

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTISMS

Our next Baptism course will take place on Saturday at 4pm in the church. Please contact Marcelle Jemide on the parish office phone or email before attending the course.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES 2023

SUNDAY 7TH MAY AT 2PM:

REHEARSAL for this Mass is on Tuesday 2nd May at 5.30PM prompt start to 6.30pm; in Church.

SATURDAY 13TH MAY AT 1PM:

REHEARSAL for this Mass is on Tuesday 9th May at 5.30PM prompt start to 6.30pm; in Church.

SUNDAY 21ST MAY AT 2PM:

REHEARSAL for this Mass is on Tuesday 16th May at 5.30PM prompt start to 6.30pm; in Church.

RCIC: Next session – Sunday 7th May, starting with the 11am Mass; followed immediately after with a session upstairs in the Parish Hall from 12noon – 1pm. The front seat in Church will be reserved for the RCIC Children.

CONFIRMATION: Next session on Tuesday 2nd May 2023 in the Parish Hall from 6pm – 7.15pm.

FUNERALS

For funeral arrangements, please contact the parish office and let us know the name of your loved one so that we can pray for his/her soul.

WEDDINGS

If you planning to get married, please call or send an email to the parish office. Couples wishing to marry here or in any Catholic Church need to give at least six months' notice of their intentions.

MASS TIMES

Monday 10am

Tuesday 10am

Wednesday *Communion Service* 10am

Thursday 10am

Friday 7pm

Saturday 10am

Saturday (Vigil) 7pm

Sunday 9am and 11am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 10.30am to 11.15am

Confessions

Saturday 10.30am to 11.15am

Saturday 6pm to 6.45pm

Please pray for those who has recently fallen asleep in peace with the Lord:

Sean Kennedy, Agostinha Jones, Thomas Joyce, Gerald Patrick Kelly, John Joseph Burke, Mary Teresa (Maureen) Kiernan, Timothy O'Connor, Shane Kennedy, Selina Fernandes, Thomas Ryan, Linda Christine Butt, Margaret Ann Ball, Annette Moore, Lawrence Fernandez, Florence Okocha, Philomen Fernandes, Thomas Cosgrove, Virgilio Manalo, Dorothy Williams, Lodovina Pereira, Margaret Carr, Mary Derham, Juliana Asare, Anne Williams, Ivonne Harris, Catherine Everette, Aliyah Cardoso, Scarlette Yeboah, Luis Blanco, Seamus Cronin, Jason Kyriakides, Desiree Ann Seechan, Lyra Richards, Patricia Dilaver, Victoria Nma Odilli, Valentina Cuenco and all our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in peace with our Lord.

Let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Amen



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Readings: Acts 2:14,36-51; Psalm 22 (23); 1Peter 2:20-21;
John 10:1-10

4th SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR
A- 30/04/2023

ONE BY ONE HE CALLS HIS OWN SHEEP AND LEADS THEM OUT.

This verse of today's gospel struck me particularly regarding this Sunday's theme: Vocations. The original Greek literally says, 'He calls his own sheep by name and makes them exit.'

There are three fundamental aspects about the notion of vocation present in this small sentence:

1) He calls. A vocation is not one's own initiative at first. The voice comes from outside of one-self and it is assumed or rejected in a free way by the receiver of the call. Hence, a vocation is the fruit of a relationship with the Lord who sets you on a journey that will be a gift for you and for those you will serve.

2) By name. God, who presents you with this project initially not of yours, is somebody who knows you personally. God knows us by name. He knows us even better than ourselves. 'For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.' (Jr 29: 11)

3) To exit. To leave, to exit, to be led out of a sheepfold. Which sheepfold? Which cage? The imprisoning sheepfold of living life only for oneself.

All vocations are fundamentally grounded in the universal vocation that we all have received from God: the vocation to Love. In which way is the Good Shepherd calling us to love? Jesus said it: love one another AS I HAVE LOVED YOU. (Jn 13: 34) The Priesthood is one pathway towards fulfilling this vocation of loving all men and women with the crucified and risen love of God whose nature is total self-giving. I personally think that I am not worthy or up to this job. Nevertheless, I feel hopeful at the thought that God does not necessarily chooses those who are capable but that he equips those he chooses. I consider it would be beautifully meaningful for a man to be a sign of the fatherhood of God and to spend one's life giving what we have received from the hands of the ministers of the Church: forgiveness of sins, Words of Hope, and the Sacraments.

