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Thursday 6pm
Sat 8:15pm & Sunday 9am & 11am

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2025



“Because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice.”
 Luke 18:5

On **World Mission Sunday** every year, the whole Church prays, united, particularly for missionaries and the fruitfulness of their apostolic labours. The retiring collection goes to support their work. We are also reminded that, in different capacities, we are all called to be “Missionaries of Hope Among the Nations”.



Clock's Going back 1 hour next Sunday at 2am.

According to an ancient story, when Adam saw that the days were becoming progressively shorter, he said:

“Woe is me! Perhaps it is because I sinned that the world is becoming dark around me, and returning to chaos and void. And this is the death that is imposed upon me by heaven.”

Yes: death came into the world through the sin of one man but be not afraid! Life has come through the gift of the man Jesus Christ. We are awaiting for the endless day and have seen the first rays of its dawn! It is coming!

In the meantime, do not forget to adjust your clock's next Saturday night.

““I plead with you—never, ever give up on hope, never doubt, never tire, and never become discouraged. Be not afraid.” .”—

St John Paul II

Mass Schedule

Sat 18th October St Luke	8:15pm The Neocatechumenate Federica Zingales & family
Sun 19th October Twenty-ninth Sunday of the Year C	9am Valentina Zakusilo special intention 11am Pro Populo
Mon 20th October	7am Rawlins Lubrun RIP Anne Elizabeth Mulcahy RIP
Tue 21st October	12:30pm Attie Irapah RIP
Wed 22nd October St John Paul II	12:30pm Beatriz Tarragona RIP
Thu 23rd October St John Capistrano	12:30pm Philip White wellbeing 6pm Susie & Norman Rolle RIP
Fri 24th October St Anthony Mary Claret	12:30pm Beatrice Ogunnupebi RIP

**CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH
Every Monday and Thursday at 8pm
in the crypt. Everyone is welcome!**

The **Solemnity of St Charles Borromeo** will be celebrated in our parish on Sunday 9th November. There will be a 'bring and share lunch' after the 11am Mass. You are all very welcome to join our celebration of the Titular Saint of our parish and to bring some food and drink to share. Make sure to save the date!

Music in St Charles Borromeo

Join our WhatsApp group to find videos and music for the hymns to be sung the following Sunday.



MISSIONARIES OF HOPE



Beloved,

The Church in the UK is seeing signs of hope.

There is a quiet revival taking place in a small but significant way, thanks to young people, migrants and small communities, at times called 'creative minorities' within the Church.

At the university chaplaincy we used to get a maximum of 5 students per meeting on a really good day. At our first meeting this year we had 15.

Other chaplains report similar increased interest in the faith.

I asked two young ladies who had developed such an interest in recent months for their reasons for this change. They told me that during the pandemic they had realised that they had nothing to rely on and that they really longed for a sense of faith and community in their lives.

The message for the World Mission Day in this Jubilee Year 2025 reminds us that *"the Gospel, experienced in the life of a community, can restore us to a whole, healthy, redeemed humanity."**

The Gospel alive in the life of our community means concern for the other, *"closeness, compassion and tenderness [and] cultivating a personal relationship with our brothers and sisters in their specific situation."**. It means the humility to admit that we all share the same human hopes and the courage to bear witness to a hope that transcends the passing things of this world.

The followers of Christ are called to be "missionaries of hope to all nations"; "a 'springtime people', brimming with hope to be shared with all, since in Christ 'we believe and know that death and hate are not the final word' pronounced on human existence ... Christ, risen and glorified, is the wellspring of our hope, and he will not deprive us of the help we need to carry out the mission which he has entrusted to us" *.

This Jubilee Year has spurred on many to pray, to go on pilgrimage and to practise spiritual and corporal works of mercy; It has revived the hope of the Church.

We need to continue to pray. *"By praying, we keep alive the spark of hope lit by God within us so that it can become a great fire which enlightens and warms everyone around us, also by those concrete actions and gestures that prayer itself inspires."**

We are all called to be, *"in the footsteps of Christ, messengers and builders of hope."*

* Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for World Mission Day 2025