

OUR LADY AND ST MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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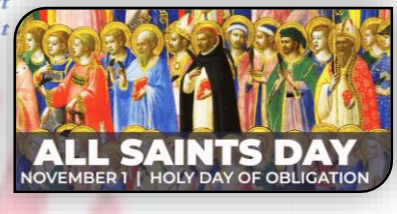

ALL SAINTS (Year A)

1st – 8th November 2026 (Ps Wk. 3)

PARISH TEAM

PARISH CLERGY:

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Parish Administrator: *garston@rcdow.org.uk*
Catia ANDRADE *Office Hours:*
Mon. 8.00-12.00 Tue. 8.00-10.00 Fri. 9.00-15.00
Parish Bookkeeper: *garstonbk@rcdow.org.uk*
Laura ETSON: Office Hrs: Wed. 9.30-2.30 pm

OUR SCHOOLS:
***St Michael's High School**
***St. Catherine Primary**
***St Michael Pre-School**

SAFEGUARDING Reps: **1: Debbie Stone** garstonsg2@safeguardrcdow.org.uk
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Parish Bank Details: **Name: *WRCDT Garston; Sort Code: 40-05-20; Acc. N.: 41095897***
Please add your appropriate reference (Mass intention, etc) to help our bookkeeper.

CONFESSIONS: Every Saturday, 5:15 pm-5:45 pm or by appointment

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION: We welcome new parishioners. Please get in touch with the parish office to receive a welcome pack and register with the parish. **FUNERALS**: The Catholic Church does allow for both burial and cremation, but does NOT permit scattering of the ashes; they must be buried or interred. Please speak to the parish clergy to arrange this.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✝**FIRST FRIDAY MASS FOR THE SICK AND ADORATION:** On the 6th of November at 9.30 am, beginning with Mass followed by Adoration.

✝**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES:** Will take place on November 14th at 10 am in the North Watford Cemetery.

✝**YOUTH MASS AND MEETING:** Our next youth Mass and gathering will take place on the 7th of November in the Church at 6 pm and in the Hall at 7 pm.

✝ **PARISH CLEANER VACANCY:** A new position for a Parish Cleaner is now open. Apply online via the application form https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk further details are available on the notice board at the back of the church. In the meantime, we still need volunteers to help with cleaning, particularly the parish and hall bathrooms. If you can assist in any way, please speak to the Clergy or contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your kind support and generosity.

✝**MASS FOR THE DECEASED:** will take place on 20 November 2026 at 9.30 am November is the Month of the Holy Souls. Dead List envelopes are available at the back of the church. If you would like deceased family members or friends remembered at this Mass, please complete an envelope and return it in the offertory collection by 14/15 November, if possible. 🙏

✝**LEGACY DRIVE – 14 & 15 November:** Our annual Legacy Drive will take place at every Mass on 14 and 15 November. This is an opportunity to help secure our parish's future and leave a lasting legacy for generations to come. Thank you for your support and generosity. 🙏

✝ 🎶 **Afro Beats Night – 14th November 2026** 🎶 Get ready for an unforgettable evening of music, food, and fun at our Afro Beats Night! Enjoy a lively atmosphere with Bar, music by DJ Black, Raffle, Suya, Puff-puff, Jollof & lots more! Adult £12.50 | Child £5. Tickets on the door £15 (subject to availability – book in advance to guarantee your place)

✝**VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG CATHOLICS (18–34)**

Caritas Westminster, in partnership with the Irish Chaplaincy and Anna Chaplaincy, is offering free training in prayerful accompaniment, listening, and pastoral and spiritual care. No previous experience or Irish background is required. A wonderful opportunity to put your faith into action and make a difference! Please register your interest by Friday 6th November. To register your interest https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/mpyr8gYhSr

✝**MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS:**

The Friends of Westminster Cathedral are inviting everyone on Wednesday 4 November at 6.30pm to Westminster Cathedral Hall, for a talk by Fr Hugh MacKenzie on Magnifica Humanitas. As AI increasingly shapes our studies, working lives and relationships, this promises to be a fascinating and timely discussion. Drawing on Pope Leo's teaching, Fr Hugh will consider what makes human intelligence unique.For further details https://westminstercathedral.org.uk/news-events/

SACRAMENTS and CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

✞ **BAPTISMS:** The next baptism course will be on 14th November at 9.30 am. Register online.

✞**FIRST COMMUNION:** Introduction session – 9th November 2026 at 7 pm.

✞**CONFIRMATION:** Next Parent Session- 5/11/26, candidates' session – 7/11/26, followed by Youth Club in the hall.

✞**RCIA:** Will meet on Tuesday.

