



OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year C)

18th September 2016

Mass Times

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

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday	10.45 – 11.15 am
	6.00 – 6.30 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon – Fri 10.30 am – 11.15 am

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

Legion of Mary – Every Tuesday
at 7pm. Tel: 0207 352 6965
Contact cdewinton@gmail.com

Lectio Divina – Every Saturday
at 11am in the Founders' Room.

Charismatic Prayer Group –
Every Thursday 11am in the
Founders' Room.

Saints Days

Mon 19th – St Januarius
Tues 20th – Sts Andrew Kim Tae-
gon & Paul Chong Ha-Sang
Wed 21st – St Matthew
Fri 23rd – St Pius of Pietrelcina
Sat 24th – Our Lady of
Walsingham

Total Offertory collection last
Sunday was £1,660 and the
Second collection for "Catholic
Education" was £542. Thank you
for your support & generosity.

A Day with Mary: Sat 1st Oct 16
at Our Lady of Mount Carmel &
St. George, London Rd, Enfield.

Sunday Reflection – In the year 760 B.C., a sheep farmer called Amos, hears a call from God which asks him to go and speak some home-truths in the Northern Kingdom of Israel about the deep division between rich and poor in that society. The prophet is a spokesperson for God, who doesn't mince his words and tells it as it is. He is not welcome because he is critical of a people who religiously allows injustice to flourish in their midst. He confronts them with supposedly loving God in worship while ignoring the neighbors' needs. In the Gospel we meet the prophet Jesus also speaking about the effects money can have on human beings. Endless accumulating of money enslaves the heart and leads to greed and possessiveness. He too is frank and clear: "You cannot be slave both of God and of money". Jesus goes on to say that if 'you cannot manage money well, then you cannot manage genuine riches and values of the kingdom'. He tells a parable which on first hearing may appear to support dishonesty, but on a deeper level we see that the steward is commended for his astuteness and not for his dishonesty. With an uncertain future looming before him, the steward takes firm action to secure his future by making friends for himself. Both Amos and Jesus emphasize the twin commands of the Covenant of love of God and love of neighbor. Worship of God should always shape and influence our behavior. When money speaks it should always shape and influence our behavior. When money speaks it should speak of love, justice and sharing.

Our Church & Parish Feast – We had a lovely celebration on Thursday 15th Sept 2016. The 10am Mass was attended by Our School children. We were delighted to welcome Bishop John Sherrington to celebrate our 6.30pm Mass with our Community and Parish. During this Mass, we celebrated the Investiture of one of our Parishioners, Dr Mary Remnant as 'a Dame of St. Gregory', honouring her great contribution to Church Music and History both here and at the Oratory. A wonderful Reception followed in the School Hall. Our thanks to all who contributed to our Celebration of our Feast.

Community Changes – At the recent meeting of the Provincial and Council, it was decided that Fr Vincent Coyne OSM should move to the Kersal Community in Manchester and that Fr Paul Addison OSM, should move to our Servite Community here at Fulham Road. Fr Paul is no stranger to us as he has served for many years here at Fulham Road. We welcome him back with open arms and a warm heart. We are sorry to have to say "farewell" to Fr Vincent. We want to thank him most sincerely for his kind presence and his generous ministry and availability. In being grateful for all he gave us in these three years, we wish him every blessing and happiness in Manchester and especially in his responsibility as 'Assistant Provincial'. We pray for Frs Paul and Vincent at this time.

1st Holy Communion Programme – Application forms are now available from the Parish Office. Parents who wish their child to receive 1st Holy Communion are asked to collect the form from the Parish office and return the completed form as soon as possible. The closing date is Sunday 9th October 2016. The programme will commence on Sunday 16th October 2016, so please collect your form this week.

St Lorenzo Ruiz Feast Day: September 25th at 3pm. The novena started on 16th of Sept and will continue unto 24th Sept, every evening at 7.30pm (Sunday it will be at 6pm).

Evangelization Initiatives – Some young mums are initiating a mother and toddler group as an evangelization initiative in our Parish. They plan to meet every Tues morn at 9.30am in the parish hall over tea and coffee. This will start on 27th Sept. All Welcome!

Africarian Womens Group – Meets once every month to socialize and share their cultural & faith values. Please phone Sr. Clementina in the parish office to find out more details if you are interested.

Parish Council – We had a good and lively Parish Council meeting on Tues 6th Sept. The meeting was well attended and some of the Committees had already got down to work. At our last meeting, concern was expressed about 'Post Brexit' Brexit. Henry Stovell, as a member of the Social Justice Committee wrote to our local MP Mr. Greg Hands about the issue. Mr. Hands sent a sympathetic reply; a copy is now available on our Notice Board. We thank Mr. Hands for his understanding letter. The next Parish Council meeting is 27th Oct.