



## OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020

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**Vigil Mass:** Sat 6.30pm  
Sunday 9.30am  
11.30am  
Mon, Wed & Fri 10am

### Sacrament of Confession

By Appointment

If you would like Confession, please email, or call the Parish Office.

### Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm

### Saints Days

Tue 8<sup>th</sup> – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> – St Peter Claver

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> – The Most Holy name of Mary

### **Safeguarding**

**Representatives** – We Welcome Dorota Trawinska & Alexia Carter who are our Safeguarding Representatives. For Safeguarding concerns, please contact them in confidence on their contact details which is on our website and in the Colonnade.

**Volunteer Stewards** – If you would like to volunteer to become a steward, please contact the Parish office or a Priest. Stewards need to be between 18 and 70 years and not clinically vulnerable. The more Volunteers we have the more our Church can open.

**Sunday Reflection:** “Correct the One you love” Our actions can have wider implications and affect others. We share a collective responsibility for the common good. Today’s gospel focuses on how best to correct an erring brother and sister. Wholesome living is not possible without “correction” and “forgiveness”. We belong together in community. When someone hurts or offends me I have a number of options: I can brood over the hurt and store it up in my memory and wait for the day I can get even with that person; I can strike back and get revenge; I can allow the whole affair to fester in my heart. There must be a Christian response to this kind of situation. Jesus advocates the approach of dialogue: go and confront the person – “have it out with him alone”. If this does not work, then “take a few friends with you”. If he refuses to listen, then hand the matter over to the community. But notice Jesus really proposes resolution through dialogue and discussion. The whole purpose in dialogue is not to humiliate but to be reconciled with him. The truly Christ-like community is “a reconciled community”, and not a storehouse of hurts. Jesus reminds us that we take responsibility for one another. Belonging to a community implies being concerned for the wellbeing of one another. Christ is the bond that unites us – “where two or three meet in my name. I shall be there with you”. It is Christ who draws us together and holds us together. St Paul in our 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading underlines the message: “You must love your neighbour as yourself”. “Love is one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour”. When you love someone, you can even dare to correct him/her.

**Masses** – Precautions are in place and these are aimed at ensuring maximum safety and peace of mind among those who worship and pray at our Servite Church. We ask that you sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the Church and that you complete a slip for tracing purposes. Please leave this slip on your seat when leaving and if you change seats you will need to fill out 2 slips. Where you sit needs to be sanitised. Also, please do not move kneelers, leave them up (it will be less to clean).

**Spanish Mass:** Recommences on this Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 12.30pm.

**Our Lady of Sorrows Feast** – Will be celebrated on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September

**St Lorenzo Ruiz Feast Day Celebration** On Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm.

**First Holy Communion & Confirmation Programme 2019/2020** – Re the completion of these programmes, once it has been decided how/when to complete them, Candidates and Families will be contacted.