



ST ANSELM'S NEWSLETTER

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NOTE: In case you are admitted to hospital, in light of data protection please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. State that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.

**5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER:
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Acts 6:1-7;

1 Peter 2:4-9 and

John 14:1-12

GIFT AID: If you are a UK taxpayer please consider GIFT AIDING your donation. The parish can reclaim 25p for every £1 donated. To join the Gift Aid scheme, or if you want an annual box of offertory envelopes, please give contact details to Finance Administrator in Parish Office

**PLANNING TO GET MARRIED
IN THIS COUNTRY OR****ABROAD, You Must Make**Contact with **Fr George****Thayriam S.J.** 6 Months

before the Date for Your

Wedding

**COUNSELLING IN ST
ANSELMS:**

Fr Thayriam is available to provide a counselling service in our parish. If you would like to meet with him please contact the Rectory or email thayriam123@gmail.com or phone 0208 574 3300 / 07405438543

MASS INTENTIONS: 3-10 MAY

Saturday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Colin Cawley (Anniv)
Sunday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Julie WaldronRIP Anthony Jesurasa Mary Varghese Intentions
Monday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Maria Marks RIP
Tuesday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Anthony Fernandes
Wednesday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	For those working in the National Health Service Constancio Pereira RIP
Thursday 10 a.m.	Private Requiem Mass	Mariam Fernandes Intention
Friday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Peter Vaz RIP, Godfrey and Mohan Fernandez RIP
Saturday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 10 a.m.	Private Mass	Teresa Abraham RIP, Alphonso Noel RIP, Edwin De Souza RIP

NOTICES

Because of the Coronavirus situation the Funeral of Antonio Fernandes, will take place privately on Monday 11 May with only his immediate family and the Priest at the Graveside. Please keep him and his family in your prayers particularly in this difficult situation.

Vocations To The Priesthood And Religious Life:

Jesuit Vocations Have you ever considered you might have a call to be a Jesuit Priest or Brother? Find out more from the British Jesuits' Vocation Director, Fr. James Conway SJ Email: vocations@jesuit.org.uk or visit www.jesuit.org.uk/becomingajesuit for more details

Archdiocese of Westminster Have you ever considered you might have a call to be a Diocesan Priest in the Archdiocese of Westminster. Fr Stephen Wang is the Director of Vocations to the Priesthood in the Diocese of Westminster. Email: swang@universitycatholic.net Address: Newman House 111 Gower Street London WC1E 6AR Tel: 020 7387 6370 Website: <http://rcdow.org.uk/vocations>

Today Sunday Is Good Shepherd Sunday When The Church Celebrates The World Day Of Prayer For Vocations. As we pray earnestly for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, let's remember that every single one of us has a vocation. Each one of us is called to follow Christ in our own unique way. All we have to do is: LISTEN, DISCERN, and LIVE. Listen: because God often speaks quietly. If we don't listen, God's voice can get drowned out by the distractions of daily life. But we also need to discern what we hear, Where does it come from and where is it leading us? Closer to God? Or away from God? We need to discover what God's call is for us, each one of us. That done, we then have to live the specific vocation that God has for us, every day. Vocation is TODAY.

The Priest Training Fund Collection The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund (WEEF) would normally be taken up this weekend. But, because of the coronavirus pandemic all our churches are closed and so no collection can be made. This fund supports the men who are in training for the priesthood and who will serve us as priests in our diocese. The very encouraging news is that there are now more men training for the priesthood than for many years. The number of men coming forward has grown rapidly in recent years. Our prayers for more priests really are being answered and it is now up to us to ensure that there is enough money to cover the cost of their training. The preparation of new priests takes six years and this work depends on our donations. Donations to the Priests' Training Fund are always gratefully received. If you wish to make a donation, please visit the donation page at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations.

Father Gerard writes: Children's Liturgy To help us during this time when the church is closed, a new Sunday Liturgy for families with children of primary school age has been created by Al and Pearl Johnson. They are parents of two young boys in our parish. I do very warmly recommend it to you. There will be a short children's liturgy every Sunday focussing on the key message of the Gospel Reading to encourage the children of our parish to participate more fully in the

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW LIVING WITH DOMESTIC

ABUSE? You have a right to be free and safe. For confidential advice and support call: 08082000247. freephone 24 Hour National Domestic Violence Helpline, run in partnership between Women's Aid and Refuge.

FOR DIOCESAN JOB VACANCIES

visit <https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/> where you can view all current vacancies. New jobs are regularly added to the site as they arise.

Eucharistic celebration. We hope that it will be a valuable time of prayer and formation for families. It will be posted on the Parish website (www.stanselmchurchsouthall.com) at 10 a.m. each Sunday and will also be sent on whatsapp

Hospital Contacts And Last Rites: If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals do please let the hospital catholic chaplain know. He will then minister to you. This is especially so now when most of the sacraments are no longer available to us. In most cases we are not able to administer the sacrament of the sick, or reconciliation or holy communion. The chaplaincy team in hospital have the necessary permissions to administer all the necessary sacraments, as well as offering support to those seriously affected by the virus.

