



DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE LOVE

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Newsletter: JAN – MARCH 2024 (Issue 11)

Dear friends and supporters of the Daughters of Divine Love,
I do hope you all had a lovely Easter celebration. He is risen indeed, Alleluia! A warm welcome to the latest edition of our quarterly newsletter. Issue 11 once more serves as an expression of our heartfelt thanks to you. We can never thank you enough for the support you show us through your prayers and your donations, which continue to make a real difference in people's lives, and continuing to transform the lives of the vulnerable brothers and sisters we serve. Once again thank you for allowing God to use each and everyone of you as an instrument of Heavenly Love. Holy mass has been requested for your intentions and those of your loved ones, asking almighty God for His protection. It will be celebrated at Star of the Sea Catholic Church (Swansea) on **12th June at 9.30 am**. A Zoom link will be sent nearer to the time. Please note that our 4th Annual Dinner Dance takes place on Sat. 12th October. We thank Our all-holy Patroness, Our Lady of the Wayside for her ongoing protection and care. *God bless one and all.*

KEY UPDATES

Bishop Okoye Nursery Primary School Nigeria

Within the last quarter Sr Ann visited Nigeria and visited some of the schools that we are supporting. Bishop Okoye school has been receiving the benefit of your kind donations, including the provision of a borehole for easy access to clean water. We thank in particular Kent Housing association for making this possible. There is now water in the school and the children are happy. The school also received funds to support the roofing of the classroom which is now under construction.

DDL Elderly Sisters Home in Nigeria

Sr Ann also visited Elderly Sisters' Home during the trip. Many of our DDL Sisters, who have given their lives witnessing to the love of God, and doing his work in serving the poor, need our support now that they are elderly. We are constantly seeking for opportunities to make them happy and be fulfilled in their twilight years. Happily, some financial support was provided during Sr Ann's visit. Of course, we would love to do more in providing our dear elderly Sisters with basic needs.

Bishop Okoye School, Abakaliki (Nigeria)

This school has also had a borehole provided this quarter. We supported our Sisters during the application process, securing a grant from The Little Way Association. Please pray for this wonderful charity, still going strong since after 80 years. Thank you to all at LWA. To God be the glory. Our Charity home for vulnerable children in Nigeria—whose children has been receiving support and care—was also visited, the Bishop Okoye Memorial School in Ikem Nsukka. Both staff and children were very happy for the visit.

SPECIAL REQUEST

The DDL Media Team in Nigeria needs funds to buy equipment. The team promote the mission of the DDL Sisters. Please see 'Ways to help' on p2.

Child Sponsorship Programme:

The Daughters of Divine Love Child Sponsorship Programme is aimed at helping orphans and any children disadvantaged by poverty, sickness, and disability to realise their potential despite challenging their start in life.

Change a life for £20 each month.

You can sponsor a child's basic care and needs by gifting £20 a month.

Your contribution can buy food, water, clothing, medicine, education and life-skill training

If you want to increase your contribution, that is also possible.

This sponsorship may also change your life as you can build a lasting relationship with the child you sponsor.

Please contact us for more information



Deceased sisters

Kindly pray for their souls

Sr Callista Ekwe

Sr Chikadi Ekeji



*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.*

STANDING ORDER- regular income

We continue to thank all those who have set up a bank standing order, making a monthly contribution to support us in our work for the marginalised. This regular income means that we can plan our work more effectively. Please do consider supporting our work by S.O. We are sowing seeds of love in your name. No amount is too little. Thank you.

Our charity cards:

As part of our fundraising activities, we have created a range of religious cards for special occasions, including 'Thank you' cards, 'Get well' cards, and 'Mass Intention' cards. You can buy these at local parish repositories including St Bartholomew's (Norbury), St Mary's (Croydon), English Martyrs (Streatham) St Paul's Bookshop (Westminster), Our Lady of Assumption (Links Road), St Andrews (Thornton Heath), St Margaret of Scotland (Carshalton Beeches), St Peter's (Hadleigh). Heartfelt thanks to all our parish priests for their support. Please do look out for these, and thank you for your support and solidarity.

Coffee Morning:

Our fundraising coffee morning for 2024 has been fixed for two parishes: English Martyrs Catholic Church Streatham on Sunday 19th May 2024 after both morning masses; and St Bartholomew Catholic Church, Norbury on Sunday 22nd Sept 2024. You are all invited to enjoy the good company—and delicious treats—to support our work.

We cannot do this work without your help...

WAYS TO DONATE

You can help us when you shop online — at no extra cost to yourself. Just go to...

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/disabledchildren

Shop with Amazon smile to support us

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/gp/chpf/homepage?orig=%2F>

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/15854>

£20 a month gives light to a new family

£10 helps to buy uniform for a child in primary school

£40 a months give scholarship to three children a year

We have many supporters and if everyone were to set up even £10 a month standing order, we would be able to continue with these project.

Daughters of Divine Love Project HSBC Bank:

Sort code – 40-38-29 Account number-31393049. Please set reference as -
DDLPDO

Donations can also be made at our website - please visit

www.ddlpdo.org

Cheques - made payable to Daughters of Divine Love - can be
posted to Easy Hub, 1st Floor, 22 Addiscombe Road, Croydon CR0 5PE.

Writing your will? Please remember the DDL Sisters

EVENTS CHAIR COVERS FOR HIRE

Please help us raise some funds for our charity work. We have chair covers for hire. £20 for 100 covers and £30 for 200 covers.

Available at 70 Kempshot Rd W16 5LH
Call 07930479685 or admin@ddlpdo.org

Save the date...

DDL 4th ANUNAL DINNER DANCE Saturday 12th October 2024

All are invited

We continue to thank and to appreciate you for your support of our work, thereby improving the lives of so many distressed families in the countries where DDL Sisters are serving .

To continue and increase the help we can offer, we are holding our

4th Annual Dinner Dance

at

St Mary's Catholic Church Hall
Wellesley Road, Croydon CR0 2AR
to reserve tickets admin@ddlpdo.org
Call 07377229830/ 07930479685

WHY NOT BECOME A MEMBER OF FRIENDS OF DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE LOVE AMBASSADORS

Members of the FDDL Ambassadors are persons who wish to share and collaborate with the Daughters of Divine Love in their mission of love, their charism, their spirituality & apostolate, while serving humanity in a true spirit of God's love.

For more information, please call...

Sister Linda 07931522495

or Sister Kate on 07802659768

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please submit in your prayer requests and special intentions via our website:

www.ddlpdo.org

The love of God compels us 2 Cor 5:14