Saint Luke's Pinner

A MEMBER OF THE PAC (Pinner Association of Churches)

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1ST NOVEMBER 2026
ALL SAINTS

Saturday (Vigil) 6pm *Parishioners*
Sunday 9am *Rich Waters RIP* **11am** *Anthony Noble SI*
Monday 10am Feast of All Souls *Holy Souls*
Tuesday 10am *James and Kathleen Martin RIP (A)*
Wednesday 10sm *Jo Martin SI* **Thursday 10am** *Annie Donagher RIP*
Friday 10am *Derek Johnson RIP (A)*

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11-11.30am & 5-5.30pm

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The Beatitudes – these eight blessings stand at the head of the Sermon on the Mount, pointing out eight ways in which we can welcome God into our lives. They are all ways of living out God's blessing, possible only if the hand of God is upon us. That is why the first and the last beatitudes knit them all together with 'theirs is the kingdom of heaven'. Jesus came to proclaim the kingship of his Father, and these are the ways of living that kingship. For each of the beatitudes, do you know someone in the parish or elsewhere in your life who exemplifies that particular attitude? Or is there a saint whom you consider typifies each of these beatitudes to you? What is your favourite beatitude? Jesus illustrates the beatitudes in various incidents in the gospels. He enters Jerusalem on a donkey as the gentle king; he shows love in his welcome to sinners; he brings peace to those tortured by disease or contempt; he manifests purity of heart in his single-minded pre-occupation with his Father's will; finally, he accepts persecution of what he knew to be right. All Christians may suddenly find themselves face to face with similar shattering challenges**.**
Which of these beatitudes do you most lack? Which would you most like to acquire?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

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As next Sunday 8th November is Remembrance Sunday, the 11'oclock Mass will take place at 11:15am.

We pray for the sick of our Parish – Italo Fiori, Sheila Butler, Aine Mulholland, Breda Tuohy, Angela Morath, Robert Broeder, Kathleen Burgum, Merces Castro, Alan Loveday, Alda Figueiredo, Martin McDonagh, Jennifer Wilson, Janet Mote, Kenny Cummings, Artemio Tony Verita, Norman Figueiredo, Clare Craigie-Williams, Siobhan O'Keeffe, Duncan Webster, Anthony Breslin, Anna Rethnasamy, Irena Kalisz, Max Noble, Chris & Maureen Glynn, Sister Sarah, Janet Udden, Patricia Bugler, Angela Achenbach, Edith & Michelle Cassel, Jamie Cassel, Joseph Frasier, Joan Warland, Rathushan Premkumar, Mary Vaughan and all who are sick and those who care for them.

If you would like to donate the Sanctuary Candle or the Lady Altar Candle in memory of a loved one or a special intention, please advise the Parish Office of the name and date you would like.

Thank you for celebrating World Mission Sunday and for your generous donations. Your prayers and support will help missionaries work alongside communities worldwide, regardless of background or belief. Please continue to pray for all who share the love and hope of Christ with our sisters and brothers in need throughout the world. To support mission year-round visit misiso.org.uk or call 020 7821 9755.

A Day with Mary is taking place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 7 November 2026 (9.45am to 5.00pm). The Most Reverend Richard Moth, Archbishop of Westminster will be the Celebrant & Preacher at 10.30am Cathedral Mass on that day. Further information is available at **https://www.adaywithmary.org/**

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Sacramental Preparation 2027

Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist

Would you like to begin preparing your child to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist?

We look forward to working together as your child takes this important step in their journey of faith with Jesus Christ.

Parent catechesis sessions: We'll be providing additional catechesis sessions, running in the Parish Centre, at the same time as the catechesis for your child on: **23rd Jan, 6th Feb, 6th Mar, 24th Apr, 8th May & 22nd May**. If you chose to register your child for sacramental preparation **you are also committing to attend all these important sessions too**.