Deacon Juan.

Sunday at St Francis De Sales Church

This week's Sanctuary lamp burning in honour of the Blessed Sacrament (Red) is offered for the repose soul of **John Ryall**.

This week's Sanctuary lamp burning in honour of Our Lady (blue) is offered for the intentions of **Hannah Shine**.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 9am Phillip Coffic RIP, Maria Angelica RIP **11am** Antoine Marcelin RIP, Peggy Taylor RIP (Livestream) **Monday 10am** Praise & Thanksgiving to God, In Thanksgiving to St Joseph, The Worker **Tuesday 10am** Juan David RIP, Tracy Murray INT **Thursday 10am** Michael Kebbie RIP, Special Intentions for married couples **Friday 7pm** James Shine RIP **Saturday 10am** Charlotte Ahmed Thanksgiving, Michael Nicol ANNIV **7pm** Aliyah Cardoso RIP, King Charles Coronation.

PARISH NEWS

DEACON JUAN SOLA'S ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

We are delighted to let you know that Rev. Juan Sola Garcia, have been accepted for Ordination to the Priesthood by Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster Diocese. Rev. Juan's Ordination will take place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 24th June 2023. The time will be confirmed in due time.

Many Congratulations Deacon Juan!

Please pray for Deacon Juan and all the Deacons from our Diocese as they prepare for their Priestly Ordination.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND 2023

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and our second collection will support the Priest Training Fund. Today we welcome Pablo Bacho, a seminarian from Allen Hall Seminary, who have been with us this year. He will make the appeal on behalf of the Seminary. There are currently 48 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 14 of whom are from our own Diocese, as well as two men studying in Rome and two in Valladolid. Last year five men were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests.

The fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your gift ensures we can provide training for these men responding to Christ's call to dedicate their lives to serve God's people. Please also pray for vocations and for all our priests. If you do not have a donation envelope, please use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for your generosity.

PLANNED-GIVING BOXES 2023-2024

The Planned Giving Boxes will be ready for collection. Please meet one of our parish finance committee members in the presbytery after Sunday Mass but our first preference is collection during weekdays from the Parish Office from 9am to 1pm or by appointment. Many thanks.

SPURS FOOTBALL MATCHES MAY 2023

Saturday 6th May at 15.00, Saturday 20th May at 12.30pm. Please be aware that parking restrictions are in place during these match dates. Please plan your journey and avoid getting a penalty when you come to Mass.

ST FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH MARRIAGE COURSE 2023

We are delighted to invite you to participate in the ongoing Marriage Course of our Parish on Thursdays 4th, 11th, 18th May, evening sessions at 8pm in the Parish Hall and concluding on Saturday 27th May from 11am to 4pm. All couples are welcomed, particularly those who are intending to get married in the following months.

ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 13th May 2023 at 2:30pm.

The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2023. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

Details of attendees are sent to family@rcdow.org.uk

PARISH FINANCES

PARISH PLANNED GIVING DONATIONS

At this trying time, we are receiving less donations due to the consequences of the global health crisis which restricts the number of people attending Sundays Masses. These are some ways you can support us and help us to grow more.

1. We kindly would like to invite you to consider registering to any of our Planned Giving Schemes. If you have not registered yet, please let us know by calling on 02088083554 or send an email tottenham@rcdow.org.uk and contact our Parish Administrator Elisabete Veselovska.
2. At present the best way to help us is by setting up a Bank Standing Order, see details below.
3. If you are a taxpayer, please consider making a GIFT AID declaration for your donations, to enable the parish to claim back 25p for every £1 you donate.
4. We would ideally like to reduce the use of cash due to further costs incurred and would request that instead, if you can donate by card at church by tapping on the contactless machines as you go out of church or consider donating online through our website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/tottenham/donate>. Our bank details are as below:

Account Name: WRCDT Tottenham

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account Number: 71264397

Thank you very much for your continued support and generosity.

DONATIONS:

We have received the previous week in Loose £532.21 Envelopes £168.85 Standing Orders (March) £3,735

ST FRANCIS DE SALES BUILDING FUND

To-date we have raised a total of £30,992.38. Thank you very much for your generosity.