

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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Sunday, 06th September 2026
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

- **First Reading:** Ezekiel 33:7–9
  "If you do not speak to warn the wicked, I will hold you responsible.
- **Psalm** 94(95):1–2, 6–9
  Response: *"O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.*
- **Second Reading:** Romans 13:8–10 *"Your only debt should be the debt of mutual love."*
- **Gospel Acclamation:** "God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself, and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us."
- **Gospel:** Matthew 18:15–20
  "If your brother listens to you, you have won back your brother."

MEDITATION:

Lord, help us to listen to Your voice and never harden our hearts. Give us the courage to speak with love and to seek reconciliation. Teach us to love one another, for love fulfils Your law. May we always feel Your presence when we gather in Your name. Amen.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat 05th Sept 6:30pm Legion of Mary – Thanksgiving
Sun 06th Sept 9:30am Legion of Mary
11:30am Mildred TRABASAS RIP
Mon 07th Sept 12:15pm Fr Brendan O'MALLEY AA RIP
Tue 08th Sept 12:15pm David Marie EGBUONU Int
Wed 09th Sept 12.15pm
Thu 10th Sept 12:15pm
Fri 11th Sept 12:15pm
Sat 12th Sept 9:30am Patrick WALSH RIP

PRIORY CHAPEL:
Monday to Friday at 7:30am

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

PARISH EVENT

Open House: from 9am to 5pm
Saturday 12nd September
Saturday 19th September

We are pleased to announce that Our Lady of the Assumption Church has been selected to participate in the September Open House Festival organised by Open City, an architecture appreciation charity. This is an opportunity for us to welcome the community into our Grade II listed Church to share our history as an Assumptionist Parish.

We will need volunteers to welcome the visitors, answer questions about the church and make baked goods. If you are interested, please **sign up here.** or add you name to the volunteering sheet at the back of the church;

Or contact Stephanie LIEBER on bethnalgreencof@rcdow.org.uk for any questions and more information. We appreciate your support and your help.

PARISH COUNCIL

Election of the new Chair and Vice-chair

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will be on **Wednesday 16th September at 7.30pm**. At this meeting we are looking to appoint a new PPC Chair and Vice-Chair, each for a **three-year** term.

Candidates must be confirmed, practicing and respected Catholic members of our parish community.

The Chair and Vice-Chair will help lead the Council in its mission to advise and assist the Parish Priest, acting as a facilitator and strategic collaborator to build a welcoming, active parish community. Agreeing on council meeting dates in advance with the Secretary and Parish Priest. Collaborating with the Parish Priest and Secretary to determine topics for meetings, ensuring that all meetings start, transition between agenda items and end on time.

Fostering an inclusive environment where all members feel heard and can offer their unique talents. Liaising with council members to set both short-term goals and long-term pastoral plans. Ensuring every agenda topic reaches a clear resolution, consensus, or designated action point. Reviewing and approving meeting minutes before publication.

Wider parish responsibilities include serving as a clear, approachable liaison for parishioners to share ideas or concerns. Encouraging, supporting and assisting lay activities across all parish committees, ministries, social events and community outreach projects, all in a spirit of collaboration.

If you would like to nominate a person to be a PPC Chair or Vice-Chair (with their consent) or would like to nominate yourself please notify Fr. Joseph Cuong A.A. or email to bethnalgreen@rcdow.org by **Monday 14th September 2026.**

YOUTH MINISTRY

Upcoming events

Young Adults Mass and Resonate Panel Talk

Time: 19:45-21:00 Tuesday 8 September 2026

Location: Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, Westminster, London SW1P 1QN

The panel will bring together three different vocations in the Church: priesthood, religious life, and marriage. This evening is an opportunity to hear honest, real, faith orientated reflections from people who are living out their vocation in very different ways.

Join us for this special evening as we listen, reflect, and discover more about the different ways the Lord calls each one of us!

Night of Grace

Saturday, 12 September, 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. Please, scan QR code for more info & registration.

SACRAMENTS

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

Please, complete it and returns all these forms by 6th September 2026

CARITAS WESTMINSTER

Support with School Uniform

You or someone you know may be eligible for a School Uniform Grant from Tower Hamlets Council. These support families preparing for the new academic year in buying school uniform, in particular if your child is aged 4 and starting reception or aged 11 and changing from primary to secondary school. For more information, including eligibility, please visit Tower Hamlets Council website.

PARISH 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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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

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