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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

33rd Sunday Year A (World Day of the Poor)
Sunday 15th November 2026

Readings This Week (33rd Sunday) Proverbs 31:10-13, Ps 128(127); Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30
Readings for Next Week (Christ the King) Ezekiel 34:11-12, Ps 23(22); Corinthians 15:20-26; Matthew 25:31-46

Reflection from Father Hilary. Getting God Right (11) - Power

Perhaps nothing has contributed more to getting God wrong than the question of power. People are inclined to apply to God erroneous notions of power that are commonplace in the world. We apply "Almighty" all the time to God and indeed He is that. But how do people understand this? When people consider power, they usually are thinking of one of many ways power is abused. It comes out in phrases lie "he/she is made for power --- power-crazy" etc. Such abuses of power are wicked and horrendous. And it's not just people in high positions on the world stage who can be guilty but right down the line in all areas of society, we can all very easily abuse power. It can be crafty and subtle in us. Even children only a few years old playing together can already manifest similar tendencies! The world is saturated with abuse of power.

So then, what is power – **without** abuse i.e. without arrogance or bigheadedness or greed or selfishness, without disrespect for others, because we are all equal in dignity before God? It is being in control without becoming a bossy control freak. As ever we get the bet insights from Christ himself. "He who sees me, sees the Father." In other words He shows what God is like. God the Son Incarnate as a baby in Bethlehem – that's power manifested in helplessness. Later, as a man on the Cross on Calvary – that's power in seeming powerless – powerful Love expressed in utter vulnerability. Such Love has a power which Evil cannot match. Seek the power of love, not the love of power. And then His eloquent words to the disciples and to us all:- "You know that among the nations, rulers lord it over people and make their authority felt. **This must not happen to you.** No – anyone who wants to be great among you must be your servant just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many." He himself was servant to us in the sublime sense of giving his all in supreme Love at immense cost on behalf of each one of us.

That's power! Wow! **That's** leadership! and **that's** the kind of power the Almighty, the All-powerful has. How relevant all this is to war! Yes, God turns upside down the values of the world. "The foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom." Getting God right? We have a long way to go. And then, the huge task of getting ourselves right by getting this correct type of power accepted and implemented in us and throughout the human race. After all we are created in the image of God. What a task indeed. "Fight the good fight."

Please Keep

Rest In Peace We pray for the repose of the soul of Sr Joanna Whooley RSHM, former teacher and governor of Mount Carmel school whose funeral arrangements at Ealing Abbey are as follows: Reception into church Monday 16th November at 4.30pm; requiem Tuesday **17th November at 11am**.

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 takes place as follows, all after 6pm Mass:
Readers More dates in the New Year (this is because there are insufficient new readers to run the training); **Altar Servers Tuesday 1st December.**

Music in Mass New singers and musicians welcome of all ages. Rehearsals in the church as follows : for 11.30am Mass: Weds., 7.30pm – please use the Parish Office entrance; 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 Sixth form, Nursery and Reception on **Monday 16th November 5.30pm to 6.30pm .** No appointment needed, just come to the presbytery door. Dates to follow.

Second Sunday Coffee morning takes place **today** after 8.30am and 10.00am Masses.

Masses over the next Week

Sunday 15th November (33rd Sunday Year A)
(Sat.) 6.00pm Annie Bambury (Ann.)
8.30am Falbert Ah-Ti (Ann.)
10.00am Santana Demello (Ann.)
11.30am Tommy Duffy (LD.)/ Con Murphy (Ann.)
6.00pm Damian O'Sullivan (Cork) (1st Ann.)

Monday 16th November (St Edmund of Abingdon)
9.30am Tommy Duffy (LD)

Tuesday 17th November (St Elizabeth of Hungary; St Hilda;St Hugh of Lincoln)
6.00pm Deceased Siblings, Relatives, Wives and Husbands

Wednesday 18th November (Dedication of the Basilicas of)
9.30am Tommy Duffy (LD) **St Peter and Paul)**

Thursday 19th November
No Mass

Friday 20th November
9.30am Barbara Lennon (LD.)

Saturday 21st November (Presentation of the BVM)
No Mass

Sunday 22nd November (Christ the King Year A)
(Sat.) 6.00pm Micheal Hayes (Get well.)
8.30am Deceased Members of the Gill Family
10.00am Loretta Lukrassen (LD.)
11.30am Tommy Duffy (LD.)
6.00pm Bridie Farrell (Int.)

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. Helma Santisteban, 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, Sr Joanna Whooley RSHM, Michael Walsh, Alan Hannon, Osuk Nam, Loretta Lukrassen and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time, Annie Bambury, Falbert Ah-Ti, Santana Demello, Damian O'Sullivan, Con Murphy, Margaret Barrett. 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 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 Preparation has begun for both of these sacraments, please check e-mails – including junk folders – for latest information. Please pray for the families as they begin their period of preparation, that their relationship with Jesus deepens during the process. **Presentation Mass for First Communion** , next Sunday (22nd) during the 10am Mass.

Thinking of Getting Married in the Catholic Church? Please note that **at least 6 months' notice** is required wherever your marriage is taking place. For further initial information, please go to:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/northfields/sacramental-prep/marriage-preparation/

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.

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

SVP Christmas dinner, Save the date – Will be on **Monday 7th December** at The Castle, more details to follow.

November: Month of Holy Souls Dead Lists are available from the back of the church. Please return to the box. Donation not necessary. Masses will be celebrated on Tuesday evenings. See poster in the church for details.

Race Night- Fundraiser for the energy project. Friday 20th November. Please join us for a night of racing, food and drinks. Tickets £10 to include food and a welcome drink. Please contact Rosa on 020 8567 5421 or email northfields@rcdow.org.uk for tickets. Raffle tickets also available in advance.

Carol Service this year will take place on **Friday 18th December, 7.00pm,** followed by refreshments in the hall. Rehearsals begin 25th November, 7.30pm, in the church. All are welcome, singers and musicians of any age!

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, and that children under 10 years of age should be accompanied when going to the toilet in the sacristy**, in accordance with Safeguarding policies.