

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year C) 24th Feb 2019

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Mass Times

 Vigil Mass: Sat
 6.30pm

 Sunday
 8.30am

 10am

 (Spanish)
 11.15am

 12.15pm
 7pm

 Mon - Sat
 10am

 6.30pm

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm (Lunch 1.30pm – 2.30pm)

Sacrament of Confession

Mon - Fri 6.15 – 6.30pm Saturday 10.45 – 11.15am

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Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Mon-Fri 10.30am – 11.15am
Rosary: Wednesdays 10.30am
followed by Tea/Coffee in the
Founders Room.

<u>Legion of Mary:</u> Every . Tuesday at 7pm in the Library. New members are welcome!

<u>Charismatic Prayer Group</u>: .. on Thursdays at 11am in the Founders' Room.

Saints Days

Fri 1st – St David Sat 23rd – St Polycarp

Children's Liturgy Group:

On Sunday 3rd March at 10am. Queries to: servitechildrensliturgy@gmail. com

Sunday Reflection - We are told that Confusius said: "Do unto others before they do unto you". Sadly, many of our human disputes and differences are resolved in this way. Jesus enters our World and declares openly: "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly" (LK 6:27f) Jesus' approach to human disputes is revolutionary and challenging. Retaliation and revenge are not his recipe for settling disputes and differences. The kind of morality Jesus is advocating refuses to pay back violence with violence. This is a world away from our prevailing cultural attitudes. Jesus believes that 'hatred' can only be overcome by 'Love'; injury can only be healed by forgiveness; evil can only be controlled and conquered by goodness. Here we have the essence of Jesus' Gospel of 'Love'. He challenges humanity 'to put Love' where there is 'no love'. To follow and live the teaching of Jesus we have to be in touch with the Divine, and to be open to the Spirit of Love which ultimately comes from God. Jesus honoured His teaching and put it into practice in His own life. While dying on the cross after his crucifixion, He prayed; Father forgive them they know not what they do! (LK 23:34) What a wonderful world! Truly, a world Redeemed!

Candidates Received – Last Sunday at the 7pm Mass, 5 new Candidates presented themselves for acceptance into the order of Catechumens. They are now on a journey of preparation for Baptism and for full Communion with the Catholic Church. We welcome these good people in our midst and assure them of our prayers and support. As a Community of faith, we promise to walk with them and to be a light for them on their journey to full faith. God Bless them on their journey.

RCIA – There will be the Rite of sending forth of the Catechumens and the Candidates on Sunday, 3rd March 2019 at the 7pm Mass. Please Welcome and support them.

Parish Council – We haven't had a meeting for some time. We did not have enough members present at the last two meetings to vote on matters raised. We now give plenty of Notice for the next meeting. This is on Thursday 7th March at 7.30pm. If elected-members cannot be present, please inform the parish Office well in advance. We trust all members and other Parishioners will attend.

Catholic Union of Great Britain – Invite you to a Mass celebrated by Cardinal Vincent Nichols on Thursday 28th February at 6pm, Farm Street Jesuit Church, followed by a Reception in the Hall. If attending the Reception, please register on 02087491321 or info@catholicunion.org.uk

Getting Married Soon: We remind all desiring to celebrate Sacramental Marriage that six months' notice is required for the completion of preparations and formalities. Those intending to marry abroad should note this in particular.