



## OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Year C) 19<sup>th</sup> May 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
	6.00 - 6.30pm

### **Adoration of Blessed Sacrament**

Mon-Fri 10.30am - 11.15am

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

**Legion of Mary** - Every  
Tuesday at 7pm in the Library.  
New members are welcome!

**Charismatic Prayer Group:** Is  
on Thursdays at 11am in  
the Founders' Room.

### **Saints Days**

Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> - St Bernadine of Sienna
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup> - St Christopher Magallanes
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> - St Rita of Cascia
Sat 25 <sup>h</sup> - St Bede the Venerable

**Sunday Reflection** - When someone we love dies, that person's last words to us take on a deep significance. We treasure those words in our hearts. Such words assume an eternal significance and keep us in touch with the person long after that person has left us. This is how we are to understand the final words of Jesus to his disciples at the end of the Last Supper "My little children... I give you a new commandment: "love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another". This was Jesus' last Will and Testament to his followers. Loving one another was to be their distinguishing characteristic. They would assume Jesus' identity and live it by 'loving one another'. Jesus had revealed God to his disciples as 'a God of unconditional love'. Jesus passes that to his disciples and commands them to retain that gift of love and share it amongst themselves. This is the vision Jesus leaves with them which he believes will create 'the new Heaven and the New Earth'. How we long for such a new earth when we witness such dreadful things happening in our world? So many events reveal an absence of love. Our first reading gives us an example of the Gospel in action. Barnabas means "son of encouragement". Paul was having a difficult time convincing the Apostles that he was 'a genuine convert' so Barnabas offered him friendship and encouragement and helped with his acceptance and integration into the group of disciples. Together they 'put fresh heart into the disciples', and fulfilled the plan of Jesus, "everyone will know you are my disciples". "Lord, help us build a world governed by love and compassion".

**Confirmation Programme:** 5<sup>th</sup> Session will be on this Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May from 4pm at Allen Hall followed by 7pm Mass.

**Who cares? Responding to the cry of the Earth: Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May** - Caritas Westminster invites you to an evening of practical suggestions for how your parish can respond to the environmental crisis. There will be contributions from local and national organisations including CAFOD, CaFE, the Felix Project and more. The event will be from 6.30pm to 8.30pm with refreshments at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN. To get your free ticket email [caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk) or call 0207 931 6077.

**The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord** - This Feast is celebrated on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses in our Church on that day will be Wed. 29<sup>th</sup>: Vigil Mass of the Ascension at 6.30pm and on the Feast, Masses will be at 10am and 6.30pm. Ascension Thursday is a wonderful Feast marking Jesus' return to His Father in Heaven.

**Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony** - Westminster Cathedral, Sat 8<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 3pm - The Cardinal is inviting all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2019. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy your details, names address, email or telephone number.