ST. AIDAN OF LINDISFARNE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF WESTMINSTER

PARISH NEWSLETTER

22nd November 2026



As we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, alongside World Youth Sunday, we are reminded of the important part our parish communities play in shaping our journey of faith.

For many, the parish is where that journey begins. It is where children first experience Sunday Mass, prepare for the sacraments and grow alongside others who share their faith. As the years pass, they may bring their own children to be baptised and watch another generation begin its journey in the same church. These early experiences lay foundations that can remain with us throughout our lives, even during times when our faith may not be as strong as we would like.

World Youth Sunday reminds us that young people are not simply the future of the Church; they are very much part of its present. It is important that they feel welcomed, encouraged and valued within their parish community. Sometimes a kind word, the example of another person or simply being made to feel that we belong can leave a lasting impression.

In today's Gospel (Matthew 25:31–46), Jesus reminds us that faith must be lived, not simply spoken about. He calls us to recognise Him in those who are hungry, lonely, struggling or in need of kindness. This is what makes the kingship of Christ so different from earthly power. He rules through love, humility and service.

As we celebrate these two important occasions, may Christ our King guide our young people, strengthen our parish community and help us show the next generation what it means to follow Him through the way we live. ~ Eddie O'Reilly (Youth Leader at Our Lady of Lourdes)

Prayer intentions of the Holy Father for November:
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.



NOVEMBER—MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

During the month of November we will be praying for your deceased relatives and loved ones. Please pick up a "November List of all souls" envelope from the back of the church. Inside the envelope is a form where you can list all the names of the deceased that you want to pray for. Please put the list and your donation, back into the envelope and place it in the "November All Souls Bod" on the altar during November. You will also be able to bring photos of your loved ones who have died and place them in from of the altar throughout the months of November as we continue to remember and pray for them. We will place the photos around the altar because we know that in every celebration of the Eucharist, heaven and earth are united. The living and the dead are made one. All are bound together in the spirit of Christ.





There is going to be a Special Mass for all our deceased ones on Thursday 26th November at 7pm .

The church is open
Tues and Thu 9am-3pm
Sat 10:00am to 8:00pm, Sun for Masses.
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MASS TIMES

Monday: No Mass (Church Closed)
Fr. Patrick at Immigration Centre
Tuesday - Friday: 10am
Saturday: 6.30pm
Sunday: 10am, 1pm (Ge'ez Rite)
Holy Days of Obligation: 10am, 7pm

Dear Friend in Christ,

Welcome to St. Aidan's Church! Whether you are visiting for the first time, returning after some time away, or simply seeking a quiet moment with God, we are truly blessed by your presence. This is a sacred space where hearts are lifted, prayers are heard, and lives are renewed by the grace and love of our Lord.

Here in this house of prayer, we invite you to take time to reflect, to find peace in silence, and to open your heart to God, who knows you, loves you, and walks with you always. Whatever burdens you carry or joys you celebrate, know that you are not alone—God is with you, and we are here to walk with you in faith and fellowship.

Our community gathers regularly to celebrate the Holy Mass. You are most welcome to join us at any of our services

Each Mass is a moment to encounter Christ in Word and Sacrament, and to be strengthened as members of His Body.

If you have any questions or would like to speak with a priest or member of our parish team, please do not hesitate to reach out. May you find here a home of prayer, comfort and belonging.

With every blessing, From **Fr. Patrick Adusei Poku CSSp Parish Priest**

FOR DONATIONS & PAYMENTS
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Youth Corner

The next youth meeting will be on Tuesday 24th November at 7pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall. Youth events are for all young people from School Year 8 to the age of 25 years old, plus our Confirmation Class.

They will also he hosting a **Quiz night on Friday 27th November at 7:30** pm in OLOL Parish Hall.

