



# Diocese of Westminster

AGENCY FOR EVANGELISATION

Building Missionary Parishes, Forming Missionary Disciples

## January 2025

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope. Pope Francis



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<https://rcdow.org.uk/evangelisation/>  
<https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/marriage-and-family-life/>

**HOW DOES THE BIBLE WORK?**  
A short series of talks

Encountering the Word of God Thursday 30th January Fr Nick King SJ	Writing the Encounters with God Tuesday 19th February Fr Javier Ruiz-Ortiz	Making Available What Was Written Thursday 12th March Fr Javier Ruiz-Ortiz
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6:30pm - 8:00pm  
Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**  
Contact: [rcdow@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:rcdow@rcdow.org.uk)  
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Donations welcome via QR code and Scripture Talks to the message



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Three in-person talks on "Looking at the Scriptures", Vaughan House, Westminster: 6.30pm–8.00pm on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025; Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025 and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025. Booking Essential. To book, please email [catadmin@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:catadmin@rcdow.org.uk)

## Taking Liturgy Seriously Praying the Liturgy



An online Course of six modules running from January to November 2025

Module 1 *Liturgy as Prayer*; 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> January, 6<sup>th</sup> February: Kathryn Turner

Module 2 *The words we speak-Prayer and the Liturgical texts* 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> March: Rev Kevin McGinnell

Module 3 *Word of God Praying through Scripture* 8th, 15th & 22nd May: Fleur Dorrell & David McLaughlin

Module 4 *Praying as we serve Spirituality and ministry*; 19th, 26th June, 3rd July: Rev Paul Turner

Module 5 *Here in this place... Prayer and the environment* 18th, 25th September, 2nd October: Prof Tom O'Loughlin

Module 6 *Whoever sings, prays twice Prayer through music* 6th, 13th and 20th November: Martin Barry and Mary Rouse

Thursday evenings 7.30pm - 8.45pm

Cost: £30 per module of three sessions

£150 if paying for all six modules in advance

For further details see the website [sag.org.uk](http://sag.org.uk) or contact Mary Ryan [courses@sag.org.uk](mailto:courses@sag.org.uk)

**ADORE 50<sup>th</sup> JUBILEE**  
25<sup>th</sup> JANUARY ZOOM RETREAT  
"Pilgrims of Hope: Jesus is the Way"  
ACCEPTING JESUS' CALL TO FOLLOW HIM ON THE PILGRIMAGE OF LIFE

ADORE spiritual mini-retreat via Zoom 25<sup>th</sup> January, 10.00-1.00: 'Pilgrims of Hope: Jesus Is The Way' includes Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring guest speaker Daniella Stephens. Please register in advance at [bit.ly/ADOREJAN2025](https://bit.ly/ADOREJAN2025) : More details at [www.altonrenewal.com](http://www.altonrenewal.com)

### The Search for Truth: Edith Stein, 14 – 16 March 2025

Fr Matthew Blake, OCD will offer a weekend exploring the life and teachings of Edith Stein, or St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-search-for-truth-edith-stein/>

### Mass of Thanksgiving for Matrimony at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 17th May 2025 at 2:30pm

The Cardinal invites couples in the Diocese celebrating in 2025 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>, 60<sup>th</sup> and any year over 60 wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage. Please give your parish these details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, number of years married, postal address, email (or phone number, if no email).

### Two important requests from Louise and Anna

The deadline for returning the completed **Rite of Election 2025 Attendance form** is 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025. The Agency needs to know the exact number of Catechumens and Candidates attending the Rite of Election (8<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 2:30pm).

The **new style chancery form** must be completed and signed by every Catechumen or Candidate, and witnessed and dated by the parish priest. Forms must be sent to the Chancery (**not** to the Agency for Evangelisation) by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

The official Jubilee of Catechists in Rome is 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The Agency are arranging local Jubilee Days for Catechists in each pastoral area of the Diocese.

- 19<sup>th</sup> July 2025: Bishop Jim – Western Area;
- 11<sup>th</sup> October 2025: Bishop John – Northern Area;
- 18<sup>th</sup> October 2025: Bishop Nicholas – Central and Eastern Area.
- 15<sup>th</sup> November 2025: Bishop Paul – Hertfordshire Area

### Intentional accompaniment



Many people are in need of someone to journey with them and give them a hope. Could this be you? Join our 6-week online series, Isaiah 49 produced by Catholic Christian Outreach to learn how.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1053208818929?aff=oddttdtcreator>