Catholic Church of Sts. Peter and Paul, Northfields

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Office Opening Hours Closed

Sacraments and Devotions:
Sacraments: on enquiry; devotions : Rosary after morning weekday Mass.

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.

Psalter week 2 & 3

18th and 19th Sunday Year A
Sunday 2nd and 9th August 2026

Readings This Week (18th Sunday) Isaiah 55:1-3, Ps 145(144), Romans 8:35; Matthew 14:13-21
Readings for Next Week (19th Sunday) Kings 19:-9a, Ps 85(84); Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33
Readings for following week (Assumption) Revelation 11:19a;12:1-6a, Ps 45, 1 Cor. 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56

Weekend Masses during August Please not that there will be **no Sunday evening Mass.**

Liturgical Ministries
(Contact details for information: Deacon Andrew andrewgoodall@rcdow.org.uk; Anna northfieldscat@rcdow.org.uk or 07787 048144). Training will begin in September.
a) Altar Servers & Readers New recruits required. Anyone of any age – from 8 to 80+! - eligible as long as First Communion has been celebrated. Training involves fortnightly sessions on Tuesday evenings after evening Mass. Please contact Deacon Andrew for more information
b) Eucharistic Ministers In order to be able to offer the option of Communion under both kinds (ie. the Body and Blood of Christ), more parishioners are needed. If you'd like to know more, please contact either Deacon Andrew or Anna.
c) Ministries of Reader and Eucharist Please sign up your availability over the summer break up to 19th/20th September. Please give Anna details of your availability between 26th/27th September and 19th/20th December by the beginning of September for the new rota to be compiled. Thank you!

Music in Sunday Mass The music ministry is taking a break until September.

Monday Morning Coffee and Chat .Running during August. Why not come to morning Mass and then meet with fellow parishioners in the Parish Hall? Or just come along for the coffee! Bring a friend!

London Irish Social Group The club runs weekly on a Thursdays from **11am – 2pm**. Contact Maria Connolly on 07592508680.

Meditation Group is taking a break until early September. Look back here for updates.

Help Needed . A local Care Home would like to invite people to drop in on a casual basis, interact and chat with the residents. For more information, please call Elizabeth (0208 567 1415) or Hazel (0208 567 9595).

The Passage Are looking for Men's Jeans and jogging bottoms, if you have any please call Elizabeth (0208 567 1415).

Catechists In order to provide regular sessions with children and young people for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and Communion and Confirmation, as well as providing faith enriching opportunities such as Children's Liturgy and Religious Education for Children in Non-Catholic Schools, and to comply with Safeguarding guidelines regarding adult: child ratios a large team of catechists/group leaders is needed for September, not comprised of parents of candidates only. Eligibility: 18 years of age and above. **A DBS check processed by the diocese is required for these roles.** In order to equip new volunteers well with formation, training and support, it is desirable that we know **as soon as possible** who may be interested in this particular and most important ministry of guiding and accompanying candidates along their sacramental journey and deepening their relationship with Christ. Theology degrees not required! If you would like to know more, please contact Anna, preferably by e-mail in the first instance: northfieldscat@rcdow.org.uk) to arrange a chat at a mutually convenient time. Training will be arranged to take place early autumn covering various aspects of catechesis.

Venezuela Appeal The UK Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), which includes CAFOD, has launched the Venezuela Earthquake Appeal to raise vital funds for communities affected by the earthquake in June. Please consider if you are able to contribute to the appeal. For more information and ways to donate, go to : https://cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/venezuela-earthquake-appeal . Please also keep those affected by this disaster in your prayers.

Safeguarding **The Parish reps** are Susie Worthington, northfieldssg2@safeguardrcdow.org.uk and Tracy Patterson northfieldssg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk Please note: the **taking of photos or recording in any way during Mass is strictly prohibited,** in accordance with Safeguarding policies.

Masses over the next Fortnight

Sunday 2nd August (18th Sunday Year A)
(Sat.) 6.00pm Peter Allington (Birth Int.)
8.30am Theresa O'Dwyer (LD.)
10.00am Fr Tom Quinn (Ann.)
11.30am James Frain (LD.)

Monday 3rd August
9.30am Patrick & Eleanor O'Brien (Ann.)

Tuesday 4th August (St John Vianney)
6.00pm Joe Harrington (LD.)

Wednesday 5th August (Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major)
9.30am Gabriele Bonavolta (LD.)

Thursday 6th August (Transfiguration of the Lord)
No Mass

Friday 7th August (St Ignatious of Loyola)
9.30am John & Marian Kennedy (Int.)