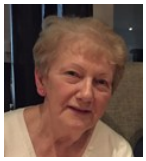
Some of our young people will be travelling to South Korea in 2027 for World Youth Day! If you would like to contribute, please bring your donations to the office marked World Youth Day.

CURRENT NEWS & NOTICES

Baptism Preparation Course 2026: The next baptism course will take place in the new year. Please do come to the parish office to fill in the forms and register.

First Holy Communion: the next Holy communion class will take place on Sunday the 22nd November after the 10 o'clock Mass.

Confirmation 2027: confirmation candidates are expected to attend the youth meetings at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall. The next one is on Tuesday 24th November at 7pm.



Kathy Finnegan R.I.P.: we are sad to inform you that Kathy died on Sunday 1st November. Kathy was a valued member of St Aidan's church where she volunteered in many different capacities. Please do keep her family in your prayers. The funeral will be on the 1st December at 11:15 am .

SECOND COLLECTION: Thank you to everyone who donated to the Sick and Retired Priests' Fund collection last weekend. We raised £136.62. Your generosity means our sick and retired priests will receive he care and support they need.

Open invitation -join the St Aidan Singers as we prepare for Christmas and beyond!

Do you enjoy singing carols? Help us make this years services extra special - we meet today, 22nd November and next Sunday just after the 10 am mass (11.15 - 12.15 pm) - all welcome.



Gluten Free: gluten free hosts are now available for those with dietary restrictions who would like to receive Holy Communion.



Kids' Corner

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CURRENT NEWS & NOTICES

St Vincent's Primary School: Nursery & Reception Application Forms for admission in **September 2027** are currently available from the School web-site at www.st-vincents.ealing.sch.uk/admissions → Key Information → Admissions. . The online applications may be submitted until the deadline of **15th January 2027**. For more information, please contact admissions@stvps.co.uk .

Book Launch – The Alphabet Animal Adventures

Saturday 5th December 10.00 am – 12 noon
St Aidan's Church

You are warmly invited to the launch of **The Alphabet Animal Adventures**, a delightful new family book written by Sister Mary Joy Langdon

Everyone is welcome to come along, listen to a few tales read by Mary Joy, buy a book and have it signed. The Alphabet Animal Adventures will make a perfect Christmas present.

We look forward to seeing you at the launch.

Young Adults ADVENT RETREAT DAY with the Assumption Sisters on Saturday 5th December 2026, 10am – 6pm. Venue: Milleret House, 20 Kensington Square, London, W8 5HH (closest tube station: High Street Kensington). Programme includes talks • prayer, adoration and confessions • faith sharing • Mass and social time. £5 registration fee/ subsidised student places available on request. Register now by emailing: rebecca@assumpta-eu.org

Inclusive Mass especially for people with intellectual disabilities is taking place at Our Lady of Fatima, White City, on 28th November? The details are in this link - https://caritaswestminster.org.uk/event/inclusive-mass-white-city-2/

RED Boxes: if you would like your red box emptied please bring them to the office. Missio newsletters are available in the porch of the church.

Goodbye to Fr. Chris & Fr. Fergal: The Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary served this parish for many years. Sadly they are leaving Ealing so would like to say goodbye and thank you, in person, for your wonderful support over the years. Drop in on Sat 21st November 11am-5pm or Sun 22nd November 2pm-5pm at 372 Uxbridge Road.

SPIRITAN NEWS

GAP YEAR VOLUNTEERING WITH 'JUST YOUTH' Are you 18 to 25 and wish to support young people in their holistic growth, discover and develop their talents through Chaplaincy and other outreach programs? Please contact Just Youth on www.justyouth.co.uk and apply.

Lay Spiritans: Any parishioner who is interested in becoming a lay Spiritan, please contact Fr. Patrick or the Parish Office. Visit spiritans.co.uk/lay-associate-spiritans/ for more info.