Applications are for children:

- in Year 3 (or above) from Sept 2026
- who are part of a practicing Catholic family
- living or worshipping regularly in St Luke's Parish

Weekly sessions (term time) begin on **Saturday 16th Jan, 9.50 – 11.30am**

Please see the QR code/online address on the noticeboard to complete your application before **Sunday 22nd November 2026.**

Are you the parent of a child in Year 2 who attends a non-Catholic primary school?

In previous years, children attending non-Catholic schools were asked to complete a year of catechesis before joining the parish preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

We have updated our approach to preparation and instead we now invite families to use the *YouCat for Kids* resource with their child during Year 2. This engaging children's catechism provides an excellent introduction to the Catholic faith and helps lay the foundations for sacramental preparation. *YouCat for Kids* can be purchased here: YOUCAT for Kids | Catholic Truth Society (www.ctsbooks.org)

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Sacrament of Confirmation

Are you thinking about receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation next year?

Confirmation is an important step in your journey of faith, helping you grow closer to Jesus and strengthening you to follow him.

If you are in Year 9 or above and are considering receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, the first step is making Sunday Mass a regular part of your life and trying to spend some time each day in prayer. Further details of the formation pathway will be announced later this year. In the meantime, Fr Tony would love to get to know you! Please introduce yourself to him after Mass.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-inspired approach to faith formation that helps children develop a deep and personal relationship with Jesus, the Good Shepherd. Rooted in Scripture and the Liturgy, CGS nurtures the child's natural sense of wonder and encourages a lifelong love of God within a specially prepared environment known as the *atrium*. Respecting each child's stage of development, CGS offers a thoughtful and prayerful approach to growing in the Catholic faith.

Sessions are offered for children aged 3-9 yrs at **St Matthew's Church, Northwood,** on selected Sundays during term time.

Further information about Catechesis of the Good Shepherd can be found at: www.cgsuk.org and cgsusa.org To find out more about the sessions at St Matthew's, please contact Melinda Whitehead at cgsnorthwood@gmail.com

Volunteering Opportunity for Young Catholics (18–34) *Caritas Westminster, in partnership with the Irish Chaplaincy and Anna Chaplaincy, is offering* ***free training*** *in prayerful accompaniment, listening, and pastoral and spiritual care. The programme includes four sessions (two online and two in person), preparing volunteers to visit older people in care homes, offering companionship and support. No previous experience or Irish background is required. A wonderful opportunity to put your faith into action and make a difference!* ***Please register your interest by Friday 6th November.*** *The programme is planned to begin later in November, and those who register will be contacted directly with further details, including training dates.*
To register your interest, please click here - *forms.cloud.microsoft/e/mpyr8qYhSr*
For more information, *please email cianofarrell@rcdow.org.uk*

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Each day, in November, Holy Mass will be offered for those on our NOVEMBER DEAD LIST by the Salesian Fathers. Please take one of the November envelopes and a 'Dead List' and return it to Church or Presbytery with your offering. May all the dead rest in peace. +

Could you inspire the next generation and gain valuable experience of presenting to young people at the same time? **CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development**, is looking for volunteers to visit local schools to present assemblies and workshops. Full training and support provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information or contact Westminster's CAFOD representative Chris Driscoll at cdriscoll@cafod.org,uk or call 07776 493162.

Magnifica Humanitas - the Friends of Westminster Cathedral are inviting everyone on Wednesday 4 November at 6.30pm to Westminster Cathedral Hall, for a talk by Fr Hugh MacKenzie on *Magnifica Humanitas.* The talk will explore Pope Leo's reflections on the distinction between human and artificial intelligence, and what the rapid development of AI means for our understanding of humanity, morality and faith. As AI increasingly shapes our studies, working lives and relationships, this promises to be a fascinating and timely discussion. Drawing on Pope Leo's teaching, Fr Hugh will consider what makes human intelligence unique, why our God-given dignity cannot be reduced to data and algorithms, and the dangers of allowing technology to take the place of human judgement, authentic relationships or spiritual fulfilment. For further details and tickets visit https://westminstercathedral.org.uk/news-events/

