

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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Sunday, 25th October 2026
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

- **First Reading:** Exodus 22:21–27 Care for the poor and vulnerable.
- **Responsorial Psalm**: Psalm 18 (17):2–4, 47, 51 **"I love you, Lord, my strength."**
- **Second Reading**: 1 Thessalonians 1:5c–10 Living a life of faith.
- **Gospel:** Matthew 22:34–40 The Greatest Commandment.

MEDITATION:

Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of this new day. Teach me to love You with all my heart, soul and mind. Fill me with Your Holy Spirit so that I may love my neighbour as myself. Give me a compassionate heart to care for those who are suffering, the wisdom to make good decisions, and the strength to forgive those who have hurt me. May my words and actions reflect Your goodness and love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat 24th Oct	6:30pm	
Sun 25th Oct	9:30am	Wirolina FORMOSA Int
	11:30am	Kitty SEARSON RIP
Mon 26th Oct	12:15pm	Holy Souls
Tue 27th Oct	12:15pm	
Wed 28th Oct	12.15pm	
Thu 29th Oct	12:15pm	
Fri 30th Oct	12:15pm	Antonio Birthday and Fernandes Intention
Sat 31st Oct	9:30 am	Eileen O'TOOLE RIP

PRIORY CHAPEL:
Monday to Friday at 7:30am

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

LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION

Loose plate: 580.26£

Envelopes: 143£

Thank you for your generosity!

PARISH EVENTS & ANNOUCEMENTS

Catechists training - Advance notice that in January/February 2027, there will be training for Catechists. If you are interested in becoming a Catechist, please contact: Marie Bryant on 07958 307587.

Cleaning Our Lady of the Assumption Church: Not so long ago, we had an abundance of volunteers to help with cleaning our beautiful church. However, we are now in a very sorry state with, in some cases, teams consisting of 1 or 2 volunteers.

We currently have 4 teams, so each of the 4 teams clean the church once every 4 weeks. The church provides all the cleaning materials and the cleaning as a rule takes in the region of 1- 1 1/2 hours (many hands make light work!).

Could you please give this some thought, and if you feel you could spare an hour / hour or so once a month, please could you contact Cathy Russo either by email on cathyjeanrusso@aol.com or text her on 07931 723791 with your details and when would be a suitable time for you to clean. Teams clean either on Wednesday/Thursday evening at approximately 5.30pm, or Saturday morning after the 9.30am mass. We can then slot you into a team, or if you

November Dead List

It is customary for Catholics to pray for those who have died, especially in the month of November. The traditional lists and envelopes are available on the table at the back of the Church.

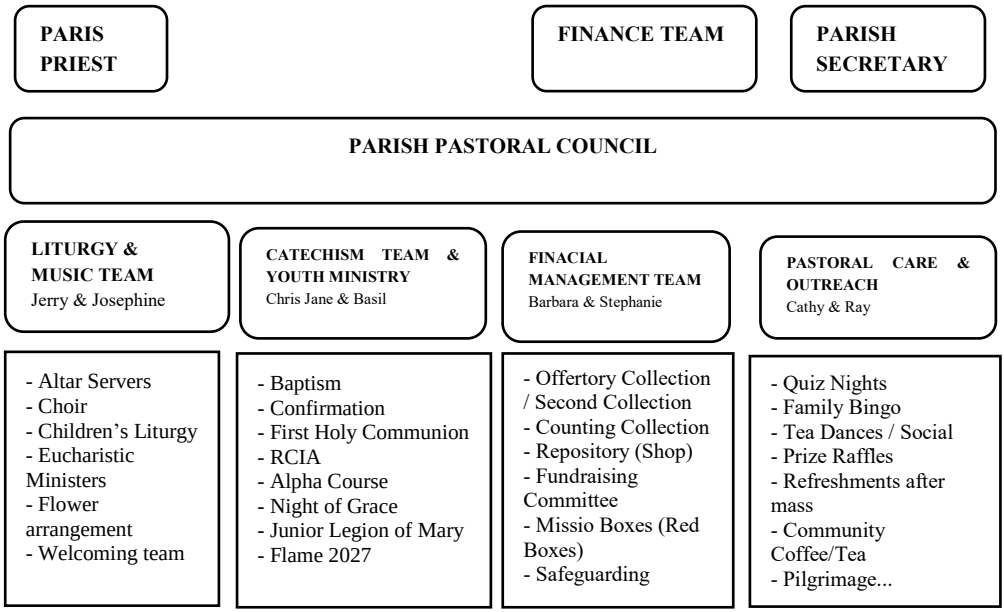
Please add the names of those deceased family members and friends who you wish to be prayed for and put the lists in the envelopes (donation optional) and leave them in the marked box at Our Lady's altar. The lists will be collected from the box, placed in a large envelope, and placed on the High Altar. During November, they will be prayed for at all Masses.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Alpha Course for Young Adults starts on **Sunday 25 October 2026**, after the **11:30 AM Mass**. Come along for a relaxed time of conversation, friendship, and exploring faith together.

Everyone is welcome — bring a friend and join us! Please, contact Francis and Leo for more information.

OUR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



Roles and Responsibilities of Committee/Commission Leaders in the PPC

Each committee or commission of the parish shall have **two** responsible persons who shall coordinate, guide, and oversee the work of the groups in accordance with the parish pastoral plan and the directives of the Parish Priest and Parish Pastoral Council.

The responsible persons shall be accountable for encouraging the active participation of members, organising meetings, preparing and implementing agreed action plans, monitoring activities, maintaining appropriate records, and submitting regular reports to the Parish Pastoral Council through the established reporting arrangements.

They shall maintain effective communication with the Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson, keep the Parish Priest appropriately informed, and seek the necessary guidance or approval before undertaking matters requiring pastoral, financial, liturgical, administrative, or other authorisation.

The two responsible persons shall share their duties fairly, promote teamwork. They shall implement approved decisions, cooperate with other parish committees, and contribute to the unity and pastoral development of the parish.

All responsible persons shall exercise their responsibilities in a spirit of prayer, humility, collaboration, and service, recognising that their leadership is directed towards the spiritual growth of parishioners and the mission of the Church.

OUR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Children's Liturgy will take place every Sunday during the **11:30 AM Mass**. All children are invited to join us for a joyful and engaging celebration of God's Word!

Community tea & coffee

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

- Community Tea & Coffee will resume weekly on **Thursday**, at **10:30 am**
- Tea and coffee will also be available **after the 6:30 pm Saturday Mass**

CONTACTLESS GIVING

Our new contactless machine is now operational.
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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