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 3

27th Sunday Year A
Sunday 4th October 2026

Readings This Week (27th Sunday) Isaiah 5:1-7, Ps 80(79); Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43
Readings for Next Week (28th Sunday) Isaiah 25:6-10a, Ps 23(22); Philippians 4:12-14; Matthew 22:1-14

Reflection from Father Hilary. Getting God Right (5)

We recently made a lot of God's Love being unconditional and rightly. It can never be stressed enough. But one might ask does this mean that God treats lightly people's wrongdoing? He certainly does not. He is the supreme forgiver, yes, but He is no sugar-daddy, no soft touch. Thank God He isn't! Right – His Love is unconditional but for us to benefit from it, **is conditional** on our cooperation. We have responsibility which is essential to our dignity as human beings. We must pull our weight. God's Love respects that responsibility. Our love too – for ourselves as well as for God, must likewise respect that responsibility. For us to think that it's alright to act irresponsibly because of God's unconditional love is not on at all – never.

Surely the only worthy response therefore, to the kind of true God we've been contemplating must be one of genuine love and gratitude towards Him, given His boundless unconditional Love for us? Nothing less is worthy. And the acid test of our love is the extent to which we do His Will. Half-hearted love is most unworthy and ungrateful. In the powerful words of Scripture you "must love the Lord your God with your whole heart and soul, with all your mind and all your strength and your neighbour as yourself". Our trust in God must grow to make such love become a bigger reality – in all our lives. And we should do that lovingly, willingly, gladly, enthusiastically, joyfully.

Please Keep

Rest In Peace We pray for the repose of the soul of: Tommy Duffy whose requiem will be celebrated on **Friday 9th October at 12Noon.** The Mass for Peggy McKeown has moved to 13/11/26.

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

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 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!

School forms Fr Jim will be available to sign forms for High School and Sixth form on **Monday 5th October** between **4.30pm and 6.30pm and Tuesday 6th between 6.30 and 7.30pm.** No appointment needed, just come to the presbytery door. More dates to follow.

Mass with Anointing of the Sick today at 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 living in South Ealing is looking for a lift to any weekend Mass. If you can help, please contact Ann at **SVP** on 07979696356.

Season of Creation The Feast of St Francis of Assisi invites us to care for creation as our common home and, reflecting on this year's Season of Creation, we give special thanks for "Sister Water". May we renew our commitment to protecting our waterways and ensuring that all people and living things can share in the precious life-giving resource with gratitude, justice and responsibility.

CAFOD Fast Day Appeal and collection this weekend.

Masses over the next Week

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)

Monday 5th October (St Faustina Kowalska)
9.30am Peggy McKeown (LD.)

Tuesday 6th October (St Bruno)
6.00pm Rosa McGregor (Birth Ann.)

Wednesday 7th October (Our Lady of the Rosary)
9.30am Bridget Hopkins (Get Well.)

Thursday 8th October
No Mass

Friday 9th October (St John Henry Newman)
12noon ***Funeral*** Tommy Duffy ***RIP***

Saturday 10th October (St Paulinus of York; St Denis & Co.; St John Leonardi)
No Mass

Sunday 11th October (28th Sunday Year A)
(Sat.) 6.00pm Tony Moroney (Ann.)
8.30am Danny Harrington (LD.)
10.00am Martin Guidera (Ann.)
11.30am Maria DeMarco (LD.)
6.00pm People of the Parish

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, Peter McVeigh, Christine McLaughlin, Nora Finnigan, Danny Harrington and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time, Tom Burke, Gerald Owens, a Rosa McGregor, Tony Moroney, Martin Guidera. 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.

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 available from this weekend 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/

Night Shelter dates 2027 We have confirmed that the Night Shelter will go ahead again next year, the dates we will host at St Peter and Pauls are Wednesday 17th and 24th February, Wednesday 3rd, 10th and 17th March. Please keep these dates in mind if you would like to Volunteer.

Contactless Giving We are currently experiencing problems with our contactless machine. If you would normally use this method to donate, please do so via our website using this link https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/northfields/donate/. or use this QR code entering 'Sunday collection' in the 'optional' line.

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.