SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER + 26TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME +

MASSES THIS WEEKEND
26TH / 27TH SEPTEMBER



6.00 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

9.30 AM ALY, ELLIE & DAN RADLETT **INTS B'DAY**

11.30AM WORK OF THE SVP

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK / IN NEED
Tom Cole, Josephine McRae, Ida Houlden, Teresa Collins, Audrey Farrell.

THOSE IN OUR NURSING HOMES especially Sarah Joyce, Katie Loftus, Hilda Minoli, Bill Garvey , Ray and Elizabeth King and Angela Johnson.

FOR OUR HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS especially Marie Hardy**,** Pat Faille, Flora Zudthipunmare

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME : Merle Roke, Bernard Meleady, Luigia and Mario Pirroni, Mary Grant—Ross, Fred Mattingley

THE CANDLE FOR THE SANCTUARY LAMP



has been donated this week in loving memory of

LUIGIA & MARIO PIRRONI

RIP





THE VIGIL LAMP AT OUR LADY

burns this coming week for the intentions of

The PARISH SVP GROUP

Dear Parishioners,

"Which of the two sons did his father's will?"

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus tells a parable about the two sons who react in different ways to their father's request to work in his vineyard. The first says no but then thinks better of it later and goes. The second says yes but doesn't go. Jesus finishes by asking *"Which of the two sons did his father's will?"* We could see the first son representing the tax collectors and sinners, those who initially say no to God's law but later repent and respond to Jesus. The second son can likewise represent the chief priests and elders, who appear to say yes to God but who reject the teaching and the person of Jesus, the Son of God. The first son can also be a model for us because each of us in some way can struggle to enter into perfect obedience to God's will. From our conception onwards we inherit the disordered tendency towards resisting God that comes from Original Sin. Though we are created good and in the image of God, our nature is wounded and inclined toward what is contrary to a life of true faith, hope and love. The spiritual journey we undertake in this life assisted by the Church is one in which grace can slowly reorder our fallen selves and restore us as obedient children of God. Jesus and his saving mission are also implied in the parable because he is the one who both says yes to his father and follows through by his perfect obedience in accepting death on a cross for our salvation. Let us reflect today on these two sons. In what ways do we find it difficult to say yes to God's will? Like the first son, we can allow grace to work within us, forming our conscience and compelling us to act in accordance with God's will, especially in the areas where we resist the most. On this Sunday, when we welcome Archbishop Richard Moth to our parish to the Sunday 11.30am Mass to bless the new inscription of the Our Father in our church, we can ask that this very prayer would remain dear to us and help us to lovingly to say yes to our Father's will for us in our lives.

God Bless You, ***Fr Martin***

ARCHBISHOP VISIT SUNDAY 27TH this Sunday at the 11.30 am Mass, Archbishop Richard Moth will be celebrating mass with a special blessing for the 'Our Father' inscription new to our church. Please come along and help the parish celebrate this occasion. Following this, in the hall there will be a bring and share lunch– with savoury dishes provided by Divine and Delish. If you are able to bring either a salad or a dessert (finger food) suitable to accompany the dishes, please sign up on the sheets at the back of church.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL—FEAST DAY 27TH SEPTEMBER. The Saint of all charitable societies and the Patron Saint of the SVP society. We remember today his legacy of serving the poor, vulnerable and those in need in our communities. We pray for those continuing his work, especially the SVP group in our parish. More information about the SVP can be found here **HTTPS://SVP.ORG.UK/OUR-WORK**

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest. Next week we will have CAFOD representatives speaking at all the masses explaining how we can put our faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water.

TRAINING FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS will begin on **Sunday 11th October 2026** after the 9.30am Mass. If you are interested please put your name on the list at the back of the church.

MASS TIMES

28th September– 4th October

DAY	CHURCH OPEN	MASS TIMES	INTENTIONS / DETAILS / FEAST
MON 28TH SEPT	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	FR PERRY SYKES **INTS** ST WENCESLAUS
TUES 29TH SEPT	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	MARY O'BRIEN (**L/D**) **RIP** SS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL
WED 30TH SEPT	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	JOSH HALL **INTS** B'DAY ST JEROME
THURS 1ST OCT	10 AM TO 11 AM	**NO MASS**	**ROSARY AND EXPOSITION** ST THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS
FRI 2ND OCT	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	TOM BYRNE **INTS** HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS
SAT 3RD OCT	9 AM TO 11 AM	**9.30 AM**	STEPHEN & ANNEMARIE DEVITT **INTS W/A** BLESSED VIRGIN MARY **FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION AND CONFESSIONS**
SUN 4TH OCT		**6.00 PM (SAT)** **9.30 AM** **11.30AM**	EBENEZER ODEI-KWATIA **RIP** PEOPLE OF THE PARISH THE WOOLLARD FAMILY **INTS** TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY

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THE PARISH MEMORIAL BOOK has been updated and is back in situ. If you had an entry request in this batch and would like to see this before it displays in the appropriate month, please let the office know.

PARISH STATISTICS– over the next three weekends there will be a mass count to assist with pastoral statistics in the Diocese.

ST BERNADETTE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL IN HILLINGDON is looking for new Foundation Governors to join our friendly and welcoming governing board. If you are a practising Catholic and have the time, energy, and skills to work with school leaders and the Diocese of Westminster Academy Trust to help achieve the very best outcomes for children in our community, we would love to hear from you. No specific experience in school governance is necessary as full training and support is given. If you'd like to find out more, please email the co-chairs Deb & Jo at chairofgovernors@stbernadetteschool.co.uk and they will be happy to tell you more about the role and answer any questions you may have. We look forward to hearing from you!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

THE LIFE ASCENDING GROUP The next meeting will be **Wednesday 30th September at 2.30pm** in the Library and every fortnight thereafter. Their welcome extends to all Christians in their middle to later years. This involves half an hour of prayer and a discussion around the current material from the Agency for Evangelisation for small groups.

ST JOAN OF ARC school open evenings for new year intake 2027 are on the following dates; **Thursday 1st October** 5.00pm - 8.00pm Open Morning - **Friday 2nd October** 9.30am -11.30am. Further information can be obtained from the following link. https://www.joa.herts.sch.uk/2918/open-events-2026#

SVP—Will meet next on **Sunday 4th October** after the 9.30 mass in the Library.

FOODBANK next collection will be **Mon 5th October** They are in urgent need of sugar, long life milk, tinned vegetables & fruit, juice, noodles, jams, honey, condiments, tinned meat, soup, tomatoes, tinned puddings, rice, cereals. Thank you.

A TALK AND Q & A with historian Joanne Paul, author to a biography on St Thomas More. **Thursday 15th October 7pm** St Thomas More church 9, Henry Road, Manor House London N4 2LH. Tickets £10 available https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-thomas-more-a-talk-and-qa-with-historian-and-broadcaster-joanne-paul-tickets-1994679838091For further information, contact John Mullen on **07950 218857** or at **johnmullentv@gmail.com**

FOR INFORMATION: MASSES ARE LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE HOUSEBOUND AND UNABE TO ATTEND. IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO BE VISIBLE ON THE STREAM, PLEASE SIT FURTHER BACK IN THE CHURCH.