

# OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS

## Kensal New Town



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 30TH NOVEMBER 2025



Prepare for Jesus' Peace  
this Christmas

### MASSES & SERVICES

<b>Sunday 30</b> 6 pm Vigil (Sat) 9.00 am 11.00 am	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> People of the Parish Holy Souls Holy Souls	<b>Thursday 4</b> 9.30 am <b>Friday 5</b> 11.00 am	<b>Saint John Damascene</b> School Advent Mass <b>Feria</b> Funeral Mass: Seamus Kennedy
<b>Monday 1</b> No Mass	<b>Feria</b>	<b>Sunday 6</b> 6 pm Vigil (Sat)	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> Keith Peter Caprice (RIP)
<b>Tuesday 2</b> 9.30 am	<b>Feria</b> Kennedy Family (INT)	9.00 am 11.00 am	People of the Parish
<b>Wednesday 3</b> 9.30 am	<b>Saint Francis Xavier</b> Jawdat Jajje (RIP)	12.30 pm	Helen Fahy (ANV) Divine Mercy Prayer

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** Every Saturday 5-6 pm in the church before Mass and during Confessions

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/ CONFESSIONS**, Saturday 5.15pm—5.45pm or by appointment (call 020 3376 4133)

**BAPTISMS** By appointment. Please see the website for more information, or speak to the Parish Priest. Adults wishing to enquire about the Catholic Faith should speak to the Parish Priest. (For some local Catholic Secondary schools, it is a requirement that your child is baptised within 6 months of birth.)

**WEDDINGS** For those couples wishing to get married here or elsewhere, it is important that you notify Fr Damian at least 6 months before your wedding date.

**ANOIDTING OF THE SICK** – If you are admitted to Hospital, please ask for your details are to be passed to the R.C. Chaplain and that you would like the R.C. Chaplain to visit. If any one is in danger of death and needs Last Rites at home, please, call Fr Damian at the office on 0203376 4134. If no answer, please call 07356 232090, and leave a message. He is generally available from Tuesday 6 am to Sunday 6pm.

To book a Mass or Lamp Intention, please contact the Parish Office

The Blessed Sacrament Lamp: Velez Family (INT)

The Lamp by the Shrine of Our Lady: People of the Parish

The Lamp by the Sacred Heart: Housebound

Please pray for the sick and homebound

Please pray for all those who have recently died, especially  
Seamus Kennedy, Kathleen Devine and Ignacio Maraggi

Presbytery: 68 Hazlewood Crescent, London, W10 5DJ. Tel: 020 3376 4133

Parish Office Hours: Tue-Fri 10:00—12:30

Website: [parish.rcdow.org.uk/kensalnewtown/](http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/kensalnewtown/)

Parish Priest: Fr Damian Ryan (IG: [@DamianRyan30](https://www.instagram.com/DamianRyan30))

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## **RIP**

The Funeral Mass of **Seamus Kennedy** will be on **Friday 5th December at 11 am** followed by the Burial Service at the **St Mary's Catholic Cemetery at 1:00pm**.

The Funeral Mass of Kathleen Devine will be on **Friday 12th December at 10 am** followed by a Committal Service at 12:00 West London Crematorium

We commend Seamus and Kathleen to the love and mercy of the Lord and pray for them and their families at this sad and difficult time.

## **ALPHA**

We are starting our 6th season of **alpha** for adults. Alpha is an 11 week series where everyone (from argumentative atheists to committed baptised Catholics) can get curious about the **big questions of life, faith, and meaning**, in a relaxed and informal way, with food and drink, input, and open discussion (you can say anything you want!). Our next season will start on **Sunday 11th January 2026 4-6 pm to Sunday 22nd March 2026** in our newly refurbished hall. Please, register by completing one of the alpha registration leaflet at the back of church and return them into the alpha box or office. One of the alpha team will confirm your place by calling you. Places are very limited, so register now to avoid disappointment!

## **YOUTH GROUP**

Our youth group is for those in **years 7-13, religious and non-religious**. The next one will be on **Friday, 12th December 2025 7-9pm**, and every third Friday of the month outside holiday time. It will have food and drink, social time, games, short video input, discussions, activities and prayer. The video theme this term **will focus around Jesus and his Sermon on the Mount teachings**. All are welcome and feel free to invite friends too! More info:

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/kensalnewtown/youth-group/>

## **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

Next weekend Sat Evening and Sunday 9 am until 130pm is our **Christmas bazaar**. Please come and join in the fun. Please make sure you have returned your raffle tickets and be in with a chance to win good prizes. If you want to donate any bottles or cakes or goodies bring them along sat evening or Sunday morning. If you are able to help at the bazaar please speak with Laura 07721 885648.

## **OLD TABLES AND CHAIRS IN THE HALL**

For those who asked to take an old table or chair from the hall please can you take this before the bazaar. Can you see Denis after mass. If we don't hear from you this weekend we will assume you no longer want them.

## **CHRISTMAS PREPARATION IN THE CHURCH**

We need volunteers **Friday 19th 7pm to 8.30pm** to clean the church, put the tree, crib and decorations up ready for Christmas please come along and help.

All will be done whilst we have beautiful background music playing and some mulled wine and mince pies afterwards.

## **CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND SOCIAL**

Join us for Christmas Carols and a festive social on Sunday, **21st December!** The Christmas Carols will take place in the church from **4:00 pm to 5:00 pm** featuring classic carols performed in a contemporary style and also with our children from St. Mary's Primary School. Afterward, from **5:00 pm to 7:00 pm**, head to the hall for the Christmas social. There will be festive music, food, drinks, and fun for all ages. You might even spot a certain jolly, bearded visitor (ho-ho-ho!). Please bring along some mince pies and mulled wine to share. We'll also hold a **small raffle**—if you have any prizes to donate, contact Laura Ryan at 07721 885648 or drop off your raffle gifts in the hall after any Mass between now and the 18th. **Invite your friends and neighbours**. No need to sign up—just mark the date in your diary and join us for a wonderful celebration!

## **CHRISTMAS NATIVITY 5PM CHRISTMAS EVE**

Parents, if you would like your child to take part in the **Nativity Presentation** before the **5pm Mass on Christmas Eve** please sign on the yellow forms on the notice board as soon as possible. **Children must be in Year 3 or above. Costumes will be provided.** We need parents to help with the rehearsals if this presentation is to take place. Please sign up as soon as possible.

## **DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS**

Divine Mercy Prayers takes place on the first Sunday of each month from 12.30-1:30pm. The next one will be on 7th December. Contact Celine Green for more information.

## **SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY VINNIE PACKS**

The SVP are distributing over 10,000 Vinnie Packs containing cold weather essentials to the homeless this winter. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £4.10 per pack. Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made payable to SVP or by bank transfer. NatWest Bank Sort Code 60-60-04 Account No. 4608 8237

## **AN INTERVIEW OF FR. DAMIAN RYAN BY DIVINE RENOVATION**

"A New Normal: A Story from the UK" is available at : <https://divinerenovation.org/blog/a-new-normal-a-story-from-the-uk/>

Offertory Collection for the week ends 16/11/2025:

Loose: £198.06 Envelopes: £347.55 Contactless: £90.47 Standing Orders: £234.50 **TOTAL: £870.58** **Thank you!**

**ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER:** Please make sure that any items you wish to be included in the weekly Newsletter are with the Parish Office by 10.30am on Fridays

**JOB VACANCIES WITHIN THE DIOCESE:** For more details, go to: <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk>.

**GIFT AID:** If you are a UK tax payer and wish to Gift Aid your donations, please contact the office or visit the parish website.