celebrate the Sunday Masses and who came to celebrate the special days of Holy Week and the Easter Triduum with you. I am also grateful to Susan in the Parish Office, the catechists and others with a special ministry in the Parish, for all they are doing in a committed way to ensure the life and worship of the Parish continues.

With them I will try to ensure that pastoral care is provided as needed, especially in connection with baptisms, marriage and funerals, as well as First Confessions and Communions which are now arranged. I look forward to any opportunities that arise for me to meet you all.

In my church in Brook Green we have in the Lady Chapel an icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, so every time I look at it, I will be reminded to say a prayer that she will continue to provide the Parish dedicated to her with her heavenly help.

With Easter Blessings on this Sunday of the Divine Mercy, Father Richard

✤ FR MICHAEL DALEY FUNERAL: Fr Michael's mortal remains will be brought into Holy Cross church, Ashington Road, Parsons Green on Wednesday 24 April at 6pm, followed by Requiem Mass. The Funeral Mass will be at Holy Cross church on Thursday 25 April at 12noon. The Cardinal will preside and the homily will be given by Fr Michael O'Boy. Burial at St Mary's Cemetery, Kensal Green will follow the Funeral Mass.

DATE	TIME	CELEBRATION MASS	PRIEST	PAGE
7 th April	9am	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Fr Anthony Doe	732
7 th April	11am	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Fr Javier Ruiz-Ortiz	
14 th April	9 and 11am	3 rd Sunday of Easter	Fr Joe Ryan	743
21 st April	9 and 11am	4 th Sunday of Easter	Fr Colin Davies	755
28 th April	9 and 11am	5 th Sunday of Easter	Fr Joe Ryan	765

▶ **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** The classes are held in the hall at 10am. Please collect your children for 10.50am. The next classes are: 21st and 28th April.

 \blacksquare FOOD COLLECTION: Thank you to everyone for donating food. This will soon be distributed to The Community Food Hub run by the parish of Our Lady of Fatima, White City.

■ **BAPTISM CLASSES:** The next Baptism Preparation Classes will be run on the 13th and 20th April in the hall from 10 - 11.30am. Please contact Liz Cetin for more details: cetinliz@yahoo.com

✤ PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please can you remember the sick of our parish in your prayers: Tom and Connie Arowojolu; Cynthia James; Patrick Murphy; Maureen Palmer.

★THE EVERGREEN CLUB: The club meets on Mondays 1-3pm in the hall for a chat over tea, coffee and cake. There is a weekly raffle, games, monthly bingo and guest speakers. It's a chance to meet new friends and is open to everyone of all ages. There's a small donation to cover costs.

✤ THANK YOU: A big heartfelt thank you to all who came together to make our Easter Masses so special. In no particular order: the Readers; the Lord of Pardon Choir; the Flower Arrangers; the Sacristans and Sacristy Volunteers; all those who participated in the Masses: preparing the church; preparing, carrying and lighting candles and distributing palm crosses; processing through the church on Good Friday; preparing the barbecue and lighting the fire; carrying the Paschal Candle and the Thurible; the Offertory Collectors; those who brought the Gifts to the altar; the Greeters; the Ministers of Holy Communion; the Cleaners and to anyone who helped in any way. Thank you for coming together as a community to give of your time and skills to make our Easter Services a wonderful celebration. Thank you to Fr Anthony Doe and to Fr Antonio Ritaccio for celebrating our Masses with such reverence and for guiding us through them. Finally thank you to all who attended and donated. It takes a lot of people of good will to come together to make our church run as smoothly as it did and does. Bless you all.

★ LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS: Would you like to explore what it means to be filled with the Holy Spirit? There are seminars being run across the Dioceses of Westiminster and Southwark during April and May. Please visit: bit.ly/LISS2024 or see the leaflet in the porch for more info.

₱ PLEASE GIFT AID YOUR CONTACTLESS DONATIONS: When making your donation by card there is the option to gift aid your donation on the screen, once you have entered your details you do not have to do it again for future donations. For more info visit: <u>https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/stephendaleroad/donate/other-ways-to-give/</u>

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

If you would like the Sanctuary Lamp lit before the Blessed Sacrament for a particular intention please speak with the parish office or send an email request to <u>stephendaleroad@rcdow.org.uk</u>. Suggested donation is £10 for each lamp, which burns for a whole week. You can place your donation in the candle's box.

This week special intention is for: Appointment of a new parish priest.