Saturday 8th August (St Dominic)
No Morning Mass

Sunday 9th August (19th Sunday Year A)
6.00pm (Sat.) Annie Smith (Ann.)
8.30am Fr Tom Quinn (Ann.)
10.00am Finn Diver (Get Well)
11.30am Barbara Lennon (LD.)

Monday 10th August (St Lawrence)
9.30am Eleanor O'Connor

Tuesday 11th August (St Clare)
6.00pm

Wednesday 12th August(St Jane Frances de Chantal)
9.30am Margaret Miller (LD.)

Thursday 13th August (Sts Pontian & Hippolytus)
No Mass

Friday 14th August (St Maximilian Mary Kolbe)
9.30am

Saturday 15th August
No Morning Mass

Prayers for the Sick We pray for those suffering from illness and their carers: Sheila Henderson, Betty O'Sullivan, Jadzia Stevens, Sally & Mick Chapman, Ellie O'Connor, Maria DeMarco, Denis Barry, Lauren Guidera, Eddie Jansz, Angela D'Souza, Richard Chance, Sean Nally, Aimi McEwan, Anna Keane, Geraldine Davison, Cerys Edwards, Donna O'Hagan, Ann Hagan, Alan Worman. M.S., Margaret Adu, Therese Biks, Shantha Kumari, Sagundala Devi, Ernst Barroclough, Barry Kiernan, Jane Spur, Sr Nichola Lovett MMS. Pat Regan. Our Lady, help of the Sick, pray for us.

Prayers for those Recently Deceased and Anniversaries We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have recently Theresa O'Dwyer, James Frain, Joe Harrington, Gabriele Bonavolta, Barbara Lennon, Margaret Miller and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time Fr Tom Quinn, Annie Smith, may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Catechetics (Sacramental Preparation) Contact Anna initially on or 07787 048144 with enquiries and queries. **Please include a mobile/phone number with your e-mail enquiry.**

Infant Baptism Participation in a short preparation course is required before celebrating the sacrament. For more information, please contact Anna preferably by e-mail initially. The next course will take place in October.

Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10am Mass, term time**.** Please note: Liturgy is aimed at children aged 3 -7 (Nursery to Year 2) and is a celebration and catechesis centred on the Gospel of the day, mirroring what is happening in the main church. Parents who accompany their children are expected to help their children to engage fully in this celebration. **More volunteers required now**. Please contact Anna for further information initially by e-mail. A DBS check is required for this role. Contact the parish Safeguarding reps. (see below.) Liturgy resumes in September.

Thinking of Becoming Catholic? Or would like to know more about the Catholic faith? For more information on how to go about this, please contact Anna to arrange an informal chat in the first instance.

Getting Married? Please note that at least 6 months' notice is required wherever your marriage is taking place. Church paperwork should be completed in the parish where you live. For further initial information, please go to https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/northfields/sacramental-prep/marriage-preparation/

Aged 16 or over, Catholic and never been confirmed? If this describes you and you would like to be confirmed, contact Anna, preferably by e-mail (northfieldscat@rcdow.org.uk) or phone/text on 07787 048144 Sessions will be arranged for baptised Catholic adults aged 16 and over who are looking to be confirmed. Please contact Anna so appropriate arrangements can be made.

First Communion & Confirmation Preparation 2026-2027 Application forms are available to collect from the back of the church. **Please note the strict deadline for the return of the forms: the end of Today, Sunday 2nd August.** This is to give time to make preliminary arrangements. Please only apply if you live within the parish boundaries or attend Mass here regularly (ideally weekly). For First Communion children in the new academic year, need to be in Year 3 at school or above; for Confirmation, Years 9 to 11. **Please read the forms carefully before completing them.**

Faith Sharing Group Leaders Gathering **Saturday 12th September, 2:00-5:00pm, St Monica's, Palmers Green**
This day is particularly aimed at current or aspiring Faith Sharing Group Leaders. We will have a first look at autumn's Faith Sharing Resource and hear about how Faith Sharing Groups work in different parishes. During the day there will also be the opportunity to tell us about the support your parish would need to establish or develop Faith Sharing Groups. For more information and to book please scan:

'Called to Serve' An opportunity for current and prospective catechists, Caritas volunteers and those who work in youth ministry to come together to reflect on and celebrate their ministry, keynote speaker will be Fr Patrick van der Vorst (founder of Christian Art).**Sat. 3rd October,** SPEC, 125, Waxwell Lane, Pinner, 10.00am to 4.00pm. Booking in advance encouraged as places are limited. Contact Warren at catadmin@rcdow.org.uk.

Parish Office will be closed from Friday 24th July till September 2nd, there will be ad hoc cover during this period, please email or phone if you need to come in. Emails and phone messages will be checked during this time.