

Liturgical Calendar	
<b>Sun:</b>	<b>Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Isaiah 56:1-7; Romans 11:13-32; Matthew 15:21-28
<b>Mon:</b>	<b>St Pius X, Pope</b> 1 Thessalonians 2:2-8; John 21:15-17
<b>Tue:</b>	<b>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> Isaiah 9:1-7; Luke 1:26-38
<b>Wed:</b>	<b>Feria; St Rose of Lima, Virgin</b> Judges 9:6-15; Matthew 20:1-16
<b>Thu:</b>	<b>St Bartholomew, Apostle</b> Apocalypse 21:9-14; John 1:34-51
<b>Fri:</b>	<b>Feria; St Louis; St Joseph Calasanz, Priest</b> <i>(Friday abstinence)</i> Ruth 1:1-22; Matthew 22:34-40
<b>Sat:</b>	<b>Feria; Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God, Priest; Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</b> Ruth 2:1-4:17; Matthew 23:1-12
<b>Sun:</b>	<b>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Isaiah 22:19-23; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20

**Becoming a Catholic**  
RCIA is aimed at anyone who has been considering becoming a Catholic. The programme based at Farm Street, Mayfair is conducted by experienced lay parishioners, priests and religious sisters. There are twelve sessions held twice a month beginning on 21st October and finishing on 23rd March. If you are interested in doing RCIA, please email [rcia.farmstreet@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.farmstreet@gmail.com) for an application form.

**MARCH FOR LIFE**  
The annual UK March for Life will take place on **Saturday 2nd September**. The theme this year is 'Freedom to Live'. 'Many are concerned about restrictions on freedoms but it's often not until these restrictions affect us personally that we speak up. Sadly, those who have their most fundamental freedom taken from them, by abortion, cannot speak for themselves – this is why we march. For our nation to be truly free, no one can be denied the number one freedom, the freedom to live!' (*Taken from the March for Life UK website*). With evermore legislation being proposed to criminalise pro-life witness, it is vital that advocates for the unborn in the UK continue to make their voices heard. The March for Life is a major opportunity to do so.  
**Morning events: 10.30am – 1.30pm**  
*The Emmanuel Centre, Marsham Street, SW1P 3DW*

**Mass: 10.30am**  
*Westminster Cathedral*  
**The March: 1.30pm**  
*From The Emmanuel Centre*  
*Ends at Parliament Square 4.30pm*

For more information visit  
[www.marchforlife.co.uk](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk)

**HELP WANTED**  
We are looking for volunteers to steward in the church from 2pm until 4pm on Sunday afternoons. If you are able to help out, please email Steven Fachada on [farmstreetppchair@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:farmstreetppchair@rcdow.org.uk).

**Sunday Refreshments**  
Refreshments are normally served in the Arrupe Hall after the 9.30am, 11am and 5.30pm Sunday Masses (second & fourth Sunday only for 5.30pm).

**Prayer intentions**  
Please consider asking for particular prayer intentions at Mass and the lamp before Our Lady of Farm Street. Contact the Parish Office or speak to the sacristan for information on how to make your requests. Details of Mass intentions are on the notice board outside of the sacristy.  
**The lamp this week is lit for the repose of the soul of Michael Rockingham RIP.**

**The Power of Life and Nature**  
There is currently an exhibition of paintings by Alex Roch displayed in the Ground Floor Gallery at 114 Mount Street. It is titled, "The Power of Life and Nature" and will be displayed until Tuesday 22nd August 2023, at 114 Mount Street W1K 3AH. All are invited to come and see this exhibition. All paintings are on sale, with prices indicated. For information about sales, contact Alex at [alexroch4art@aol.co.uk](mailto:alexroch4art@aol.co.uk).

**Catholic Listeners**  
Catholic Listeners is a confidential telephone helpline service. A Diocese of Westminster initiative, it has been set up for those who are returning to the faith. The helpline is all about listening to others, listening to those who might have become isolated due to the pandemic. This service is based on the Landings ethos of compassionate listening. Although not a counselling service, the helpline is staffed by a professional team of volunteers who are trained to signpost callers to other services and agencies. Sometimes just communicating with someone who listens and understands can help clarify a way forward. Simply talking about a problem can ease a burden. We aim to help those in need of a safe space to talk. Operating three days a week from 4pm-7pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays calls are free on **0800 448 0704** For further information please email us at [Catholiclisteners@gmail.com](mailto:Catholiclisteners@gmail.com).  
**Catholic Listeners are here to listen.**

