

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK
(Weekday Masses take place in the Sacristy)

Day	Date	Time	Intention
27th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
Saturday	7 th Oct	6.00pm	Pro Pop
Sunday	8 th Oct	8.00am	Pro Pop
		10.30am	Father Willie's Intentions
1.00pm Congolese Community Mass			
Monday	9 th Oct	10.00am	Donors Intentions
Tuesday	10 th Oct	9.30am	Sr. Mary O'Malley RIP
Wednesday	11 th Oct	10.00am	Donors Intentions
Thursday	12 th Oct	8.30am	Pro Pop.
Friday	13 th Oct	9.30am	Donors Intentions
27th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
Saturday	14 th Oct	6.00pm	Carmelite Sisters
Sunday	15 th Oct	8.00am	Pro Pop
		10.30am	Patty Inkpen RIP
1.00pm Congolese Community Mass			

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Isaiah 5: 1-7; Psalm 79; Philippians 4: 6-9; Matthew 21: 28-32.

Entry	544 O Mother Blest
Psalm 79	The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.
Offertory	377 Lord accept the gifts we offer
Post Communion	383 Living Lord
Recessional	285 Here I am Lord

PRAYERS PLEASE FOR: Those of our parish who are sick: at home or in Hospital; **Peace:** in our troubled world; **All Refugees;** **Our Parish Family:** Especially those who are unemployed and seeking work; **Our Deanery:** the Deanery priests as they meet together this week and for the Parish of Tower Hill, and the Maltese and German Chaplaincies; **The Synod** which opens in Rome this weekend; **Those who have died recently:** Patty Inkpen and Fr. Dominic McKenna and for Edward Cartwright and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.



NEWSLETTER

27th SUNDAY OF YEAR A

8th OCTOBER 2023

Dear Parishioners,

The parable Jesus tells to the chief priests and elders in the Gospel is not just a story, it is a foretelling of the deceitful and murderous intentions of his listeners. They will, like the tenants take Jesus, the landowner's son, and put him to death on the wood of the cross so as to insure they inherit the vineyard. The teaching from the Gospel is that in a world where fear and favour jostle for advantage is that we persevere in goodness. St. Paul, in his letter to the Philippians today promotes the way of goodness that we need to follow "fill your minds with everything that is true....everything that can be thought virtuous." "keep doing all the things that you learnt from me" in this way the God of peace will always be with us. It is not and will not be easy, but it is the best and only way.

In this month of the Holy Rosary do please, as individuals or as families or neighbours, endeavour to come together and pray the Rosary if only one decade a day. A reminder that there is a Rosary Procession this Sunday evening in Willesden Green (details inside).

Two Mass time changes this week on Tuesday due to Sr. Mary's Funeral and Thursday due to a training course I have to attend for "New" parish priests at Westminster..

With every Blessing.

Fr. Keith

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FINANCE COMMITTEE met last Sunday and proposed that collection bags be reintroduced as of next Sunday. I would also like to (re) introduce the offertory procession with the gifts of bread and wine. (also Children's Liturgy)

FIRST COMMUNION Application forms are still available at the back of the church and need to be returned via the Presbytery letterbox or handed to Fr. Keith today. Children should be in Year 3 or above. Please note that as the course is run by the parish and not the school.

WEDDINGS At least six months notice needs to be given in order that necessary arrangements and paperwork can be gathered.

DIOCESAN MASS FOR ALTAR SERVERS took place this weekend, report next weekend. As Diocesan Director for Westminster I will be away next Saturday at the National Mass for Altar Servers in Cardiff—if you think this is a long way to go for a Mass, there is a Server who attended the National Mass in Westminster last year and will be attending the Mass in Cardiff this year, all the way from Kentucky, USA!

NEW ALTAR SERVERS If you have received your First Holy Communion and would like to become an Altar Server, please see Fr. Keith for more details and to collect an application form.

MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES Available from the Repository or the Sacristy. These should be used to indicate the Mass Intention, the name of the donor and a donation can be enclosed. If a specific date and time is required this will have to be arranged in consultation with the "Mass Diary" so no double booking occurs.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES Bishop Nicholas is coming to officially install Fr. Keith as Parish Priest on Saturday 11th November at the 6.00pm Mass all are welcome.

READERS ROTA available from the Sacristy. If you wish to change Mass times, no longer wish to read, or would like to become a reader please let Fr. Keith know.

JUSTICE AND PEACE parish contact required to provide a link between our parish and the Westminster Justice & Peace Commission, which is an agency of the Diocese, overseen by Bishop Nicholas Hudson. The main task of the contact person is to receive the monthly E-Bulletin and, where possible, promote events and actions for peace and justice within the parish. A role description can be found at: <https://westminsterjusticeandpeace.org/parish-contacts/>

NEIGHBOURS IN POPLAR Volunteers needed to deliver meals across Tower Hamlets on Wednesdays and Sundays to the elderly, housebound and vulnerable. If anyone is free for an hour on these days between 11:45am and 12:30pm, pop in to St. Matthias Community Centre in Poplar Park, to collect a meal and an address. If you are aware of anyone who would welcome a meal, a food parcel or need further information contact NIP on: 020 7987 0257 or nip65@msn.com.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Hopefully this will resume at the 10.30 Sunday Mass soon. In the meantime there are some Colouring sheets for children to take home to colour in connected with today's readings. They could bring them back next Sunday and bring them up as part of the Offertory procession—just an idea!

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2024 takes place from 19th – 26th July. The Sanctuary's theme for the year is 'Come here in procession'. See poster for details. Parishioners are encouraged to join the Pilgrimage as Adult or Redcap Youth Helpers, Nurses, Doctors, Assisted Pilgrims, or as regular pilgrims. Further details to follow.

CANDLE LIT PROCESSION of Our Lady of Willesden this Sunday 8th October at 7.00pm, there will be a candlelit procession with the Statue of Our Lady of Willesden from the shrine church and through the streets of Willesden, praying for the protection of London and for the gift of vocations to the priesthood. It will be attended by the Seminarians of the Diocese and Canon Stuart Wilson will preach. All are welcome.

SISTER MARY O'MALLEY RIP Funeral takes place at 12.00noon on Tuesday at St. Bernadette's Church, 160 Long Lane, Hillingdon UB10 0EH. Her body will be received into the church the night before at 4.30pm. All welcome to attend. May her gentle soul rest in peace and rise in glory.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY was last Friday 6th October. Envelopes can be returned in the Barrel with the Sunday Collection.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

	LOOSE	ENVELOPES	TOTAL
SUNDAY 24 th SEPTEMBER	£146-50	£140-00	£186-50
SUNDAY 1 st OCTOBER	£205-77	£210-00	£415-77

FOR WHICH MANY THANKS INDEED

(These figures do not include donations made electronically by "Dona")

COUNTERS (1/10) TEAM D (7/10) TEAM A