school website for further details www.st-marks.hounslow.sch.uk.

GUNNERSBURY CATHOLIC SCHOOL YEAR 7 OPEN DAYS 2026
MON 28 Sept - 1.30pm – 3.00pm
WED 30 Sept 2026 - 10.30am – 11.30am
To register and for further information visit our website:**www.gunnersbury.com**

UK PRAYS will be saying a public First Saturday rosary for the return of our nation to Christ on Saturday October 3rd at 12-12.30pm at the Lion Gate, Hampton Court Palace, Hampton Court Road,KT8 9DD a side gate opposite Bushy Park. Do not go to the main palace entrance.

On Monday 28th September, please pray & fast for the **end of abortion and euthanasia in this country**. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed. For information on the days of Prayer and Fasting contact The Good Counsel Network on 020 7723 1740, or via www.goodcounselnetwork.com.
"And the people of Ninevah believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least… God saw their efforts to renounce their evil ways. And God relented about the disaster which He had threatened to bring on them, and He did not bring it." (Jonah 3:5,10)

Adoremus Vigil on Friday, 9 October 2026, 7 - 9 pm at the church of Most Holy Trinity, 39 Dockhead, London SE1 2BS (London Bridge/Bermondsey). The Adoration's reflection will be by Fr Emmanuel Mansford of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal and worship music will be led by One Hope Project. The Vigil may specially resonate with young adults.

Adoremus Overnight Adoration at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday, 10 October 2026 starting at 8 pm.

Come and See: Diocese vocations morning for the Priesthood and Permanent Diaconate on Saturday 17th October

Foodbank Shopping List: Tinned Fruit & Custard, Tinned Sardines & Mackerel, Tinned Tomatoes & pasta sauces, Instant Coffee, Vegetarian Mains (Curry, Chilli, etc...) Thank you!

SOCIAL CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat 26th Sept	Cross Keys + Monthly Draw

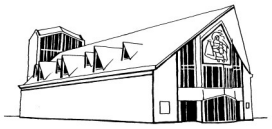
Total Collection: £2713
Envelopes: £ 316 Loose: £ 941 Contactless:£ 403 Standing orders: £1053

Eucharistic Ministers for Sunday 4th Oct 2026

Saturday	6.00 pm	S.Clayton
Sunday	08.00 am	S.Kalio
	10.00 am	P.Sheridan & A. Hull
	12.00 pm	E. Darroux & C. Barreto

Readers for Sunday

Saturday	6.00 pm	S. Pound
Sunday	08.00 am	F. Buchan
	10.00 am	T. Baptiste
	12.00 pm	J. Abalos



Our Lady & St. Joseph's Church Hanwell

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Parish Administrators: Pearl Johnstone & Marlene Wakim
Parish Office Hours: Mondays to Fridays (**Except Thursdays**): 10am - 2pm
Child Protection Reps: Catherine O'Keeffe & Nicola Hough
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27th September 2026 -Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time - A

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen was beatified in St Louis, Missouri, on 24th September 2026, the penultimate stage before canonisation. He had already been declared Venerable after Pope Benedict XVI recognised a decree that he lived a life of "heroic virtues" – a major step towards beatification. One further confirmed miracle now stands between Blessed Sheen and saint-hood.

Fulton Sheen's Eucharistic teachings and media broadcasts continue to shape British Catholics today. His insights are currently featured by EWTN Great Britain for the ongoing Eucharistic revival, building on a historic media legacy that began in 1930 with *The Catholic Hour*—a Sunday night radio phenomenon that drew four million weekly listeners and still circulates across UK Catholic networks.

Blessed Fulton Sheen is widely quoted as saying: *"If you don't behave as you believe, you will end by believing as you behave."*

That is Matthew's parable of the two sons in one line — the son who says "yes" and does nothing drifts from belief into pretense; the son who says "no" but goes to the vineyard proves his heart has turned through action, not words.

Parishes across England, Scotland, and Wales have a particular claim to rejoice this week — Blessed Fulton Sheen was, in title, one of their own bishops. His beatification, falling just before this Sunday's readings on the two sons, gives every parishioner a fitting occasion to ask his intercession for the grace to be the son who, whatever was said at first, actually goes into the vineyard.

Mass Intentions for the week commencing 26th Sept 2026

Saturday	6.00 pm	Julie McHugh	Annic
Sunday	08.00 am	Allison Griffin	RIP
	10.00 am	Jimmy Lynch	Anniv
	12.00 noon	People of the Parish	
Monday	10.00 am	Belinda Ann Samuel	RIP
Tuesday	10.00 am	Mary Risha	Sp Int
Wednesday	10.00 am	Simon & Alice D'Souza	RIP
Thursday	10.00 am	**No Mass**	
Friday	10.00 am	Michel & Family	Sp Int

Adoration: every Friday (provided there is no funeral) from 9:00 to 9.50am & every Saturday from 5:00 to 5.50pm.

