

# OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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**6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR. A 15<sup>TH</sup> FEB. 2026**

## Sunday Reflection

The readings for the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, emphasize the freedom to choose between good and evil, the wisdom of God's commandments and the necessity of living with honesty, love and self-control. We are encouraged to make conscious choices that reflect our love for God and for one another.

The 1<sup>st</sup> reading from the Book of Sirach 15:15-20, reminds us that our choices are paramount, and we are given the freedom to choose between life and death, good and evil. These choices are not just about external actions, but about the intention and disposition of our hearts.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 2:6-10, we see that the wisdom of God transcends human understanding. It reveals truths that are hidden from the wise and prudent, inviting us to seek a deeper connection with God that can only be attained through the Spirit. Here, we are reminded that God has prepared great things for those who love Him not merely in the after life but in the fullness of life here and now.

The Gospel is taken from Matthew 5:17-37, Jesus reinterprets the law, highlighting its deeper meaning. He insists that goodness must surpass mere external compliance. Anger, lust and broken promises are not just matters of actions, but issues of the heart. He invites us to examine our inner lives to confront our anger, to cultivate purity and to be faithful in our commitments. This is a call to integrity, where our words and actions must resonate with the truth that God's love inspires within us.



**First Holy Communion** – The 9<sup>th</sup> session is on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2026 (Thursday) 3:45pm-4:45pm at the Church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026 (Saturday) at 11:00 am.

**Confirmation** – The 4<sup>th</sup> session will be on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (Saturday) 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM - a Whole Day Retreat at Religious of the Assumption, 20 Kensington Square, London W8 5HH. ALL MUST ATTEND.

**Feast of the Seven Holy Founders** – The Servite Order will be celebrating the Feast of the Seven Holy Founders on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026 (Tuesday). The masses will be at 10:00 am and 6:30 PM. All are invited to join us in this celebration.

**Ash Wednesday** – will be on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Masses as usual at 10 AM and 6:30 PM.

**The Stations of the Cross** – Every Friday of Lent after the 6:30 PM Mass starting on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

**Appeal for the Lighting System** – Our parish church had made a major repair to the electrical lighting system that costs £40,000. We sincerely appeal for your generous support. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

**Mass Collections (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> February 2026)** – £1,034 was received in the main collection, and £509 in the second collection for Church Restoration. Thank you for your faithful kindness and wholehearted support.

## Mass Times

**Vigil Mass:** Sat 6.30 pm  
Sunday 9.30 am  
11.00 am  
Spanish Mass 12.30 pm  
6.30 pm  
Mon to Sat 10am & 6.30 pm

## Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15 am  
6.00 – 6.30 pm  
Mon – Fri 6:15 – 6:30 pm

## Parish Office Opening Hrs

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

## Rosary

Every Wednesday after  
10am Mass followed by Tea  
in the Founders Room.

- Rosary also held  
on Sundays at 3pm  
in the Colonnade.

## Legion of Mary

Every Tuesday at 7pm in the  
Parlour.

## Holy Hour

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month after  
10am Mass. The hour will include  
Rosary, Litany Divine Mercy &  
Benediction.

## Saints Days

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup>** – St. Gilbert of Sempringham

**Tue 17<sup>th</sup>** – Seven Founders of  
the Servite Order

**Ash Wed 18<sup>th</sup>** – Bl. John of Fiesole

**Thu 19<sup>th</sup>** – Bl. Elizabeth of Mantua

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup>** – Sts. Jacinta and Francisco  
Marto

**Sat 21<sup>st</sup>** – St. Peter Damian



## St. Peregrine Mass of Healing

Our next St. Peregrine Mass of  
Healing is on 25<sup>th</sup> February at  
6.30pm.

## Relic of St. Carlo Acutis

Exposition of this Relic on every  
Monday after our 10am Mass.

**St. Carlo Acutis, Pray for us.**

Having fed upon these heavenly delights, we pray, O Lord, that we may always long for that food by which we truly live. Through Christ our Lord.

## FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet

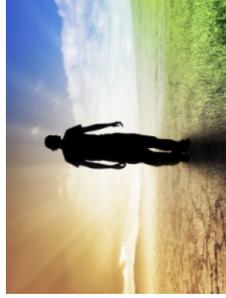
Sirach

15:15-20

If you desire, you will keep the commandments, and to act faithfully is a matter of choice. He has placed before you fire and water: stretch out your hand for whichever you wish. Life and death are in front of people, and whichever one chooses will be given to him. For great is the wisdom of the Lord; he is mighty in power and sees everything; his eyes are on those who fear him, and he knows a person's every deed. He has not commanded anyone to be ungodly, and he has not given anyone permission to sin.

**The word of the Lord.**

**All: Thanks be to God.**



## RESPONSORIAL

Ps 119(118):1-2. 4-5. 17-18. 33-34. R.1b

**R. Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord!**

1. Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord!  
Blessed are those who keep his decrees!  
With all their hearts they seek him. **R**
2. You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept. May my ways be firm in keeping your statutes. **R**
3. Deal bountifully with your servant, that I may live and keep your word. Open my eyes, that I may see the wonders of your law. **R**
4. Lord, teach me the way of your statutes, and I will keep them to the end.  
Grant me insight that I may keep your law, and observe it wholeheartedly. **R**

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year A) 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026

### SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians  
2:6-10

Brothers and Sisters: Among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, 'What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him' — these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.

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### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, who have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children.*

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel

according to Matthew 5:17-37

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfil them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'

## NICENE CREED—See Laudate 479 (205)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (All bow for following three lines)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

'You have heard that it was said to those of old, "You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgement." But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgement; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, "You fool!" will be liable to the hell of fire. So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

'You have heard that it was said, "You shall not commit adultery." But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell.

'It was also said, "Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce." But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

'Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, "You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn." But I say to you: Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let what you say be simply "Yes" or "No"; anything more than this comes from evil.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**All: Glory to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.**