GENERAL PARISH NOTICES

✞ **SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Pray for Noel Patten, Livinus Agu, Jolanta Nowak, Nimmi Pannell, Mary Murphy, Jimmy Murphy, Ruban Ambrose, Kathleen Sole, Maria Bayle, Ana Adeleke, Joe Rooney, John Moloney, Joseph Melder, Gillian Beagley, Ellie Belsham, Monica Davis, Jacqueline Cherrill, Janet Richardson, Julie Harrison, Helen J and Mary J Cash, Sandra Clark, Miss Clancy, Nicola Roche. ***A full list is available on the parish website.***

✞**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Pray for Raffy, Barry Soto, Eugene O'Connor, Eileen Cassidy, Miles Cash, Eileen Cash, Paddy and Billy Cassidy, John Berry, Vincent Wem, Kevin Herbert, Thomas Hughes, Josephine Wem, Carol Ann Powel, Giovanni Torrano, Dennis Murtagh, Kieran Calder, Fr. Peter Dwyer, Sammy Connors, Gerry Olohan, James O'Connell, Sherley Robbins, Ann O'Connor, Michelle Cirilio, Graham Booth their families at this time of loss.

✞**THIS WEEK COLLECTIONS:** **Loose: £ 477.70, Envelopes: £63.40** Contactless donations shared monthly. Thank you for your Support.

✞ **CHURCH CLEANING:** Team 1 will clean the church next Friday. You are invited to join them. Thank you to those who volunteer for this, and if you can spare some time, please help in this ministry.

UPCOMING PARISH / SOCIAL EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	WHERE
07/11/2026	Youth Mass	6 pm	Church
07/11/2026	Youth Club	7 pm	Parish Hall
14/11/2026	Afro Beat Night	7.30 pm	Parish Hall
06/12/2026	Seniors Christmas Party	2 pm	Parish Hall
13/12/2026	Children's Christmas Party	1.30 pm	Parish Hall

✞PARISH GROUPS:

	Group	When	Where
Monday	*Finance Committee*	**12th January 2027 at 7 pm**	Meeting Room
	PAC	**1st February 2027 at 7 pm**	Meeting Room
Tuesday	*Spiritan Friends*	**7 pm - 1st Tuesday (monthly)**	Presbytery
	St. Vincent de Paul	**7:15 pm 2nd Tuesday (monthly)**	Meeting room
	Serra Club	**7:30 pm - 2nd Tuesday (monthly)**	Church and Hall
	RCIA	**6.15 pm Tuesday**	Meeting room
Friday	*Sunshine Club*	**2 pm-4 pm - 1st Friday (monthly)**	Hall
	Charismatic Prayer Grp	**7:30 pm – fortnightly**	Church
Saturday	*Liturgy Committee*	**13th January 2026 at 10 am**	Meeting Room

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

All Saints (Year A)

SANCTUARY LAMPS: Margaret and Terry Gidman RIP

31/10 SATURDAY	**6.00 pm Vigil Mass** **ALL SAINTS**	* Michael and Sheila O'Connor RIP
01/11 SUNDAY **Revelation 7:2-4. 9-14** **1 John 3:1-3** **Matthew 5:1-12**	**8:30 am Mass (Ps Wk. 3)** **10.00 am Mass** **ALL SAINTS** **Tea and Coffee** **12.00 noon MASS**	* Dorothy Robbins RIP anniversary * Kevin Herbert RIP *Missa Pro Populo
02/11 MONDAY	**9.30 am Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**	*
03/11 TUESDAY	**9.30 am Feria Mass**	*Holy Souls in Purgatory
04/11 WEDNESDAY	**6:30 pm** Adoration **7.00 pm Saint Charles Borromeo**	* Michael, Sarah, Martin and Nell Madden RIP *Mary Kelly RIP anniversary
05/11 THURSDAY	**No Mass**	
06/11 FRIDAY	**9.30 am Feria Mass**	*David and Mary Evans RIP
07/11 SATURDAY	**6.00 pm Vigil Mass** **32nd Sunday Of Ordinary Time**	*Mary and Danny O'Sullivan (RIP) Anniversaries
08/11 SUNDAY **Wisdom 6:12-16** **1 Paul 4:13-18** **Matthew 25:1-13**	**8:30 am Mass (Ps Wk. 4)** **10.00 am Mass** **32nd Sunday Of Ordinary Time Tea and Coffee** **12.00 noon MASS**	*José Nicolás Almeciga special int. *Teeja & Joseph 21st Wedding Anniversary *Francis Beard RIP 6th ann

MASS INTENTION

To offer a Mass Intention, please email the office, give a note to the parish clergy, or post a note through the presbytery letterbox. Please include intention details (name and RIP/anniversary/private intention)

NOTE: IF THERE IS A FUNERAL, THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE MASS

JOIN THE PARISH WEEKLY PRAYERS:

✞ **MORNING PRAYER:** Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9. 00 am

✞**ADORATION/BENEDICTION:** Wednesdays 6.30-7.00 pm

✞**1st FRIDAY OF THE MONTH ADORATION: 8.30-9.15**

SECOND COLLECTION:

WEEKEND	CAUSE
15/11/2026	Sick and Retired Priests
22/11/2026	Diocesan Youth Ministry
29/11/2026	New Hope