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SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding is the responsibility of every member of the parish. If you are concerned that a child or vulnerable adult has been harmed or is at risk of harm, please dial 999. Otherwise, contact our Parish Safeguarding Liaison Claire Sheedy: actoneastsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

SACRAMENTS AT OUR PARISH

Baptism: Please go to the parish office to fill in the paperwork. You will need to attend the Baptism Preparation Course.

Marriage: Couples are required to give 6 months notice of marriage before the wedding and to fill out the necessary paperwork and attend a marriage course. Please call the office to set up a meeting with the priest to start the paperwork.

RCIA: (Rite of Christian Initiations of Adults) Would you like to become a Catholic? You can pick up a registration form from the back of the church.

Holy communion and Confirmation: preparation classes take place once a year starting in the Autumn. Please talk to the office if you would like more information on the next class.



Tickets for the Quiz Night can be bought by scanning the QR code in the poster. They will also be on sale at the back of the church after each Mass.

GETTING THE MOST OUT OF MASS

1. PREPARE: Arrive early, gather your thoughts in quiet, read through the readings, then be still and open your heart and mind to God in prayer. Remember to always give thanks to God and to be patient in prayer. In addition to your own prayers, please remember to pray for those on the Mass Intention list and those who have no one to pray for them.

2. PARTICIPATE: Join in the singing, the responses, the prayers and listen attentively to the Readings and the Homily.

3. BE RESPECTFUL: Don't use your phone, don't eat in church (except babies), and don't chat needlessly, we come to church to raise our hearts and minds to God. But please do feel free to socialise and chat after Mass. Tea and coffee is serve at the back of the church.

MASS & LITURGICAL ACTIVITIES

12 November 2026 Christ The King and World Youth Day(A)

1st Reading: Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28 Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46

Saturday 21st November		
6:30 pm	Michael Emsley Percy Barclay All those on our ALL SOULS November List	R.I.P. Anniversary R.I.P. Anniversary R.I.P.
Sunday 22nd November	**CHRIST THE KING AND WORLD YOUTH DAY**	
10am	Dan Casey Carmen Delaney Armando Schia All those on our ALL SOULS November List	R.I.P. Anniversary R.I.P. Anniversary R.I.P. Birthday Anniversary R.I.P.
1pm	Ge'ez Rite	
Mon 23rd November	**NO MASS**	
Tues 24th November	**Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest , and Companions, Martyrs**	
10 am	Tadgh, Joe and James O'Connell All those on our ALL SOULS November List	Special intention R.I.P.
Wed 25th November		
7pm	For the People in the parish All those on our ALL SOULS November List	R.I.P.
Thurs 26th November		
7pm	**NO MORNING MASS** All those on our ALL SOULS November List Special Remembrance Mass	R.I.P.
Friday 27th November	**10am—John Moran's funeral**	
10 am	For the sick in the parish All those on our ALL SOULS November List	Special Intention R.I.P.
Saturday 28th November		
6:30 pm	For the People in the parish All those on our ALL SOULS November List	Special intentions R.I.P.
Sunday 29th November	**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**	
10am	Pat Lafferty Clemente Catini All those on our ALL SOULS November List	R.I.P. R.I.P. R.I.P.
1pm	Ge'ez Rite	

The Angelus: This will be lead by a reader before the start of every Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 30 minutes before every Mass.

Confessions:
Weekdays 9.15am-9.45am
Saturdays 5.30pm-6.15pm

Legion of Mary: Every Friday after 10am Mass in the Sacristy.

Mass Intentions: Mass Intention envelopes are at the back of the church. You can use them for all your Mass intention requests. (£10 per intention). All intentions are published in the newsletter.
Please book early in advance and provide an alternative date to secure your intention.

Celebrations: Please let us know if you are celebrating a special anniversary or birthday so we can pray for you as a community and you can receive a blessing.

Home Visits: If you know someone in the parish, who would like a visit from a priest, please contact the parish office.

Any items for the newsletter need to be received by the office by Thursday 12pm of that week.