



# ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## NEWSLETTER

6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022 ✠ 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS TIMES

**WEEKEND MASSES:** Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm & Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am.

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 9:30am.

**PUBLIC ROSARY:** Every Wednesday 10am.

**CHURCH OPENING TIMES:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 8am-5pm. Saturday 9:30am-6:30pm. Sunday 8am-1pm.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Cancelled this week.

**CONFESSION:** Saturday 10:30am -11:15am (in the Sacristy) or by appointment

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Year C Ps Week 1

**First Reading:** Isaiah 6:1-2,3-8

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 137(138):1-5,7-8

**Response:** *Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.*

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

**Gospel:** Luke 5:1-11

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

*Thank you for your generous donations*

#### 29/30 January 2022

Envelopes	£ 427.10
Loose	£ 342.21
Total	£ 769.31

**Church Cleaning TEAM 3:** C Dos Passos (Wednesday)

For all queries regarding Parish accounts, Gift Aid, Weekly envelopes, Standing orders and so on, please email at [sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk) & for Parish Centre(s) bookings, please email at [sunburyparishcentres@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyparishcentres@rcdow.org.uk) or contact Lavina, Parish Administrator at the Parish office.

### PARISH NOTICES

**First Holy Communion 2022:** There will be an opportunity to indicate which dates parents would prefer for their child's First Holy Communion. The slip will be handed out in class. Please note, parents getting their first choice cannot be guaranteed.

All parents should bring £15 to class today for their new First Holy Communion work books.

**Confirmation 2021-22:** Our next Confirmation meeting will be on Tuesday at 5pm in the Loyola Centre.

**Fr Christian is away** on Friday and Saturday this week. Fr Michael will say Mass on both the days. Please note, the Church will be closed outside of Mass times.

**Please pray** for Margaret O'Sullivan who entered palliative care this week.

**Weekly Donation Envelopes:** As we are due to place an order for the next Weekly Donation Envelopes starting from 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022 to April 2023.

If you wish to join the Standing Order or have already setup the Standing Order and wish to cancel your Weekly Donation Envelopes. Kindly email the Parish Office at [sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk) or call 01932783507 with your existing Box number, Full Name, Address & Contact number as soon as possible.

If you wish to support your parish by **Weekly Donation Envelopes or Standing Order**, please see details below\* or contact the Parish Office.

### REGULAR NOTICES

**Parish Registration:** If you are new to the parish and would like to register, the Parish Registration (White) forms are available in the Church porch or please email the Parish Office.

**Funerals:** To book a funeral, please contact the Parish Office.

**\*SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH:** COVID has created some financial difficulties for all, our parish included. Please continue your support. Thank you for your generosity.

1. If you would like **"Weekly Donation Envelopes"** or would like to setup **Standing Order**, please complete the *Parish Gift Aid & Standing Order (Blue) Form* available in the Church Porch OR please contact the Parish office, call: 01932783507 or Email: [sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk) OR please visit our Parish Website – **DONATE/Donate to our Parish**.

2. If you are a **TAX PAYER**, please consider joining the **"Gift Aid Scheme"** by completing the same form.

3. You **DO NOT** need to be a *Tax Payer* in order to set up or request for *Standing Order or Weekly Donation Envelopes*.

**Mass Intentions:** If you would like to offer a Mass, the blue envelopes are available in the Church Porch. Please drop your Mass intention envelopes through the Rectory - Letterbox or email the Parish Office.

**Anointing of the Sick:** If you know of someone in the parish who is very ill please contact Fr Christian to arrange a visit.

**Altar Servers:** Online applications to begin serving at Mass are now open for applicants under 18 and over 18. Applicants should have received their First Holy Communion. Prior experience is welcomed but not required. Please visit [Parish Website/Parish Life/Parish Groups /First Holy Communion](#)

**Stewards & Minister's Rotas:** The new rotas are displayed in the Church Porch and are available online on the Parish website - *Parish Groups*.

**Westminster Year Book 2022:** Copies are available at the Parish office, priced at £5.00

## PARISH SCHOOLS

**Parish Schools:** St Ignatius Catholic Primary School and St Paul's Catholic College (Secondary) are this parish's two Catholic Schools, though some parishioners have children at Catholic secondary schools outside the parish bounds. Both are thriving schools. All Catholics are encouraged to have their children educated in a Catholic context.