**Welcome**  
If this is your first time here, we would like to especially welcome you to Farm Street, our vibrant and engaging Catholic parish in the heart of London. We aim to welcome all who come to our church to share in our faith and fellowship. Please do introduce yourself to a member of the clergy. You will always be most welcome here.  
**Fr. Dominic Robinson, SJ**  
*Parish Priest*



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[www.farmstreet.org.uk](http://www.farmstreet.org.uk)



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**PARISH CLERGY**  
Fr Dominic Robinson SJ, Parish Priest  
Fr Nicholas King SJ; Fr Michael Holman SJ

**REGULARLY ASSISTING CLERGY**  
Fr David Birchall SJ; Fr Damian Howard SJ;  
Fr Paul Nicholson SJ; Fr Laco Sulik SJ

**SAFEGUARDING OFFICE**  
Debbie Martin, Email:  
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**CHURCH OPENING HOURS**  
**Monday to Saturday:** 7.30am - 6.30pm  
**Sunday:** 7.30am – 7.00pm

**MASS TIMES**  
**Monday to Friday:** 8:00 | 13:05 | 18:00  
**Saturday:** 8:00 | 18:00 (vigil)  
**Sunday:** 8:00 | 09:30 (Family) | 11:00 (Latin), 12:30 | 17:30 | 19:00 (Young Adult, 18-35)  
Join us for a coffee after the 9:30 and 11:00 Mass.

All Masses can be viewed on our livestreaming page  
<https://www.farmstreet.org.uk/livestream>

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
**Monday to Friday:** 12:00-13:00

**CONFESSIONS**  
**Monday to Friday:** 12:00 – 12:55  
**Saturday:** 10:00 to 12:00; 17:45 – 17:55  
**Sunday:** Fifteen minutes before every Mass  
Also by appointment

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**20<sup>th</sup> August 2023**

**YEAR A TODAY'S RESPONSES**

**ENTRY**  
*Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;  
and look on the face of your anointed one;  
one day within your courts  
is better than a thousand elsewhere.*

**RESPONSE**  
*Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.*

**ACCLAMATION**  
*The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,  
says the Lord, I know them and they follow me.*

**COMMUNION**  
*With the Lord there is mercy;  
in him is plentiful redemption.*



# 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

## Income and Expenditure Summary

January - December 2022

Income	£	Expenditure	£
Cash Offertory	67,171	Liturgical Expenses	7,325
Standing Orders	90,763	Contactless devices expense	1,753
Contactless Payments	34,861	Staff Salaries	159,029 (3)
Website / General Donations	39,608	Diocesan Assessment (levy)	57,685
HMRC Gift Aid	26,841	Clergy Salaries	34,810
Baptisms/Weddings/Memorials	64,916	Rent and utilities	100,691
Specific Donations	47,210	Communications outgo	10,710
Candles income	38,170	Candles outgo	8,494
Music Fund (Investment Income)	46,591 (1)	Music Expenses	85,976
Legacies & Bequests	765	Repairs & Renewals	5,198
Poor Box Receipts	9,442	Insurance	33,245
Catechetics income	2,000	Catechetics outgo	2,250
Bk'shop & CTS income	1,393	Bk'shop & CTS outgo	2,265
Fabric Fund (Investment Income)	7,521 (2)	Grants/Donations	32,864 (4)
Parish Activities income	46,709	Parish Activities expense	23,840
Pilgrimages income	1,390	Pilgrimages expense	4,983
Bank Interest	177	Travel and subsistence	20,256
Parish Hall	4,336	Purchase of Fixed Assets	9,825
Third Party Receipts	44,643	Office & Administration	19,560
		Third Party outgo	39,202
		Parish supplies, banners, flowers	29,546
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£574,508</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£689,507</b>
		<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>-£114,999</b>

### Notes to the Accounts

1. Music Fund (Investment Income)  
The fund contributes to the cost of music
2. Fabric Fund (Investment Income)  
The fund covers church maintenance
3. Staff Salaries  
Salaries for the parish secretary, sacristan, catechist, finance officer, cleaners and maintenance manager
4. Donations/Grants  
Recipients including the Farm Street Ball 2022 Charities

