

# ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH, BAYSWATER



*18 October 2020*

**Thought for the Week** “Within yourselves you will discover God’s boundless goodness in having taken on our likeness by the union the divine nature has effected with our human nature. Let our hearts explode wide open as we contemplate a flame and fire of love so great that God has engrafted himself into us and us

into himself. Oh, unimaginable love! This energy and love will lead you on and be your life.” *St. Catherine of Siena.*

## FORTHCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Our new **Mass schedule** is: Sunday 11am and 6pm, with a Saturday 6pm Mass counting for the Sunday, and a Portuguese Mass at 9am on Sundays. On all other days, Mass is at 12 noon, including Saturdays. We are unable to resume Children’s Liturgy at present but hope to do so soon.

The Church remains **open for prayer** from 8am till 6.30pm every day, and the Blessed Sacrament is exposed during most of that time. Many thanks to our volunteers who have enabled us to stay open. **Confessions** are heard before each Mass and after Mass. or by appointment at other times.

Sacramental Preparation for **First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion** will begin in early November. Parents are warmly invited to meet our new Catechetical Coordinator, Margaret Wickware and to hear our plans for the coming year. This meeting will take place in the Church from 6:30pm- 7:30pm on Tuesday, 3 November. Our first session for both parent and child will take place on Saturday, 7 November from 10am – 11am and monthly thereafter. For further information or questions, please contact Margaret at [margaretwickware@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:margaretwickware@rcdow.org.uk) If you have not already done so, please complete a registration form available at the back of Church and return it to Margaret, Fr. Keith or the parish office.

We need some **volunteers** to help Margaret with **preparation for first Holy Communion** on Saturday mornings once a month. Please speak to Fr. Keith if you could help.

**According to thy Word.** Join us on Wednesday evenings for small group reflection and discussion on Our Lady, with material written by Fr. Keith. 7pm in the Newman Room, cheese and wine provided.



We are looking for a couple of people to share the work of **Parish**

**Safeguarding Representative** as from January. If you are interested in helping with this important voluntary role, please contact Fr. Keith. The Safeguarding Representative is responsible for implementing correct safeguarding procedures in the parish, passing on any concerns to the diocese, and ensuring that all those working with children or vulnerable adults in the parish are properly cleared. Training will be given.

A collection will not be taken up at Mass until further notice. If you wish to **give to the support of the parish**, please use the baskets which are at the back of Church during weekend Masses. You can also give online or by Virgin Money Giving: please see our website for details.

For information about **baptisms, first holy communion, weddings and funerals**, please contact Fr. Keith.

We have begun a **parish prayer meeting** and welcome your input on how to develop it. Every Thursday at 7pm - 8pm in the Newman Room, St. Mary of the Angels. All ages and musicians and young people particularly welcome! Fr. Paul Teece and Michael Moloney have agreed to lead the meeting. Come and see! Tea & light refreshments afterwards.

**Planned Giving Envelopes** are available for this tax year. Please speak to Fr. Keith or call into the office if you have not got your box. Please let us know if you would like to order a set of envelopes for your weekly donation to the Church. Please also let us know if you no longer use them, and also if you Gift Aid your donation but are no longer paying income tax.

## OTHER NOTICES

Thank you for your generous donations to **CAFOD’s Family Fast Day**, dedicated to helping the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world who are facing the worst of the coronavirus crisis. We raised nearly £400.

A cross-party group of MPs have come together to bring forward the **Abortion (cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot) Bill**. The Bill will change the law to clarify that cleft palate,

cleft lip, and club foot are not grounds for abortion in the UK. Please visit [www.standupandsmile.org.uk](http://www.standupandsmile.org.uk) to email your MP asking them to support the Bill.

Caritas Westminster invites you to join us on Tuesday evenings for a special fortnightly forum, designed for and by **young adults**, to discuss **topical social issues** and how best to tackle them. The forums will run Tuesday evenings, fortnightly, 6.30pm - 7.30pm. The list of our proposed topics for the next few weeks is as follows: Migrant & Refugee Crisis (20/10/20); Food Poverty (3/11/20); Homelessness (1/12/20). If you would like to attend, email [josephkilsby@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:josephkilsby@rcdow.org.uk)

As of 24th October, the **Pauline Books & Media Centre** at



199 Kensington High Street will close. The sisters thank all the people over the past 55 years who have supported them. Orders will still be taken online at [www.pauline-uk.org](http://www.pauline-uk.org)

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 18:30, **Jesuit Refugee Services UK (JRS)** are hosting the next of their Accompaniment in Action online events and will be taking a closer look at the asylum system here in the UK. Michael and Bernadette will be on hand to explain how the asylum system works, some of the difficulties the friends of JRS face and answer your questions. Find out more and register: <https://www.jrsuk.net/news/accompaniment-in-action-event-asylum-explained/>

**Modern Slavery** affects millions of men, women and children worldwide and thousands are being exploited here in the UK. If someone is being forced to work for little or no pay, being forced into selling sexual services or being forced into criminal activity, they may be victims of modern slavery. By recognising the signs of modern slavery and knowing how to respond, you can support the most vulnerable people in our community and help prevent this crime. To mark Anti-Slavery Day, there is a free online workshop for community leaders to find out what modern slavery is and your role in tackling it. Thursday 22nd October; 10:30am - 12:00pm. To register your FREE place, go to: <https://modernslaveryawarenessworkshop.eventbrite.co.uk>

JRS UK are seeking to recruit a dynamic, experienced **Fundraising Officer** to develop JRS UK's individual giving portfolio UK, both through regular giving and one-off donations. This will involve acquiring new donors and working to develop an engaging donor journey, which encourages long-term support of JRS. Applications close: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October. For more information, visit: <https://www.jrsuk.net/work-with-us/>

During the Coronavirus pandemic **unborn babies and their mothers** have been at even greater risk of abortion. The Government's "pills through the post", brought in as Covid measure, means that over 23,000 women in England and Wales aborted their baby at home during lockdown. Please help SPUC (Society for the Protection of Unborn Children) to spread the truth about DIY abortion and save women and babies from the tragedy of abortion. Will you deliver **pro-life information leaflets** about DIY abortions door-to-door in your area? Every leaflet could make the difference to a vulnerable woman and save a baby's life. Please go to SPUC's website to learn more and order some leaflets. Or you can order leaflets by calling SPUC on 020 7091 7091.

**Marriage Care**, established in 1946 in response to the pressure on family relationships following the end of the Second World War, now offers support from trained counsellors to couples and families who need help in coping with the pressures of 'Lockdown'. Further information: <https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/marriageand-family-life/news/marriage-care-at-75---we-are-here-for-you/>

JRS UK urgently require **volunteer drivers** based in London to help continue delivering emergency food and toiletry parcels to destitute refugees across the city. If you have a car, some spare time and a desire to offer support to people in need during this difficult time, visit: [www.jrsuk.net/volunteer/](http://www.jrsuk.net/volunteer/)

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