### Signing of Certificates of Catholic Practice for Catholic Schools

- Parents are requested to contact the School Office first to learn about the School admissions & visit <https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions>.
- **For Secondary Transfer Year 7 (Sept -Oct), Reception (Nov - Jan) & Nursery (Feb- Apr),** please keep reading the Newsletter near the time for Online appointment(s) with the Priest via Parish website.
- **For School Years (Yr1 to Yr6) & other school years,** please email the Parish Office for an appointment at [sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk).

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

**Baptism:** To arrange for the baptism of any child under the age of seven please contact the Parish Office to book a meeting.

All parents will need to complete a short course on the Sacrament of Baptism, usually held at noon on Saturdays. A child's baptism can be booked for any Saturday which works, again at noon.

**First Holy Communion 2022:** Please see the Session dates on the Parish Website.

### **First Holy Communion 2022:** Mass Attendance cards

1. The child should be present with his/her Attendance card.
2. Please make sure the Attendance Card has the Child's full name, this will help the Stewards to identify the card and in case the Attendance card is lost.
3. Please DO NOT forget to bring your Childs Attendance card to Mass every weekend.
4. Stamps/Stickers will not be issued for a missed Sunday.
5. Please contact the Parish Office if you need a new Attendance Card.

**Becoming Catholic 2021-22:** Welcome home! Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

**Marriage:** Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

## EVENTS

**The Helpers of God's Precious Infants:** The next Rosary Procession and Vigil, will be held on Saturday 12th February at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Stratford E15 1NS. We begin with 10.00am Mass; Rosary Procession at 10.35am & returning at approx.12.00pm to the church for refreshments. Full details on poster in church porch or contact tel. 01727 763832 or e-mail [marg@helpersuk.org](mailto:marg@helpersuk.org)

**The annual Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes on the World Day of the Sick** will take place at 2pm on Saturday 12th February in Westminster Cathedral. The Mass will be livestreamed on the Cathedral's livestream, which can be accessed at [www.westminstercathedral.org.uk](http://www.westminstercathedral.org.uk) or <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXx0dF18GV5D9DSZo46ox6Q>

**A Day with Mary – Holy Apostles Winchester Street SW1V** Saturday 19th February from 10am to 4.15pm. Kindly see the poster on the Church Notice Board for more information.

## FR CHRISTIAN WRITES:

Those who are rarely able to go to church apart from on Sundays can sometimes be unaware that almost every day of the year we celebrate a particular saint. On Monday one particular saint caught my attention, St John Bosco. This holy priest and teacher stand as a shining example to all school teachers today, and can teach all of us a lot about the care of the young.

St John Bosco was born just under 200 years ago in the northern part of what is now Italy. He was a pious child but also full of life and joy. In 1825, when he was nine, Bosco had the first of a series of dreams which would play an influential role in his outlook and work. This first dream "left a profound impression on him for the rest of his life", according to his own memoirs. Bosco apparently saw a man, who "appeared, nobly attired, with a manly and imposing bearing" surrounded by thousands of others. The man said to him: "You will have to win these friends of yours not with blows, but with gentleness and kindness. So, begin right now to show them that sin is ugly and virtue beautiful."

Although He was a poor boy, the education he needed was given to him by a priest who supported him, himself later canonised as St Joseph Caffaso. After his ordination he soon devoted Himself to the betterment and education of orphans and other disadvantaged children who he saw all around, with no one to care for them. To help him in his work he founded a religious order of school masters devoted to the work of educating the disadvantaged and committed to using the kindly spirituality of St Francis de Sales. This new Order was what we now call the Salesians of Don Bosco.

He created what he called the "Preventive System of Education." He believed that, above all, the teacher must truly love his charges. And they must know that they are loved and cared for. In a letter he wrote to his followers "you must never forget that you are taking the place of parents who love their children... It is so much easier to get angry than to be patient, to threaten a boy rather than persuade him." His system of education was based around reason, kindness and religion, as well as time for music and games.

So, today we should ask St John Bosco to pray with us for the lost boys of today. In the streets of London, we see many youngsters caught up in drugs, in gangs and trapped in a spiritually stunted world where education, work, family and even the faith are not respected or even thought to be of much value. Like St John Bosco we must never think that these children are beyond the pale. That they cannot be reformed to be the wonderful beacons of love and joy which God created them to be. Above all we must pray for them, and must also pray for the teachers who work in our schools and all those who work with young people.

## THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:  
**Simon P Murphy, Baby Romeo DeMello, Bernadette Moran,  
Fr Dominic Byrne, Pat Suckling, Zofia Moore.**

*+Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light  
shine upon them. Amen+*