Newsletter for the Parishes of:
St Mary, Our Lady of Walsingham, London Colney (LC)
St Anthony of Padua (RA) &
The Good Shepherd, Shenley (SH)



Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th October — THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4.30-4.50pm @SH
Sunday 9.30-9.50am @RA & 11.10-11.25am @LC

PARISH NOTICES

Mass Intentions

Sat 24th Oct
SH @ 5.00pm
Mrs Rena Lewis
R.I.P.

Sun 25th Oct
RA @ 10.00am
Pro Populo

Sun 25th Oct
LC @ 11.30am
First Holy Communion Candidates

Mon 26th Oct
Julia Baylon
R.I.P.

Tues 27th Oct
RA @ 11.00am
Funeral Mass for Kathleen Childs
R.I.P.

Wed 28th Oct
SH @ 10.00am
Private Intention

Thurs 29th Oct
No Mass

Fri 30th Oct
No Mass

Josephine Dullaghan R.I.P.

The Funeral Mass for Josephine Dullaghan will be held at London Colney on Thursday 12th November at 10.00am. Please pray for the repose of Josephine's soul and all who mourn her.

Mass Times for All Souls

Masses to commemorate All Souls Day on Monday 2nd November will be as follows:

@ Shenley 9.30am
@ London Colney 11.00am
@ Radlett 7.00pm

Blessing of Graves

Advance notice that Fr Kevin will be blessing graves on Sunday 8th November as follows:

- 12.30pm at London Road Cemetery
- 1.30pm at St Peter's Cemetery LC
- 1.45pm at Shenley Cemetery
- 2.15pm at Radlett Cemetery

Please see the poster at the back of the church for dates when other Parishes are blessing graves.

Holy Souls Envelopes

Holy Souls Envelopes are available at the back of each church for you to add the names of your deceased loved ones to the Parish November Dead List, along with your donation. You can put the envelope in the collection, or drop the envelope through the presbytery door, or give the envelope directly to Fr Kevin.

Graveside candles are available to buy from the back of each church £2.50 each.

First Holy Communion News

This weekend we welcome our 2027 First Holy Communion Candidates as we celebrate our First Holy Communion Enrolment Mass at London Colney at 11.30am on Sunday 25th October. Please pray for the children and their families as they embark on their journey towards First Reconciliation and receiving Holy Communion for the first time in 2027.

Missio 2nd Collection
This Weekend at Shenley Only

As we missed the second collection for Missio last weekend, there will be a second collection for Missio on Saturday evening at **Shenley**. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Christmas Cards

There is a small selection of Christmas cards now available to buy from the back of each church. Get yours quickly to avoid disappointment!

Christmas Hamper Raffle
@ London Colney Appeal

We are now collecting items for our Christmas Hamper raffle at London Colney. If you would like to donate any biscuits, chocolates, wine, small gifts, anything that you think would be a nice addition to the hamper, please leave it in the box at the back of St Mary's. Raffle tickets will be going on sale soon. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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DEDICATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP
@RA Deceased Members of The Barter Family R.I.P. **@SH** Tina Healion Intention **@LC** Niall Bennett Intention

LITURGY

First Reading

Exodus
22:21-27

'If you mistreat any widow or fatherless child, my wrath will burn against you.'

2nd Reading

1 Thessalonians
1:5c-10

'You turned away from idols to serve God and to wait for his Son.'

Responsorial Psalm

18(17):2-3a. 3b-4. 47, 51ab. ±2

I love you, LORD, my strength.

Gospel Acclamation

John
14:23

If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.

Gospel

Matthew
22:34-40

'You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.'

Gospel Reflection

Jesus told His disciples that He came "not to abolish" the Old Testament Law "but to fulfill" it (Matthew 5:17). And in today's Gospel, He reveals that love—of God and of neighbour—is the fulfilment of the whole of the law (see Romans 13:8–10).

Devout Israelites were expected to keep all 613 commands found in the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Bible. Jesus says today that all these, and all the teachings of the prophets, can be boiled down to just two verses of this Law (see Deuteronomy 6:5; Leviticus 19:18).

In this distillation, He seems to summarize the two stone tablets on which God was said to have engraved the Ten Commandments (see Exodus 32:15–16): The first tablet set out three laws concerning the love of God, such as the command not to take His name in vain; the second contained seven commands regarding love of neighbour, such as those against stealing and adultery.

Love is the hinge that binds the two tablets of the Law. We can't love God, whom we can't see, if we don't love our neighbour, whom we can (see 1 John 4:20–21). But this love we are called to is far more than simple affection or warm sentiment. We must give ourselves totally to God—loving with our whole beings, with all our heart, soul, and mind. Our love for our neighbour must express itself in concrete actions, such as those set out in today's First Reading.

"We love because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19). As we sing in today's Psalm, He has been our deliverer, our strength when we could not possibly defend ourselves against the enemies of sin and death.

