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 1

26th Sunday Year A
Sunday 27th September 2026

Readings This Week (26th Sunday) Ezekiel 18:25-28, Ps 25(24); Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32
Readings for Next Week (27th Sunday) Isaiah 5:1-7, Ps 80(79); Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

Reflection from Father Hilary. Getting God Right (4)

Is God's Love unconditional? An Emphatic YES. Again, another essential truth without which we get God wrong and therefore everything else. **We** can be so conditional about **our** Love. "Unless a person is….this or that ….I won't love of him/her." God's Love is the opposite of all that kind of thing. His love for me doesn't depend on me having certain qualities. There is nothing you can do to make God love you more. There is nothing you can fail to do to make God love you less. Now, **there's** unconditional love for you! Many have got God wrong because they really don't believe this, Indeed, even amongst us believers, there can be strong tendency to doubt it. We can feel "its too good to be true". But it **is** true, a matter of our Faith, not the personal opinion of certain people, even of saints and scholars. "Lord, we believe – help our unbelief." There are three tiny words in the New Testament – **God is Love.** Note, He **Is** Love, doesn't just have it . Three powerful words.

This brings us to yet another truth of our Faith that what God wants from us is not primarily to do this or that or achieve such and such but to give Him our love. "Now you **are** exaggerating" you might say to me! No, no I admit it is not easy to believe because here is God almighty, all Loving, lacking absolutely nothing – needing nothing from us or anybody and yet – yet – He desires our love tremendously! Is God crazy?! Well, in one sense, yes! St Paul in fact talks about the craziness of God's Love as manifested in the Cross of Christ. We just have to stop often, in awe, remembering "My thoughts are not your thoughts, says the Lord. Your ways are not my ways." They sure aren't. But we **can** grow his thoughts, his ways.

Please Keep

Rest In Peace We pray for the repose of the soul of Peggy McKeown whose requiem will be celebrated on Monday 28th September, at 11.00am. This Mass replaces the Mass of the day.
We pray for the repose of the soul of Mary McGee whose requiem will be celebrated on Monday 28th September, at 2.00pm

Liturgical Ministries (Contact details for information: Deacon Andrew andrewgoodall@rcdow.org.uk; Anna northfieldscat@rcdow.org.uk or 07787 048144).
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). Training and formation will begin as follows, all after 6pm Mass:
Readers Tuesday 6th October
Altar Servers Tuesday 13th October
b) Ministries of Reader and Eucharist A new rota is available to collect from the sacristy this weekend. Please take a copy away with you.

Catechists are desperately needed **now** to help lead or support sacramental preparation and passing on the faith to various age groups. For more no obligation information contact Anna as a matter of urgency

Music in Mass 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 **Not running this week.**

School forms Fr Jim will be available to sign forms for High School and Sixth form on **Friday 2nd October** between **4.30pm and 6.30pm**, No appointment needed, just come to the presbytery door. More dates to follow.

CAFOD Fast Day Envelopes available this weekend. Appeal and collection next weekend.

Mass with Anointing of the Sick next Sunday, 4th October, 2.00pm, followed by refreshments in the hall. Help with refreshments appreciated. Contact Anna (northfieldscat@rcdow.org.uk or leave a message on 07787 048144) for details of arrangements.

Lift to Mass needed Partially sighted local parishioner is looking for a lift to any weekend Mass. If you can help, please contact Ann at **SVP** on 07979696356.

Masses over the next Week

Sunday 27th September (26th Sunday Year A)
(Sat.) 6.00pm Rose McNicholas (LD.)
8.30am Mary McGee (LD.)
10.00am Maria DeMarco (LD.)
11.30am Peggy Hoonjan (Spec Int.)
6.00pm Oliver Lennon (Ann.)

Monday 28th September (St Wenceslaus; St Laurence Ruiz & Co)
11.00am *Funeral* Peggy McKeown *RIP*
2.00pm *Funeral* Mary McGee RIP

Tuesday 29th September (Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael)
6.00pm People of the Parish

Wednesday 30th September (St Jerome)
9.30am Maria DaSilva (5th Ann.)

Thursday 1st October (St Therese of the Child Jesus)
No Mass

Friday 2nd October
9.30am Maria DeMarco (LD.)

Saturday 3rd October
No Mass

Sunday 4th October (27th Sunday Year A)
(Sat.) 6.00pm Cath Walsh (LD.)
8.30am Nora Finnigan (LD.)
10.00am Tom Burke (Ann.)
11.30am Mr Gerald Owens (Ann.)
6.00pm Tommy Duffy (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 Tommy Duffy, Cath Walsh (Michael's sister), Nora Finnigan and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time, Oliver Lennon, Maria DaSilva, Tom Burke, Gerald Owens, Gerry Flanagan, Adian Reilly. 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 courses will take place in October & November.

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 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.

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.

Season of Creation Our flower display draws inspiration from the Living Water of Ezekiel's vision and from CAFOD's work in Zimbabwe where the installation of local water systems has reduced the distances women and girls must travel to source water, giving them back time for education whilst strengthening health, dignity, and the future of the whole community.
Volunteer Morning, Saturday 3rd October 9.30—11.30: As we prepare the church for St Francis' Feast Day, marking the final weekend of the Season of Creation, we would be delighted to welcome volunteers to help with the decorations. Whether you enjoy arranging flowers, creating pillar decorations, putting up posters and cleaning, there are plenty of tasks to suit all abilities. Just come along to the church!

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

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.

Mount Carmel Primary is seeking a CFO St Carlo Catholic Academy Trust | Mount Carmel Catholic Primary School

Autumn Faith Sharing 'We Dare to Love' resource will be available soon to use alone or in small groups.

Praying with the Scriptures Saturday 24th October, 2:00-5:00pm Westminster Cathedral Hall : an inspiring and prayerful workshop on the holy reading of Scripture, as Archbishop Richard Moth leads us deeper into the practice of Lectio Divina: listening to God's Word, reflecting, praying, and learning how to carry this prayer into daily life. To book your place, please scan the QR code or email evangelisation@rcdow.org.uk

'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.