Saint Luke's Pinner

A MEMBER OF THE PAC (Pinner Association of Churches)

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15TH NOVEMBER 2026
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 12 Noon *Mass for babies who have died during pregnancy or shortly after birth and for their parents.*

Saturday (Vigil) 6pm *Parishioners*
Sunday 9am *Anita Burton RIP (A)* **11am** *Mary Broeder RIP (A)*
Monday No Mass Church Closed
Tuesday 10am *Holy Souls*
Wednesday 10am *Elizabeth Cullen RIP*
Thursday 10am *Hannah Vaughan-Spruce SI*
Friday 10am *Raja Manmathan RIP*
7.30pm Mass *for the Deceased of the last 12 months*

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

GOSPEL REFLECTION

It is encouraging to think of all the talents which friends and neighbours have and which I don't have. It is all part of the gifts of the Spirit, which Paul sees as making up the whole Body of Christ. Everyone has a special contribution to make. As for me, it is extraordinary that God created me with all my twists, defects, fears and failures and it is precisely because of those boils, sores abscesses that God loves me, helps me and guides me to work out my salvation. And it is just possible that there may be friends who can think that God has given me talents which make a tiny contribution to the happiness and goodness of the world. In the longer version of this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus mentions a man with just one talent who hides it in the ground: the master calls him "wicket and lazy" and has him thrown out. Why is he so severely treated? This is surely someone who resolutely turns his (or her) back on the goodness she (or he) has received and refuses to work with the Lord's purposes or for anyone else's. Such a talent goes to waste and merely rusts and corrupts. If I know anyone like that, it is worth asking whether, with infinite and patient kindness, I can help that person to

release their talent and bring it to blossom. ***Just think for a moment: what is your best talent? Is it a gift, skill or humour which brings joy and happiness to those around you? Are you like the man who buried his talent in the ground, or do you use this skill or gift or wisdom to bring joy to others?***

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

Sick & Retired Priests' Fund – today's second collection is for the Sick & Retired Priests' fund. Please give generously and help ensure our sick and older priests are financially supported, having given us a lifetime of dedicated service. They have baptised us, welcomed us into the church, and offered comfort and prayer at time of sorrow. Now we have a chance to give back and ensure they have peace of mind during their senior years, when they may be facing failing health and declining mobility. Please use the envelopes at the back of the church if you wish to gift aid your donation. You can also make a one-off donation or set up a regular gift and become a Patron by completing Section 4 on the envelopes. Donations can be made on line at rcdow.org.uk/SRP. The QR code on the envelope and poster can also be used to donate.

New Gloria at the 9am Sunday Mass

Those who were at the 9am Mass last Sunday will know that we sang a new version of the Gloria. Thank you to those who joined in and sang the refrain so joyfully! If you want to listen to the new Gloria (and maybe sing along at home) here is a link to a recording via YouTube:
https://youtu.be/oeKKr2xIFMg?is=ZFXIA21czvdG8cGW
Please note there is also sheet music at the back of church, so please take a copy and join in!

Welcoming our RCIA candidates

We are blessed in having four adults in our parish who are preparing to be receive the Sacraments of Initiation and become full members of the Catholic Church. At the end of the 11am Mass on Sunday 22nd November, Fr Tony will pray a short prayer of welcome and commitment for them. Please keep our candidates in your prayers at this time.

This week the **Sanctuary Candle** has been donated in memory of Patrick Barragry and the Lady's Altar Candle have been donated in memory Margaret Barragry on the 2nd Anniversary of their death. 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.

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We pray for the sick of our Parish – Italo Fiori, Sheila Butler, Aine Mulholland, Breda Tuohy, Angela Morath, Robert Broeder, Kathleen Burgum, Merces Castro, Alda Figueiredo, Martin McDonagh, Jennifer Wilson, 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.

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. +

Pinner Association of Churches (PAC) 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 07748171951, to book a place. For anyone interested in volunteering this year, please email: volunteers@christmaslunch.org.uk. Help is always needed and very welcome.

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 and give a warm welcome to our guests from other churches.

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'I WAS HUNGRY AND YOU GAVE ME FOOD' – Our Lord's description of the Last Judgment, reported in St Matthew's Gospel (Ch. 25), tells us the awe-inspiring truth that, whatever we do to someone else, we do to Him.

So, FOR OUR NEXT FOOD COLLECTION FOR HARROW FOODBANK, LONDON'S COMMUNITY KITCHEN & FIRM FOUNDATION'S HOMELESS DROP-IN CENTRE, please:

- ***Bring some food donations with you to Mass here next weekend 21/22 November*** and put them in the crates at the back of Church,

- *OR take them to Pinner Baptist Church, Paines Lane, Pinner HA5 3BL on Saturday 28 November* at 10.30-12.30.

Items needed include tinned meat, fish and vegetables, coffee, tea bags, toothpaste and toothbrushes. The Foodbank does not need cereal, baby food, rice, pasta, biscuits or baked beans. A list is on **the PAC noticeboard in the Church porch** (take a photo), or **download the free *BankTheFood* app** via a link on Harrow Foodbank's website *harrow.foodbank.org.uk*.

Many thanks for all your support!



The 5th Annual St Luke's Advent Morning of Recollection on Saturday, 12 December

This year we welcome **Mgr Paul McPartlan**, Rector of Mater Ecclesiae College and Professor of Theology at St Mary's University, Twickenham, who will help us reflect on what Christ's coming means for us today: **"The Eucharist and the Priestly People of God".**

Talks begin at 10:30 am in the church, to conclude at 12:30 pm. Coffee, tea and cake will be served in the Parish Centre at the break.

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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)

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

Dates for your diary this week.

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

2028/2029 – Proposed Admissions Policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF): Please click on the following link to see the proposed changes to the 2028/29 Admissions Policy and SIF. FYI, the consultation period is from 2nd November until 15th December. 2028/2029 Admissions Consultation (02/11/26-15/12/26) | St John Fisher Catholic Primary School

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St Luke's Social Outreach Future Events



Tickets for the forthcoming St. Luke's Church Social Outreach Christmas event on the 1st December 2026 are limited and can only be purchased after the 6pm mass on the 21st November and the 11am mass on the 22nd November and from the Parish Office until Friday 27th November (subject to availability).

Sacramental Preparation 2027

All Saints, Kenton, warmly invites you to an Inclusive Mass on Saturday 28 November 2026 at 6:30 pm, celebrated by Fr. Hector Gutierrez, followed by light refreshments. Everyone is most welcome, particularly those with additional needs, together with their families, friends and carers.

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.

Young Adults ADVENT RETREAT DAY with the Assumption Sisters on Saturday 5th December 2026, 10am – 6pm. Venue: Milleret House, 20 Kensington Square, London, W8 5HH (closest tube station: High Street Kensington). Programme includes talks • prayer, adoration and confessions • faith sharing • Mass and social time. £5 registration fee/ subsidised student places available on request. Register now by emailing: rebecca@assumpta-eu.org

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tea and Coffee after Sunday Masses – Please join us for a cup and a chat!
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
Saturday 12th December at 10:30am - Morning of Recollection and Advent Talk in the Church

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.

Please pick up a copy of the Advent Giving Calendar from the back of the Church. There is also a poster in the Church Porch, showing all the days and suggestions for donations .