Pinner Association of Churches Christmas Day Lunch 2026

For those who might be alone at Christmas, you can now access the PAC website, pinnerchurches.org.uk, Activities and Event, to book a place at the Christmas Day Lunch, which is being held from 12.15-15.30. The lunch is taking place in the hall of St John the Baptist Church in Church Lane and transport is available, if required. The event includes a professionally cooked lunch followed by Carols and the King's Speech. The demand always exceeds availability, so please book early to avoid disappointment. You may also call Catherine Ndungu, Guest Coordinator, on 020 8866 4048, to book a place. For anyone interested in volunteering this year, please email: volunteers@christmaslunch.org.uk. Help is always needed and very welcome.

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Saturday 28th November 7.30pm in St John Fisher Parish Centre, 80 Imperial Close HA2 7LW – Ghostly Lantern Show with Kevin Turley – Come in from the Dark – an evening of the extraordinary hidden within the ordinary. Stories of those who lived, loved, struggled, failed hoped and dared again. See flyer for more details of this free event; a retiring collection will be taken.

For those in the Parish who remember the Grail - we are sad to let you know of the death of Grail Community member Jackie Rolo. Jackie died peacefully at home at The Hermitage, early on Saturday 24 October. She was 99. May she rest in peace.

PAC Annual Church Service and AGM, Sunday 22 November at 4pm -the Pinner Association of Churches Annual Church Service will take place at St Luke's on Sunday 22 November at 4pm led by Fr Tony. it will be followed by light refreshments and the PAC's AGM in the Parish Centre. The venue for the service and AGM rotate between the churches in PAC (St John the Baptist's Anglican church, Pinner Baptist church, Cannon Lane and Pinner Methodist churches and St Luke's). As we are hosting this year, it will be lovely if a number of parishioners are able to attend.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tea and Coffee after Sunday Masses – Please join us for a cup and a chat!
Sunday 8th November – Children's Liturgy
Friday 13th November –Meeting of St Luke's Men's Group 7pm in Church
Saturday 14th November - 12 noon Mass for babies who have died during pregnancy or shortly after birth and for their parents.
Saturday 14th November - 2pm Blessing of Graves at Northwood Cemetery
Friday 20th November 7.30pm - Mass for the Dead of the last 12 months.
Friday 20th November 7.30pm - Catholic Mother's Group Meeting in Parish Centre
Sunday 22nd November after 11am Mass Blessing of the Memorial Garden
Saturday 28th November at 2pm Blessing of Graves at Pinner New Cemetery
Sunday 22nd November 4pm PAC Annual General Meeting at St. Lukes

St Luke's Social Outreach Future Events

Tuesday 1st December 2-4pm St. Lukes Social Outreach Christmas Celebration

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St Luke's Christmas Food Boxes

Last year your generosity delivered dozens of food parcels for the needy of our parish and supported our local schools in their work to ensure families who need food received it in time for Christmas. Many people continue to face food poverty and as we approach Christmas this is a good time to think about and help those that are struggling. You will see the Advent Giving Calendar here and on the notice board at the back of the Church, so what do you do?



Please provide your own box and put the items written underneath the doves into the box. **Please do not include any fresh food or perishables.**

Please bring your filled box to the parish centre on:
*** Saturday 5th December before or immediately after the 6pm Mass (5:30pm onwards),**
*** Sunday 6th December before or immediately after both Masses, 9am & 11am.**

Importantly, if you or anyone you know need extra food for Christmas, please e-mail **pinner@rcdow.org.uk** in confidence, who will arrange to give you a prepared box from the Advent Giving Calendar on Monday 7th or Tuesday 8th December at a pre-arranged time. Please do not call without having arranged in advance.

Thank you so much for your help.

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