Grateful for our salvation, we show others the love that God has shown us. In this we become imitators of Jesus, as Paul relates in today's Epistle—laying down our lives in ways large and small, seen and unseen, our daily living offered as a continual "sacrifice of praise" (see John 15:12–13; Hebrews 13:15).

Scott Hahn

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Volunteer Appeal

We are all called to serve the church in some way and volunteering is one way of serving and spreading the word of God. Currently, we are in need of some volunteers to help with the running of all 3 parishes.

The most acute need is for Baptism Catechists. These prepare families and Godparents for the Baptism of their children.

The next is Ministers of Communion, these distribute Communion at Mass, but equally important is taking Communion to the sick at their home or nursing home. We are also looking for Children's Liturgy leaders. Both roles require a DBS check.

There is also a need for readers, who proclaim the readings at Mass, read the bidding prayers and read the notices and also altar servers to serve at weekend Masses.

Training is given for all of the roles. Please consider carefully and if you feel interested in any of these, or any other roles, come and speak to Deacon Tony.

Fatima & First Saturdays Devotion Symposium

Date: Sunday, 22 November 2026

- Part 1 (12:30–14:00): St Mary's Catholic Church, Chelsea, 63 Cadogan Street, London SW3 2QP
- Part 2 (14:00–19:00): St Thomas More Language College, Cadogan Street, Chelsea, London SW3 2QS

The day will include Holy Mass, a Marian Procession, the Holy Rosary, Divine Mercy, Fatima prayers, talks on the First Saturday Devotion of Reparation and the spirituality of the Little Shepherds, followed by Q&A.

Attendance is free, but registration is required. Please bring your own packed lunch. Please scan the QR code to register.

Loose plate collection w/e 17th/18th October 2026 (includes 2nd collection for Missio @ RA & LC)

LC: £589.44 SH: £183.12 RA: £316.92 + Contactless LC: £68.81 SH: £0 RA: £54.07

Thank you for your generosity. You can donate via contactless or visit our website https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/radlett/donate



PARISH REMINDERS



MASS OFFERINGS

Please use either your own envelope, the mass intentions envelope or telephone the parish office stating if it is “RIP” or “Intentions of”. Place in collection basket or send to the Radlett postal address. Please remember to include your contact details.

DEDICATION OF BLESSED SANCTUARY LAMP

Please contact the parish office if you would like to dedicate a Sanctuary lamp for your intention, at either Radlett, Shenley or London Colney. Suggested donation is £7 for the week.

VOLUNTEERS

We continue to require volunteers to assist with the counting and banking cash. We are still looking to fill the following volunteer positions:

@ Radlett: Health & Safety Rep.

@ Shenley: Health & Safety Rep.

@ London Colney: Health & Safety Rep.

Please contact the parish office if you are able to help in any way. Thank you.

EMAIL

If you know someone who doesn't receive this newsletter, please encourage them to contact the parish office with their email details in order that we can add them to the distribution list

FOOD BANK

The Churches Together Food Bank is grateful for all donations. We would welcome the following items (soups, toilet rolls, tinned fruit & vegetables, longlife milk, sugar). Thank you.

DONATIONS

Your offerings allow us to run our parishes, pay the heating, lighting, maintenance costs etc.
In addition to the Sunday collection, the various additional donation methods are outlined below. ***It would really help the parish if you would make your regular offering via standing order.***

Standing Orders - you remain in complete control and can cancel / decrease / increase your offering at any time. Please contact the parish office for a standing order form

Gift Aid - By adding Gift Aid (if you are a UK tax payer) to your regular offering, for every £1.00 you donate, the Government gives us 25p at no extra cost to you. Please contact the parish office for a gift aid form

Contactless/QR Codes All you need is your debit / credit card or phone and you can tap and donate whatever amount you wish to. Stewards will be available to assist and you can also use this facility to make candle donations and second collections.

Thank you to everyone who has donated and continues to donate to the parish funds. Your support and generosity is never taken for granted and your offerings are truly appreciated

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility, and we all have a part to play in keeping people safe. The Diocese of Westminster is committed to Safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church, through the promotion of a sustained and sustainable culture of constant vigilance. The Church recognises the personal dignity and rights of children, young people and adults who may be at risk towards whom it has a special responsibility. The Church and all individual members undertake all appropriate steps to:

- maintain a safe environment for all.
- to practise fully and positively Christ’s Ministry towards children, young people and adults.
- to respond compassionately to their needs to help keep them safe from harm.

Please support your Parish by scanning the appropriate Parish QR Code below and donating today, our QR Code connects to our Diocese parish website which can facilitate a general donation, or more specific donations i.e. Sanctuary Lamps, Mass offerings, etc. Thank you for your generosity.

RADLETT

SHENLEY

LONDON COLNEY