



OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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Solemn Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows (Year C) 15th September

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Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Dolours – Mary's vocation as Mother of God began with her "yes" to God "Let what you have said be done to me" (Lk 1:38) from that moment she was intimately involved in the Life of Jesus. She carried him in her womb; she nourished him at her breast; she educated and formed him as a boy; she followed him all the way to Calvary and as his faithful disciple, stood by his cross and shared with him through her compassion the pain of his passion. "Standing by" a loved one at their hour of suffering is an act of deep love and faithfulness. There is little we can do, nothing we can say, but being there says everything and does all that is humanly possible. As Sr. Joyce Rupp OSM writes: "There is so much suffering in our world. Everywhere people stand beneath heartbreaking crosses as they experience the excruciating pain of watching someone suffer. Like Mary beneath the Cross of her beloved Son, all they can do is "be there" and wait with the one who is hurting". "Their painful situation asks us to patiently wait with them, to cheer them on in their valiant efforts, to extend mercy and forgiveness, to inform with kindness and understanding, and to be present in a non-judgmental way". Mary's stance and attitude inspires us all to "stand by" with faith, hope and love.

Today is Home Mission Sunday – Your offerings in our 2nd collection today will help support a number of evangelizing events in Homes and local communities in our Diocese.

Mass Times this week – Mass on Monday 16th September will be at 10am Only. Tuesday 17th to Saturday 21st September will be at 6.30pm Only.

School Feast – Our Patronal Feast day Mass of 'Our Lady of Sorrows' will be celebrated with and for our School Children on Monday 16th September at 10am. Our Lady of Sorrows pray for us.

First Holy Communion – Parents of children in Year 3 or older wishing to make their First Holy Communion this academic year should collect an application form from the Parish Office. This must be submitted with a Baptismal Certificate (if not baptised in our Parish). To accompany these, a £20 contribution towards the cost of the Holy Communion book and resources. Closing date is Sunday 22nd of September.

Baptismal Preparation Course – Due to take place on Tues 1st and Tues 8th October has been postponed until a later date. Once confirmed, it will be announced at Mass and in our Newsletter.

St Lorenzo Ruiz Feast Day: Is on September 29th at 3pm with a Feast Celebration after Mass. The Novena will be from 20th to 28th September, every evening at 7.30pm except Sunday 22nd which will be on at 6pm.

Interested in becoming a Catholic? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) A course will be held for adults who have not been baptised and would like to be, as well as for Christians of other denominations who would like to be received into the Roman Catholic Church, and Roman Catholics who have not been confirmed. Application forms for this programme are now available from the Parish Office.

GLASSDOOR Sleepout – Will be held at the Duke of York Square on Friday 4th October 2019. Find out more at GLASSDOOR.ORG.UK

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat	6.30pm
Sunday	8.30am
	10am
(Spanish)	11.15am
	12.15pm
	7pm
Mon	10am Only
Tues - Sat	6.30pm Only

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm
(Lunch 1.30pm – 2.30pm)

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Returns on Monday 2nd Sept.

Rosary: Wednesdays 10.30am, followed by Tea/Coffee in the Founders Room.

Legion of Mary – Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Library. New members are welcome!

Charismatic Prayer Group:

Every Thursday at 11am

Saints Days

Mon 16th – Ss Cornelius & Cyprian

Tue 17th – St Robert Bellarmine

Thu 19th – St Januarius

Fri 20th – Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Paul Chong Ha-sang

Sat 21st – St Matthew

Children's Liturgy – If you would like to get involved in our Children's Liturgy group, please email
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