### Summary of 2022 Financial Report

- The parish's main sources of income are the weekly offertory and donations from Baptisms, Weddings and Memorials.
- This income was hit badly throughout the Covid pandemic, during which a significant deficit (£323K) was built up.
- When compared to the last non-Covid year (2019), cash offertory for the year ending 2022 was down 30%.
- However, this fall in cash offertory was more than offset by the introduction of new ways of giving (e.g. contactless payments and website donations), with total offertory and general donations ending the year up 9% (vs YE-2019).
- Income from Standing Orders is particularly important, as it provides both stable income and the highest Gift Aid returns. We would encourage parishioners to setup a regular Standing Order (Gift Aided) if they are able.
- Income from Baptisms, Weddings and Memorials is 35% below budget and the Parish team are taking steps to improve this in 2023.
- Expenditure on utilities increased significantly for YE-2022 and this trend is likely to continue in 2023.
- There were several fixed asset purchases (computers) and one-off expenses related to the live-streaming of masses.
- The deficit for the year ending 2022 is: -£115,000.
- We expect this to improve in 2023, ending the year balanced or slightly positive.

### Ryan Timoney

Chairman, Farm Street Parish Finance Committee

### A Tent of Learning

*Synodal Conversation and Conversion in Receptive Ecumenism*

Inspired by a recent Durham University symposium, speakers from seven Christian traditions reflect together on how a church can be truly "synodal". At 14 Mount Street on the 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 10.30am-5pm. For more information and to book, visit <https://a-tent-of-learning.eventbrite.co.uk/>

### 9.30am Mass Hymns

<b>Entrance</b>	830	The Church's one foundation
<b>Offertory</b>	908	Blest are the pure in heart
<b>Communion</b>	269	At the lambs' high feast
<b>Recessional</b>	715	King of glory, king of peace

### 11am Solemn Latin Mass Music

*The choir are on well-deserved holiday leave for the month of August.*

### Parish Prayer List

We pray for those in the parish who are sick: Debra Minty Baker, Christiane, Marie Carroll Copestake, Kyllikki Edelshain, Christian Engelhart, Asoka Fernando, Lady Antonia Fraser, Mary Frances Giltz, Caroline Harkink, Erin Lillis, Nikhin, Laura Marani, Robert McCormack, Helen Murphy, Millon Nigussie, Otilie, Mrs Katerina Porter, Sarah Esparza Regalado, George Tabor, Francis Walsh, Natalie Williams & Michael Wymes  
*The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health. Psalm 41:3*  
We pray for those in the parish who have recently died.  
*Requiescant in pace*

### Monthly Memorial Prayer Vigil for refugees and asylum-seekers

On the 3rd Monday of every month outside the Home Office SW1P 4DF from 12.30pm – 1.30pm. Praying for:  
\*Those who died trying to reach the UK  
\*Victims of current wars  
\*Those in detention & who are homeless  
\*The UK to be a more welcoming nation  
Sign up to receive email news & alerts of changes or cancellations at: [homeofficevigil@gmail.com](mailto:homeofficevigil@gmail.com)  
Next vigil date: 21<sup>st</sup> August.

### Collection Figures

12/13<sup>th</sup> August Collection: £1,325.64  
18<sup>th</sup> July Take Note Singers Concert Collection: £182.50\*  
*(\*To be divided between parish and Central London Catholic Churches)*  
Thank you for your generosity.

### FARM STREET CHARITY BALL 2023

The Savile Club ~ Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> October

A **DINNER TICKET** (£160) INCLUDES THE CHAMPAGNE RECEPTION, WINE WITH DINNER, ENTERTAINMENT, LIVE AUCTION, RAFFLE, DANCING UNTIL 1 AM.

A **DANCING-ONLY TICKET** (£45) INCLUDES DANCING FROM 10PM UNTIL 1 AM, ONE GLASS OF HOUSE WINE, RAFFLE.

TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED ONLINE AT [WWW.FARMSTREET.ORG.UK](http://WWW.FARMSTREET.ORG.UK)

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE BALL, BUT WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT OUR CHARITIES, YOU MAY ALSO MAKE A DONATION ONLINE ON THE BALL PAGE.

### SPONSORSHIP OF FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS:

A TABLE ARRANGEMENT OF FLOWERS, DESIGNED BY HELEN ARISTIDOU, FARM STREET CHURCH'S FLORIST, MAY BE SPONSORED FOR £50. A CARD ACKNOWLEDGING YOUR DONATION WILL BE PLACED ON THE TABLE OR, IF YOU PREFER, YOU MAY WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS ('FLOWERS DONATED BY A PARISHIONER').