OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS
Kensal New Town



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – 16TH AUGUST 2026



PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday 16th	**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
5.15 pm (Sat)	Confessions
6.00 pm Vigil (Sat)	Mass: Cornelius Seraphim & Soter Herelle (ANV)
9.00 am	Mass: Mary King (ANV)
11.00 am	Mass: Margaret Chohan (RIP)
Monday 17th	**Feria**
No Mass	
Tuesday 18th	**Feria**
9.30 am	Mass: Patricia Feeney (RIP)
Wednesday 19th	**Feria**
9.30 am	Mass: Catherine Samuel and Family (INT)
Thursday 20th	**Saint Bernard**
9.30 am	Mass: Mary O'Donoghue (BDAY)
Friday 21st	**Saint Pius X**
No Mass	
Sunday 23rd	**21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
5.15 pm (Sat)	Confessions
6.00 pm Vigil (Sat)	Mass: Theresa John (ANV)
9.00 am	Mass: Sick and Housebound
11.00 am	Mass: People of the Parish

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Every Wednesday 10 am in the church

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

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

The Blessed Sacrament Lamp: People of the Parish

The Lamp by the Shrine of Our Lady: Sick and Housebound

The Lamp by the Sacred Heart: Volunteers of the Church

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

Church Website

Fr. Damian Instagram

Church Facebook

Church YouTube

Presbytery: 68 Hazlewood Crescent, London, W10 5DJ.
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Website: parish.rcdow.org.uk/kensalnewtown/
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PARISHIONER TESTIMONY:

"When I started going church and Alpha, it helped me get closer to Jesus."
a 13 years old boy

7TH SEASON OF ALPHA

We are starting our 7th 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 20th September 2026 4-6 pm to Sunday 29th November 2026 in the hall.**

Spaces are very limited, so be sure to register early to avoid missing out! **To sign up, simply fill out one of the Alpha registration leaflets at the back of the church and drop it into the Alpha box or the office**. A member of the Alpha team will then call to confirm your place. If you need more information, just speak to Dennis. We can't wait to see you there!

ENROLMENT FOR FIRST COMMUNION 2027

Enrolment for Preparation for the **Sacraments of First Reconciliation and the Eucharist** will take place **in the hall** on: **Sunday 13th September at 12.00pm**

Children must belong to this parish and attend church regularly here. They must be in Year 3 or above in September 2026. If a child is baptised in a church other than Our Lady of the Holy Souls a Baptismal Certificate is required. Children must attend the enrolment with their parents.

MISSION RED BOX THANK YOU AND APPEAL

On **22nd - 23rd August**, we will welcome **Fr. Gerry Hastie MHM** to give a **Red Box Appeal**. **Missio is the Pope's charity for World Mission** and through the Red Box we support the Church around the World where it is young and in need. Please do consider supporting this important cause by taking a Red Box or signing up to give via Direct Debit.

NOTTING HILL CARNIVAL WEEKEND MASS ARRANGEMENT

There will be only **one mass at 9:30am on Sunday 30th August**. There will be no mass on Saturday 29th August.

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA is a process where adults who are not baptised, have not received Holy Communion, or who haven't received Confirmation in the Catholic Church are prepared to be fully received or initiated into the Catholic Church. If you, or any adult you know, would like more information, please, **contact Fr Damian by Sunday 20th Sep 2026.**

REGULAR DONATIONS TO MARY'S MEAL TRIPLED!

This is the back to school reality for millions of children living in the world's poorest communities – but a daily school meal can change that. A donation of £19.15 allows us to provide a hungry child with a whole years' worth of school meals, and right now that £19.15 will go THREE times as far. This is thanks to a generous donor who is tripling new regular gifts for the first three payments, up to a value of £250,000. More info www.marysmeals.org.uk

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR MP

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill returns to the House of Commons on **11th September**. The Catholic Bishops urge everyone to contact their MP to oppose the Bill, expressing concerns about its impact on vulnerable people, healthcare staff and hospices. Please make your voice heard. Find out more at cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide and righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote.

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/

CCTV IN THE SACRISTY

To help safeguard everyone using the sacristy, CCTV operates from 1 August 2026, recording video only. Footage is securely stored for 30 days before automatic deletion. Please contact the parish office with any questions.

VIDEO & PHOTOGRAPHY

Video & photography may be used at each Sunday 11 am Masses. If you would not like to be in videos or photos for parish social media, please, let Maria Estrella know at Mass.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Please, visit our Website, YouTube, and Facebook web pages, or via the QR codes, 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)
- **Universalis** (Great for Mass readings and prayers)

Offertory Collection for the week ends 9/8/2026: ***Thank you!***
Loose: **£230.33** Envelopes: **£252.58** Contactless: **£144.31** Standing Orders:**£250.33** **TOTAL: £877.55**

Please scan QR code to Donate

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.
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.

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