



# OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year C)

31<sup>st</sup> July 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  
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**Lectio Divina** – Every Saturday  
at 11am in the Founders' Room.

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

## Saints Days

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> – St Alphonsus Liguori  
Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> – St Eusebius of  
Vercelli, St Peter Julian Eymard  
Thur 4<sup>th</sup> – St John Vianney  
Fri 5<sup>th</sup> – Dedication of St. Mary  
Major

Total Offertory collection last  
Sunday was £1,143.58 and the  
Second collection for  
“Restoration Trust Fund” was  
£425.35. Thank you for your  
support & generosity.

**Sunday Reflection:** – An old saying states, “Where there’s a Will, there’s a family quarrel!” Sadly, there is a lot of truth in it. Wills and inheritance can cause so much division and pain amongst families and many such divisions can be difficult to heal. Today’s Gospel story highlights such a situation. Jesus is invited to resolve a quarrel between two brothers. He refuses to act as judge. Instead he focuses on why the inheritance has divided the two brothers. To reinforce the point he tells a story about a rich farmer, who agonizes about his abundance of riches. This man allows himself to be defined by what he owns. He is not alone. A modern mentality encourages the accumulation of possessions so as to ensure security and identity. People and indeed Nations indulge in stockpiling resources solely for ourselves, thereby excluding others from a share in such resources. Undoubtedly some money and material possessions are necessary for our development. However, the teaching presented by Jesus concentrates on making ourselves rich in the sight of God. Jesus is at pains to teach the truth that all the resources of this world are given by God to meet the needs of all His children and not to serve greed. Avarice is condemned because it isolates and creates a false security. The man in the story is called ‘a fool’, ‘a real idiot’, ‘an idiot’, meaning “the one who is alone”. He has cut himself off from other members of God’s family. He refuses to live like his maker, who gives himself away. This sad man does not know how to share. In Jesus we see someone who spends himself in sharing and giving. In such living he creates new life for others.

**Interested in becoming a Catholic?** – Each year, our Parish runs a course from September until after Easter for adults who have not been baptized and would like to be, as well as for Christians of other denominations who would like to be received into the Roman Catholic Church, and Roman Catholics who have not been confirmed. The course is known as R C I A (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Application forms for next year’s programme are now available from the Parish Office. Closing date for applications is on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

**Parish Council** – Our Parish Councillors can now be recognized in Church each Sunday as they wear a lapel badge so you may share your ideas and concerns with them. The next P.C. meeting is fixed for 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2016 at 7.30pm in Small Hall. In the meantime commissions can get on with their work if it is convenient for them. You may be asked to join one of the commissions’.

**A Day with Mary** – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2016 at St James, Spanish Place, London W1.

**Day of Prayer** – This is on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August from 12 to 5pm at St. Charles Borromeo Church, 8 Ogle Street W1W 6HS. “Adoration, Praise, Intercession & Mass”: Fr. Christopher Metzger CFR will lead this day of prayer! “Come Holy Spirit .....”

**Pact** – Pioneers the BaCC (Basic Caring Community) project, which helps ex-offenders settle back into the local community. The scheme operates in the London and Bristol areas. Ultimately, it is hoped to extend Basic Caring Communities all over the UK. Each group is made up of four volunteers motivated by their Christian faith, and an ex-offender who has chosen to participate. Training is provided. Do read poster on Notice boards.

**Caritas Westminster:** A Mass for all Volunteers will be celebrated at 2pm on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September in Westminster Cathedral. All volunteers are welcome. The Principal Celebrant will be, His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols.

**Please Note** – During the summer holidays, there are gaps in some activities in the parish eg. Readers, Altar Servers, cleaners etc., Please make yourself known to the presiding Priest before Mass if you can help.

**Summer Accommodation in London** – Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea offer comfortable rooms in central London in July and August. Beautiful gardens and chapel. Rooms from £50 per night. Email: [allenhall@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:allenhall@rcdow.org.uk) or Tel: 02073495600

**Flora Kellway Rip** – Flora was a well-known Parishioner. Her Requiem Memorial Mass will take place here in our Parish Church on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 2pm. In accordance with her wishes Flora was laid to rest with her dear husband in Bath this week. Please pray for their eternal rest.