Confessions: Always after Mass and BY APPOINTMENT. Please phone or email us.

RCIA & other Confirmation:
Please contact Fr. John or write to him at johnbaalaboore@rcdow.org.uk

Are you feeling lonely? If you would like someone from our Saint Vincent de Paul group (SVP) to give you a call, please contact the presbytery with your details and we will get back to you.

Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Novena: Every Tuesday after 10am Mass.

Knights of St. Columba Meeting: Every second Tuesday of the Month.

Baptisms: If you are a registered parishioner and have a child for Baptism, (or are expecting one) please contact the Parish Team for information on how to apply for a place on the Baptism Programme. Parents requesting permission for a Baptism to take place abroad will need to attend a preparation course first. Next date: 7th September 2026 7pm

Marriage Preparation: Any registered couple from our parish who are intending getting married in the Catholic Church are asked to note that the Church requires **at least six months notice prior to their wedding date**. Couples need to speak to their Parish priest so as to fill out the forms and also participate in a Marriage Preparation course.

Tea & Coffee: will be served after the 10am Mass every Sunday.

Registration Forms for all Parishioners: If you live and/or worship in our Parish please ensure that you have registered so that we have your correct contact details. It is essential to be registered if you wish us to support you in your pastoral needs. Please call the Parish Office Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri 10am to 2pm and **make an appointment**.

Readings for this Sunday

First Reading:	**from the prophet Ezekiel 18:25-28**
Psalm:	**Remember your compassion, O Lord.**
Second Reading:	**from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians 2:1-11**
Gospel Acclamation:	**Alleluia, alleluia.** **My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord, and I know them,** **And they follow me. Alleluia.**
Gospel:	**Matthew 21:28-32**

First Holy Communion 2026/2027:
Thank you for your applications for the programme. The parish office team will email you shortly about the schedule and any outstanding information.

Saturday Class: Sat 3rd Oct 9.30am - 10:45am

Confirmation 2026 / 2027: Programme yet to be finalised, please look out for details in the next newsletter.

Sunday Teas and Coffees: during term time only. We have raised over £800 for the Building Fund - a wonderful achievement! Thank you all for your support, generosity and your friendship.

Sunday Friends: Sun 13th Oct at 3.15pm - 5pm in the hall.

SAVE THE DATE: OLSJ Parish Events coming up
Sun 1st Nov 1pm - 3pm All Saints Day Party for children.
Sun 22nd Nov 1pm -3pm Feast of Christ the King Celebration
Sat 5th Dec 12noon till 3pm OLSJ Christmas Fayre
More details to follow soon.

Mary's Meals: Envelopes can be found in the church foyer. You have until next Sunday 4th October to return your envelopes with all your foreign coins/notes* in it. Mary's Meals currently feeds over 2.6 million children one good meal every school day and we want to reach many more. Please bring in your envelopes next week and you'll be helping Mary's Meals reach the next hungry child. Thank you.

Secondary School Transfers 2027 Catholic Parents who are **registered members** of our parish who require a 'Certificate of Catholic Practice' for Secondary admissions are welcome to email the parish office at hanwell@rcdow.org.uk with the child's full name, registered address, date of birth.
If you NEED to speak to a priest first, Appointments are available on 20th & 21st October from 11am-2pm. Please do not bring children to the appointment. All application forms must be completed beforehand and be accompanied with supporting documents and certificates. Please obtain a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate in advance of the appointment. The Catholic Parent is asked to bring the whole application form. Anyone who is new or ***just moved into the parish*** will need to have their forms signed by their previous parish priest who knows them.

Called to Serve A day for parish catechists, Caritas volunteers and youth leaders. Saturday 3rd October 2026. 10am - 4pm. SPEC Retreat Centre, Pinner, HA5 3EP. Tickets £10. Please email catadmin@rcdow.org.uk

Sunday 4th October marks the end of the **Season of Creation** and at the 12 o'clock Mass there will be a special celebration. Choir practice on 29th September is cancelled, members will be contacted individually as to further arrangements.

Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School Do consider our excellent local Catholic high school for your children. Open Morning Tues 29th Sep from 9am - 11.30am. If you would like to visit during these days please email the school on info@wiseman.ealing.sch.uk to arrange an appointment.

Gumley House School is delighted to invite prospective families to our Open Events which will take place on Monday 28th Sept from 9am until 11am and from 5pm until 8pm.
Thurs 1st October from 9am - 11am. Register at www.gumleyhouse.com/Open-Events

St Mark's Catholic School Open Events for entry into Year 7 in 2027 will take place on Tuesday 29th September. Please see the