

# OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS

## Kensal New Town



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 21ST DECEMBER 2025



### MASSES & SERVICES

<b>Sunday 21</b> 6 pm Vigil (Sat) 9.00 am 11.00 am	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> Jimmy and Delia Kennedy (RIP) People of the Parish Anne Marie Phillip (1st ANV)	<b>Thursday 25</b> 10.30 am	<b>THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD: CHRISTMAS DAY</b>
<b>Monday 22</b> No Mass	<b>Advent Feria</b>	<b>Friday 26</b> No Mass	<b>SAINT STEPHEN</b>
<b>Tuesday 23</b> 9.30 am	<b>Advent Feria</b> John Joseph O'Donoghue (RIP)	<b>Saturday 27</b> 11.00 am Mass	<b>Advent Feria</b> Parish Pensioners
<b>Wednesday 24</b> 5.00 pm  10.00 pm	<b>Christmas Eve</b> <b>FIRST MASS OF CHRISTMAS &amp; Children's Nativity Tableau</b> <b>Solemn Mass of Christmas Night</b>	<b>Sunday 28</b> 6 pm Vigil (Sat) 9.00 am 11.00 am	<b>THE HOLY FAMILY</b> Debbie Barry (RIP) John Fox Delaney (RIP) People of the Parish

**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.

**ANOINTING 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



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The Blessed Sacrament Lamp: Julia Carrroll (INT)  
The Lamp by the Shrine of Our Lady: Velez Family (INT)  
The Lamp by the Sacred Heart: Jimmy and Teresa and Carroll (RIP)

Please pray for the sick and homebound  
Please pray for all those who have recently died .



Fr. Damian  
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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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Parish School: St Mary's East Row, W10 5AW. [www.st-marys.rbkc.sch.uk](http://www.st-marys.rbkc.sch.uk)  
Westminster Diocese Registered Charity No. 233699. [www.rcdow.org.uk](http://www.rcdow.org.uk)



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## 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!

## CHRISTMAS SERVICE/MASS LEAFLETS

Please, take a leaflet at the back of church for the revised Mass and service times over Christmas.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

A precept of the church is for every Catholic to go to the sacrament of reconciliation (confession) at least once per year. **Fr Daniel Isah** will kindly be available for the sacrament on **Sunday 21st December 10am - 12 noon (including during Mass)**. 'How to go to confession' leaflets are available at the back of church.

## 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!

## PENSIONER'S PARTY

The Missionaries of Charity are hosting a pensioner's party on **Saturday 27th December** at Our Lady of the Holy Souls. Mass will be at 11 am, followed by a party with lunch, music, and entertainment in the hall. Please, call the sisters on: 02089602644 if you're interested, for them to gauge numbers, and to say if you have any dietary and transport needs.

## MARY'S MEALS: THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Thank you so much for your **precious gift of £ 568.81**, which is helping us to transform the lives of hungry children around the world with a nutritious daily meal at school.

## COLLECTION FOR FLOWERS:

There will be a collection for Christmas Flowers for the Church after all masses today. We appreciate your generosity.

## CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Goes toward the priest's stipend. Please, give as generously as you are able.

## REHEARSALS FOR NATIVITY PRESENTATION

The rehearsals for the children's Presentation of the Nativity will be on Monday at Tuesday at 10:30 am.

## 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.

## SPECIAL DONATIONS DURING CHRISTMAS

In this Holy Season of Advent, if you can, please make a special effort to donate items to our **local food bank**. There are Advent Calendar posters at the back of the Church to give you ideas for what to donate each day. "

## REPOSITORY

Please visit our repository this weekend for your last-minute Christmas presents. There are lots of great gift ideas waiting for you! The repository will reopen on **10–11 January 2026**.

## CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed from Wednesday 24th December and will reopen on Tuesday 30th December.

## RETROUVAILLE

Christmas can be a time of great stress for some marriages and Retrouvaille helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships. Next date: 12th February 2026. Tel: 07887 296983 [WWW.RETROUVAILLE.ORG.UK](http://WWW.RETROUVAILLE.ORG.UK)

## 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/> Some hardcopies are available at the back of the church.

## FR DAMIAN'S HOMILIES:

If you would like to re-read Fr Damian's homilies at Mass, visit:

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/kensalnewtown/fr-damian-homilies/>

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Please, visit our [Website](#), [YouTube](#), [Facebook](#) pages and Fr. Damian's [Instagram](#), via the QR codes or link on the front page, to engage with our growing content.

## FAITH APPS

- [Bible in one year](#) (superb Christian Biblical commentary that goes through the whole bible in a year)
- [Hallow](#) (Excellent prayers, rosary, bible, and reflections)
- [Amen](#) (Good for Bible and prayers)

Offertory Collection for last weekend

Loose: £172.87 Envelopes: £270.67 Contactless: £83.60 Standing Orders: £234.50 **TOTAL: £761.64 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 by

contacting kensalnewtown@rcdow.org.uk. Newsletter items received after this time cannot be guaranteed to appear in the Newsletter that week.

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