May is Mary's Month: Pope Francis institutes new prayers to Our Lady In his letter on the month of May, Pope Francis has provided two new prayers which he encourages us to recite at the end of the Rosary and are included in full below. Especially in this month where we express devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the pope encourages us to 'pray the Rosary at home within the family', recognising that 'the restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.'

First Prayer: O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith. "Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

Second Prayer: In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the front-line of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realise that we are all members of one great family and to recognise the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

Coronavirus Crisis Do you need help? If you need help, please let the parish know and we can try to find someone to help you. Parish Telephone Number :020 8574 3300 email southall@rcdow.org.uk

Coronavirus Ealing Council Help Line "If you have concerns for anybody in your community, for yourself or the community generally, the helpline staffed by Ealing Council operates Monday- Friday from 9am-5pm | Saturday 10am-

4pm | Telephone Number: 020 8825 7170 | Out-of-hours, call the emergency line Telephone Number: 0208 825 5000.

Catholic Bishops' Conference Of England And Wales Coronavirus No Public Masses Or Services Following the advice of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, there will be no public Masses or services from Friday evening, 20 March 2020, until further notice.

There will be no public Masses or public gatherings in the Church until further notice.

Fr Gerard or Fr Thayriam will celebrate Mass privately each day. The mass will be filmed and made available on the Parish Website www.stanselmchurchsouthall.com. by 10.30 a.m. each morning.

For those not on the internet it is a bit more difficult to get access to Mass. There are regular celebrations of Mass broadcast by RTE (Irish) Radio and they are accessible herein the UK on a standard radio, on 252 Long Wave. The full quota of Holy Week ceremonies will be broadcast on RTE. More detail is available from roger.childs@rte.ie.

Please note that all Mass Intentions will still be said on the requested day by a priest at a private mass.

Spiritual Communion: For those unable to receive Holy Communion, here is a Spiritual Communion you can use: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unit myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

The Sunday Collection and Parish Finances: Fr Gerard writes: The coronavirus pandemic situation has led to the closure of Churches and without Sunday Mass Collections, which is the main source of income for the Church, we must keep closer than usual watch on parish finances. As our personal and family budgets have not stopped because of the coronavirus situation, so our parish has to keep paying its bills. If you can help in anyway - and we realise that this simply may not be possible, we would be so grateful.

Planned Giving Envelopes I have received a number of enquiries from people concerned about offertory envelopes. We were due to distribute new offertory envelopes for April 2020 - April 2021 but it was not possible to do so before we had to close the church. If you can, we would ask you to just keep safe the offertory envelopes in your possession and each week put your offering aside safely at home and bring the envelopes and offerings to the church whenever the Church reopens and we may gather again to celebrate Mass

Standing Orders: Some people have asked for our Bank details as now there is no collection at Mass each week. You can make a one-off donation but we would really appreciate it if you are someone who gives regularly, if you would take out a standing order with your Bank. We can send you the form. Email me on southall@rcdow.org.uk and we will sent it to you.

Parish Bank Account details: WRCDDT - St. Anselm Southall Account

Sort Code: 40-05-20 | Account No. 91308505 | Address: 69 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EY | Ref: Donation / your

Donating Online: You can still continue to support the parish by donating online. In order to do this please use the Donate button on the parish website which will take you to a secure Virgin Money Giving donation form. You can donate either with a credit/debit card or a PayPal account. If you are a UK taxpayer you can add 25p to every £1 that you give through Gift Aid. If you are donating by Virgin Money, please tick the Gift Aid box as you make your donation.

All Confirmation and First Holy Communion Classes have been cancelled.

Family & Children's Prayer Resources and Activities If you are interested in this receiving activities for your family during this time, please get in touch with Jo via email: jommarsh@rcdow.org.uk

God Who Speaks': A Year of the Word 2019-20:

1. **Weekly Parish Lectio Divina Podcast** available on the parish website on Thursdays each week. Once a week we will have a short session in the church after Morning Mass on Tuesdays in which we will prepare for the following Sunday's Mass by reading and reflecting prayerfully on the readings, particularly the Gospel. We shall follow the practice of Lectio Divina. Those who are notable to attend are invited to participate by listening in to a weekly podcast of the session which will be broadcast on Thursdays. It is hoped eventually that these podcasts will be broadcast in Konkani, Malayalam, Tamil and Urdu.

All EU, EEA and Swiss citizens living in the UK are required by the government to apply through its Settlement Scheme to continue living, working and accessing services here. The deadline for applications is 30 June 2021. Details and links to the application process can be found at: gov.uk/eusettledstatus Please bring this to the attention of friends, family members and fellow parishioners who may need to apply. Information on assistance for those who may have difficulty applying is available at: gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme The Catholic Church in England and Wales stands in solidarity with all European citizens who have made their homes here. They are a valued part of our parishes, schools and communities.

'Going to Hospital' The Hospital Chaplain used to have access to the list of patients on a ward. That is no longer the case and either the person themselves or family or friends must let the Chaplain know if you would like a visit or Communion.