

PARISH TEAM

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Mass Intentions: please write the intention on the front of an envelope with your own name and preferred date and give to Fr Paul.

- **Infant Baptism:** If you wish to have your child baptised, please see and speak to Fr Paul after Mass
- **Confessions:** Saturday 10.30 -11 am or by appointment
- **Items for the newsletter** should reach the presbytery **by Thursday 4pm**, either by post or by email goldersgreen@rcdow.org.uk
- **Want to receive the newsletter by email?** Give us your email address
- **Parish Office hours:** The Parish Office is open 10 am to 3 pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays (except Bank holidays)
- **Hire of the hall: currently suspended**, Sorry but the hall is not available for further hire
- **New to the parish?** please complete one of the blue registration cards and return to Fr Paul
- **In case you are admitted to hospital:** In light of data protection, please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.
- **School forms:** For parents who wish Fr Paul to sign their priest's reference form: please telephone or email to arrange an appointment.
- **Getting Married:** couples are reminded that six months' notice is required for a wedding, either in this country or abroad.
- **Visiting the housebound:** if you know of any elderly or housebound person who would like to be visited at home, please let Fr Paul know.



Parish Diary

- **Pray the rosary weekly on Tuesday at 7.30 pm.** Contact Alvaro if you would like to join: alvano@rcdow.org.uk
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75311892635?pwd=OC8xaFZZZUx2amt3OFhCd09QWC80dz09> Meeting ID: 711 3775 6138P passcode: Wx48sB
- **Come and find your voice with our choir.** If you are interested, please talk to Mary, preferably after the 10:30 Mass
- **Visit the Repository** for your religious items after the 10:30 am Mass



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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th October 2024

Dear Friends, on Monday we celebrate Our Lady of the Rosary and Pope Francis urges all of us to find sometime that day to pray earnestly for peace in the Middle East as we fear an escalation in violence. Our parishioners who are going to Fatima will be praying for peace each day, so please unite with us in prayer at such a worrying time.

Next Sunday our choir celebrates 40 years of service to our community and we congratulate them. We are truly blessed to have such good music and singing at our services, due in no small part to Mary and all the singers and musicians who give so willingly of their time and talent. If you want to join in this vital ministry just speak to Mary and come along.

Our next adult faith sessions will begin on Monday 14th October at 7pm in the hall. We will be exploring our Catholic faith guided by Bishop Barron's *Catholicism* videos. The course will run for 8 weeks through October and November. Please join us if you are seeking adult baptism and/or confirmation or you just want to learn more about your faith and meet other parishioners.

It would be good to form small teams of welcomers to greet people at our Sunday Masses as they come in. Many parishes have this ministry in place and I know that new parishioners and visitors appreciate a word of welcome. If you can help, just let Fr Paul know and start!

Finally, be assured of my prayers for your intentions as we go to Fatima on Monday until next Friday. May our Blessed Mother hear our prayers and in her maternal care grant them through Jesus her Son. Amen.

Fr Paul

Sunday 6th October	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	9 am: <i>Parishioners</i>
	10:30 am: <i>Martin How</i>
	6 pm: <i>Graham Morgan RIP</i>
Monday 7th October	10 am: <i>Anthony Clark RIP</i>
Tuesday 8th October	10 am: <i>Charles Sagayam RIP</i>
Wednesday 9th October	No Mass
Thursday 10th October	No Mass
Friday 11th October	10 am: <i>Mario And Theresa Intention</i>
Saturday 12th October	10 am:
Sunday 13th October	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	9 am: <i>Parishioners</i>
	10:30 am: <i>Jeanne Wood 103rd Birthday int.</i>
	6 pm: <i>Parishioners</i>



Word for Today

“ This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

(Genesis 2:24) A Christian marriage is different from others since the love between two Christians is a mirror that reflects Christ's love for his Church. So to fall in love with your husband or wife is to share in the endless love that God has for the world.



Texts for this Sunday's Mass

Gen 2:18-24 : *They become one body*

Psalm response: *May the Lord bless us all the days of our life*

Heb 2:9-11 : *The one who sacrifices, and the ones who are sanctified, are they of the same stock*

Mark 10:2-[14]16 *What God has united, man must not divide*

Foodbank: 🛒 **This week's much needed items are:** dried pulses, honey, crackers, shampoo , empty egg boxes for 12 eggs in particular . Please also see the list in the porch for this year's Harvest shopping list requests. Thank you

Adults seeking Baptism and/or Confirmation: We invite adults who want to become Catholics or be confirmed in the Catholic Faith to contact Fr. Paul for an initial discussion about the way forward. Speak to him after Mass or send an email to goldersgreen@rcdow.org.uk

CAFOD Family Fast Day – Harvest Appeal We have our second collection for CAFOD's Harvest Appeal this Sunday There are a few gift aid envelopes on the table in the porch, if you need one. Kindly put your donation or gift aid envelope in the retiring collection bags. Thank you

Fatima Pilgrimage On Monday 7th October, 33 of us leave for a 5-day pilgrimage to Fatima. We will be praying especially for peace in our world and for each of you too. If you have any particular intentions, this Sunday is your last opportunity to hand them to Fr Paul. You can write them and put them in an envelope for Fr Paul to take to Our Lady's shrine. A reminder to our pilgrims that you will need to arrange your own transport to and from Heathrow Terminal 2 for the early check in! Fr Paul will meet you **at the departure gate** on the day.

Weekday Mass 7th to 11th October 2024 Regular weekday Mass goes, please note that Mass will only be celebrated at 10 am on **Monday 7th, Tuesday 8th and Friday 11th October** . The Church will only open for Mass and close immediately after Mass. On the other days, you are welcome to visit our neighbouring parishes. Weekday Mass times are 9:15 am St Agnes, Cricklewood and 10 am at St Philips, Finchley (no Mass on Wednesday).

St James' Catholic High School, Barnet - 90th Anniversary As part of the 90th anniversary celebrations, the school will be hosting an event for former pupils and staff at **3pm on Sunday 13 October 2024** at the school. This will include Mass, followed by refreshments and an opportunity to catch up with some familiar faces. If you would like to attend, please e-mail admin@st-james.barnet.sch.uk

A Day with Mary is taking place at **Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 12 October (9.45am to 5.00pm)**. Further information is available at <https://www adaywithmary.org/> or <https://eventcatholic.com/>

Liturgical Ministers The new rota is ready. You should have received an electronic copy. There are a few paper copies on the table in the porch . Please take one if you'd like/need to. The rota is also on display on the notice board at the back of the Church next to the Calvary Chapel.

Parish Office Please note that the Parish Office is **closed Monday 7th to Friday 11th October 2024**. The Office **re-opens** at 10 am on **Monday 14th October 2024**.