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4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

28th January 2018

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Sunday Reflection: Response After several weeks of attention to *Vocation, Calling*, the Sunday liturgy moves to the other dimension of our baptismal commitment, namely our **response**. And the two concepts in today's readings are **listening** and **obedience**. **Listen** In Deuteronomy 18, Moses is inspired by God to foretell a great Prophet in the future who must be listened to. He will be **one of the brothers, one of us**, carrying the words of God himself. The **Psalm** insists upon listening, in contrast to a hardened heart. "O that today you would listen to his voice: harden not your hearts!". We often present **Mary** as the supreme example of listening to the Word of God, with her openness, readiness and availability. **Obedience** Jesus teaches in Capernaum with authority. He commands an unclean spirit to be silent, and is **obeyed**. It is worth considering that the word "obedience" is rooted in the two Latin words "ob" and "audire", which would mean "to go out of your way to listen". It is important to get to the root of the ideas of *listening* and *obeying*. *Listening* seems easy enough to understand. **Obedience** may be described as "giving yourself with complete trust". Jesus shows the way: "Although he was son, he learned to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect he became for all who obey *him* the source of eternal salvation..." (Hebr. 5:8-9). His obedience is characterized by trusting *love*.

Racial Justice Sunday - Is this weekend so the 2nd collection will go towards this essential work carried out on behalf of the Church. "In a world steeped in violence, conflict, and discrimination let us look at the values of the Gospel that speak of the dignity of the human person, the priorities of building peace, prosperity, just living for all and the appreciation of one another". (Catholic Bishop's Conference of England and Wales)

First Holy Communion - Next Session will be on this 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. **Meeting with Mary Crowley:** is on Tuesday 30th January at 7.30pm in the School Hall. May the Lord bless us and guide us on this journey!

School Family Mass - Is on Sunday 28th January at the 10am.

St Peregrine Mass - The healing Mass of St Peregrine is on next wed 31st January at 6.30pm. Come along to pray for all who are ill, especially those suffering from Cancer.

Confirmation Programme: Next Session will be on Thursday night 1st February at 7pm in the Founders Room. We will celebrate the 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 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

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

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

Wed 31st - St. John Bosco

Fri 2nd - The Presentation of the Lord

Sat 3rd - Ss Laurence, Dunstan & Theodore



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