

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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Sunday, 20th September 2026
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

- **First Reading:** Isaiah 55:6–9 — *"My thoughts are not your thoughts."*
- **Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 145(144):2–3, 8–9, 17–18 — **"The Lord is close to all who call him."**
- **Second Reading:** Philippians 1:20–24, 27 — *"Life to me is Christ; but death would bring me more."*
- **Gospel Acclamation:** Acts 16:14 — *"Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son."*
- **Gospel:** Matthew 20:1–16 — **The parable of the workers in the vineyard**, ending with Jesus' teaching: *"The last will be first, and the first will be last."*

MEDITATION:

Lord, help me trust that Your ways are greater than mine.
Teach me to rejoice in Your generosity without comparing myself to others.
May I seek You with a humble and open heart each day.
Let my life become a grateful response to Your endless love.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat 19th Sept 6:30pm
Sun 20th Sept 9:30am Luvisminda NEMENO- CANGA's Family Intention
11:30am Nell KAVANAGH RIP
Mon 21st Sept 12:15pm Holy Souls
Tue 22nd Sept 12:15pm
Wed 23rd Sept 12.15pm Jo ELLIOTT RIP
Thu 24th Sept 12:15pm
Fri 25th Sept 12:15pm

PRIORY CHAPEL:
Monday to Friday at 7:30am

OFFICE HOURS
Monday and Thursday 9:30am to 5pm

LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION

Loose plate:

Envelopes:

Thank you for your generosity!

PARISH COUNCIL

Election of the new Chair and Vice-chair

We are pleased to announce that **Jerry Kearns** has been appointed as the new Chair of our Parish Council; **Barbara Bond** will serve as our new Vice-Chair. We pray for God's guidance and blessing upon them as they begin their new responsibilities. We are grateful for their willingness to serve our parish community.

We also extend our thanks to **Edward English** for his many years of dedicated service to our Parish. May God bless Edward for all he has done, and may He bless our new Chair and Vice-Chair in their service to our parish.

PARISH EVENT

Open House

We are very grateful for the wonderful success of our **Open House** events on 12 and 19 September**.** A heartfelt thank you to Stephanie for her dedication, organisation, and generous service. We also sincerely thank all the volunteers who gave their time, energy, and warm welcome to everyone who attended.

May God bless you all for helping to make these events such a joyful and welcoming experience for our Parish community.

Parish Shop:

Our **Parish Shop is open every weekend** after Mass—come and have a look at our books, gifts, and religious items.

Opening times: **Saturday after the 6:30 pm Mass**

Sunday after the 9:30 am and 11:30 am Masses

We warmly invite everyone to visit and support our Parish Shop!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Talk: What is 21st political identity for Christians?

Tuesday 29th Sept 7:30pm (Assumption Priory)

By Jeremy GEDDERT Ph.D – Assumption University in the US

An opportunity to reflect on Christian identity, faith, and our role in today's changing political and social world.

Night of Grace

First Friday of the Month – Devotion to the Sacred heart of Jesus

Friday 2nd September 2026, from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm for a beautiful evening of candlelight, music, and Eucharistic Adoration in our church. All are welcome—bring a friend along and take a quiet pause from your busy week.

Discernment God's voice

Saturday 17th October 2026

An opportunity to learn how to recognise and listen to God's voice in our daily lives. Come and take time for prayer, reflection, and discovering God's guidance.

Milleret House, 20 Kensington Square, London W8 5HH

SACRAMENTS

We invite all parents and children to a meeting about the **First Holy Communion and Confirmation programme**. The meeting will take place on **Wednesday, 7 October 2026, at 7:00 pm**.

It will be an opportunity to learn more about the programme and the journey of preparation. We warmly encourage all parents and children to attend and begin this important journey together.

The forms for First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and the RCIA are still available at the back of the church.

OUR WEEKLY ACTIVITY

Community tea & coffee

Everyone is welcome to come along and enjoy a moment together over a cup of tea or coffee.

- Community Tea & Coffee will resume weekly on Thursday, 3 September 2026, at 10:30 am in the Parish Hall.
- After 6:30pm on Saturday and 9:30am on Sunday

Legion of Mary

Junior Legionaries have their meeting every Sunday at 10:30am.

Senior Legionaries have their meeting every Thursday at 7pm in Priory.

Please contact Basil by email basilejifrancis@yahoo.co.uk Tel: 07469730851

CONTACTLESS GIVING

Our new contactless machine is now operational.

Thank you for your understanding and your generosity!

Please scan this QR code to make a one-off donation on the website

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AUGUSTINIANS OF THE ASSUMPTION

Parish Clergy: Fr Joseph Cuong aa (Parish Priest)
Fr Adam aa (Assistant Priest)
Fr Joseph LIANG (Chinese chaplain)

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MASS TIMES

Monday – Friday: 12.15pm **Saturday:** 9.30 am; 6.30 pm **Sunday**: 9.30 am; 11.30 am
Holy Days of Obligation: 12.15pm; 6.30pm **Bank holidays**: 9.30 am
Priory Chapel: Monday – Friday at 7.30 am **Adoration**: Wednesday 11am-12am
Confession: Saturday 5.45pm – 6.15pm or by arrangement

If you are new to the parish, you may like to register by filling in a Parish Registration Form at the back of the church and return it to the Parish office