



OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

21st January 2018

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Sunday Reflection:

"You must leave old ways behind..."

Today's Liturgy is very much about *moving on*, leaving old ways behind, rejection and detachment in the choice of following Christ. We move away from old ways without over defining what positive direction should take its place. The vocation or **call** to follow Jesus is not simply to replace one set of ways and attachments that are bad with another set of ways that happen to be good. The bad has to be replaced with simple and total attachment to **Jesus Christ... following Him** wherever He (and His Spirit) may lead – yes, even to Calvary, Martyrdom, or to Thabor, or Cana, or wherever! The **Call of Faith** means taking a risk, being ready and available to move on. It is not security seeking, far less the replacement of false securities with another collection of new securities, even religious ones. Of course **Jesus Christ** offers security – the only and simply reliable security that is valid – but it is not the self-planned, do-it-yourself security of "This World's Way".

Pax Christi – The 2nd collection this weekend is for the Pax Christi Appeal. It will support the great work of Pax Christi, the International Catholic movement for Peace. "Peace is not merely the absence of war... Peace results from that harmony built into human society by its divine Founder, and actualized by people as they thirst after greater justice" (Vat II- Gaudium et Spes).

First Holy Communion – Next Session will be on Sunday 28th January 2018 at 9am (Prompt) in the Servite School Hall. Children will then be brought to the 10am Mass Service in our Church. May the Lord bless us and guide us on this journey!

School Family Mass – Will be Next Sunday 28th January at the 10am Mass.

Confirmation Programme: For our young Parishioners began last Thursday night. We will celebrate their Confirmation on Thursday 14th June @ 6.30pm here in our Church with Bishop John Wilson. Let's pray for and encourage our young Parishioners as they engage and are disciplined on this exciting journey. Also thankful for their leaders and Catechists for their wisdom and dedication.

Toddler Group – Is back and on Tuesday Morning at 9.30am in the Founders Room. If you have any queries or would like to contact this group, you can do so on this email: servitetoddlers@gmail.com. All are Welcome!

Children's Liturgy Group 2018 – Is in the process of being set up. If you would like to get involved, please do send an email to fulhamroad@rcdow.org.uk

Thank You from Prisoners Sunday 2017 – "PACT – Prison Advice & Care Trust send their thanks for the £500 raised by the Parish on Prisoners' Sunday. The funds raised will enable Pact to continue to provide their vital services to prisoners, people with previous convictions, their children and families."

The Passage – Are holding a St. David's Day Concert in aid of The Passage at Methodist Central Hall, Westminster on Thursday 1st March at 7.30pm. For more details go to www.passage.org.uk Tel: 0207 592 1856 or email: info@passage.org.uk

Do you want to become a Teacher? The Cardinal Vaughan School on behalf of the RB TSA alliance will be holding an *initial Teacher Training Recruitment Fair* on 1st March 2018 from 5pm to 8pm. The fair will be held at The Cardinal Vaughan School, 89 Addison Road, W14 8BZ. If you are interested in attending this event, please email brooksh@cvms.co.uk or register at <https://rbtsa.tickets.eventbrite.co.uk>

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm

(Lunch Hour 1.30pm – 2.30pm)

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30pm

Sunday 8.30am

10am

(Spanish) 11.15am

12.15pm

7pm

Mon – Sat 10am

Sacrament of Confession

Mon - Fri 6.15 – 6.30pm

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15am

6.00 – 6.30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon – Fri 10.30 am – 11.15am

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: Is on Thursdays at 11am in the Founders' Room.

Saints Days

Mon 22nd – St. Vincent

Wed 24th – St. Frances de Sales

Thur 25th – The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Fri 26th – Sts Timothy and Titus

Sat 27th – St. Angela Merici

Amet Akolwin R.I.P – Amet's funeral Mass is on Thursday 25th Jan 12Noon.