# Catholic Church of Sts. Peter and Paul, Northfields

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**Office Opening Hours Mon, Tues, Wed and Friday 10.30am to 2.30pm**

**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 4

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# 24th Sunday Year A (Education Sunday)
## Sunday 13th September 2026

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**Readings This Week (24th Sunday)** Sirach 27:30-28:7, Ps 103(102); Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35
**Readings for Next Week (25th Sunday)** Isaiah 55:6-9, Ps 145(144); Philippians 1:20c-24; Matthew 20:1-16

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## Reflection from Father Hilary. Getting God Right (2)

Well, let us try to continue to get Him right! We have looked at God's Will. His Will is the most important matter of all. Indeed, it is the only important matter because if we got His Will right, then everything else would be put right in ourselves and in the world at large. To help us further, below is a powerful quotation on the matter from Fr Gerard Hughes S.J. Do please study it carefully, pray on it and keep it for future reference.

"If we were able to discover what we really want, if we could become conscious of the deepest desire within us, then we should have discovered God's Will. God's Will is not an impersonal blue-print for living forced on us by a capricious God and contrary to almost every inclination in us. God's Will is our freedom. He wants us to discover what we really want and who we really are. The struggle is not our will against God's Will, but our will struggling with it divided self, the will which wants all creation to praise, reverence and serve me against the will which want to praise, reverence and serve God, the will which want to take over from God against the will which wants to let God be God.

The saint is the person who has discovered his/her deepest desire. They then 'do their own thing', which is also God's thing. Their will and God's Will are in harmony, so that their lives are characterised by continuous peace, tranquillity, freedom and joy, even – perhaps especially – in crises and suffering".

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## 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) Your parish needs you!** New recruits of all ages are needed in the following areas: readers, altar servers, ministers of Holy Communion (minimum age 16), Please contact Anna (northfieldscat@rcdow.rg.uk ) or Deacon Andrew (andrewgoodall@rcdow.org.uk) Training and formation will take place in the Autumn.

**b) Ministries of Reader and Eucharist** Please sign up your availability over the summer break up to 19th/20th September. A new rota should be available to collect from the sacristy next weekend.

**Catechists** are desperately needed **now** to help lead or support sacramental preparation and passing on the faith to various age groups. We are all called through our baptism to witness to our faith and to 'Go, make disciples'. 'Perfect' knowledge of the faith not required, but rather a passion for sharing our faith. For more no obligation information contact Anna as a matter of urgency, and consider attending an information evening, for interested, new and experienced catechists, on **Wednesday 16th September, 7.30pm,** Parish Hall. This will be an in-person meeting only.

**Music in Mass** The music ministry returns this week! New singers and musicians welcome of all ages. Rehearsals in the church as follows : for 11.30am Mass: Weds. 7.30pm (entrance via Parish Office, Felton Road); for 10.00am Mass: Thurs, 7.30pm.

**Monday Morning Coffee and Chat** 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!

**'Second Sunday' Coffee Morning** **Today** after 8.30am and 10am Masses.

**Finance Committee Meeting** Monday 14th September, 8.00pm.

**Parents & Toddlers** Wednesday mornings, term time only, in the Parish Hall, 9.30am – 11.30am, a great opportunity to meet with families of the parish and the local area. We are still looking for volunteers to help run the group. please contact Rosa (northfields@rcdow.org.uk) in the office if you are interested.

## Masses over the next Week

**Sunday 13th September (24th Sunday Year A)**
*(Sat.)* 6.00pm Emma McConigley (Ann.)
8.30am Jack Martin (Ann.)
10.00am Peter Barry (Ann.)
11.30am Benny Tully (Ann.)
6.00pm Kathleen & Micheal Flahive (Ann.)

**Monday 14th September (Exaltation of the Holy Cross)**
9.30am Tenny Martin (Ann.)

**Tuesday 15th September (Our Lady of Sorrows)**
6.00pm Steve Stevens (LD.)

**Wednesday 16th September (Sts Cornelius & Cyprian)**
9.30am Martin Higgins (Ann.)

**Thursday 17th September (St Robert Bellarmine; St Hildegard of Bingen)**
**No Mass**

**Friday 18th September**
9.30am Maria DeMarco (LD.)

**Saturday 19th September(St Januarius)**
**No Mass**

**Sunday 20th September (25th Sunday Year A)**
*(Sat.)* 6.00pm Salman & Family (Sp Int.)
8.30am Yvonne Jones (LD.)
10.00am Tommy Duffy (Sp Int.)
11.30am Noreen & Christine Sinclair (Ann.)
6.00pm Betty Tully (LD.)

**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, , 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, 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 died Peggy McKeown, Mary McGee, John Reilly Steve Stevens, Yvonne Jones and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time, Emma McConigley, Jack Martin, Peter Barry, Kathleen & Michael Flahive, Tenny Martin, Martin Higgins, Noreen & Christine Sinclair, Benny Tully. 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. Liturgy resumes **this weekend**. More helpers urgently needed to be able to continue weekly term time provision.

**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.

**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.

**First Communion & Confirmation Preparation 2026-2027** Applications are now closed. If you have missed the deadline (2nd August), please contact Anna as a matter of urgency. Those who have applied, please check e-mails – including junk folders – for latest information.

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

**Climate Crisis** **Would you like to know more about the climate crisis and what can be done about it?** Join us for a screening of the People's Emergency Briefing - an eye-opening 50-minute film bringing together nine leading UK scientists and experts with the latest evidence and why it matters for things like: extreme weather, food security, health and the cost of living. The film is based on the National Emergency Briefing in Westminster with appearances from Chris Packham, Deborah Meaden, and a range of voices from across the UK. After the film there will be an open discussion about what it means for our community and what we can do locally. NB: This screening is strictly for ages 16+ and will take place in St Peter and Paul's church hall on **September 19th at 3.30 pm.** Entry is by free ticket from https://buytickets.at/stpeterandpaulnorthfields/2376137 Mass at 6.00pm will be for the Care of Creation.

**'Called to Serve' Day** for parish catechists, youth workers, and social action volunteers, **Sat, 3rd. October,** Westminster Youth Retreat Centre, Pinner. For more details see the poster in the porch or go to https://rcdow.org.uk/event/called-to-serve-day-for-catechists-youth-leaders-and-caritas-volunteers-2/ Requested donation £10. If you ae interested in going, please e-mail Anna.

**'Proclaiming the Word of God'** A morning of formation for readers, 10.00am – 1.00pm, Vaughan House, 46, Francis Street, London (Nearest tube : Victoria), **Sat 31st October.** More information: https://rcdow.org.uk/event/proclaiming-gods-word-exploring-the-ministry-of-reading-2/

**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.