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Mass this Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) 25th October 2026

Today's Readings

Exodus 22:21-27 The people are reminded to be merciful to all those who are sojourners, for they were sojourners in the land of Egypt.

1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10 Having received the word in the joy of the Holy Spirit, the Thessalonians became an example to all the believers.

Matthew 22:34-40 Each of us is called to respond totally to God's love and to love our neighbour as ourselves.

Mass This Week			**Intention**
Saturday 24th	6:30pm	**BST**	Brigid Nolan (anniversary)
Sunday 25th	9:00am	**GMT**	Frank Nangle (RIP)
	10:30am		For Our Parishioners
Tuesday 27th	6:00pm	Weekday	Families During Half Term
Wednesday 28th	9:15am	SS Simon and Jude	Missionaries
Thursday 29th	9:15am	Blessed Martyrs of Douai	Our Seminarians
Friday 30th	9:15am	Weekday	Canon William Gordon (RIP)

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Brigid Nolan (RIP)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation may usually be celebrated during exposition (5: 30pm Saturday) or by appointment

Mass Offering
This QR code will take you to our parish online donation page.

All Souls Day On Sunday 1st November, there will be a blessing of graves at approximately 11:45am, following a short break after the 10:30am Mass. The blessing will begin at the Chapel in Melbourn Road West Cemetery (on the same side of the road as our church).

Please note that there will be a mass for ***All Souls Day at 9:15am on Monday 2nd November.***

November: Month of Holy Souls Envelopes, and the sheets for you to add the names of those you wish to be remembered, are available in the Sacristy. Please return these as soon as possible.

RCIA The next day group will be on Friday 30th October at 10am. The next evening group will be at 7pm Thursday 5th November. (There may not be fireworks!)

Parish Retreat Day One of the priorities we identified in our Parish Synodal process was developing our spiritual life. We have therefore arranged a retreat day **on Saturday November 7th**. Please sign up (in the sacristy) this weekend as we need to confirm things with our hosts in Buckden Towers.

Diocese of Westminster Catholic Teaching Summer Internship Programme 2026-27

Applications are now open for the final year of the Catholic Teaching Internship Programme. This paid three-week placement offers second-year university students the opportunity to experience life in a Catholic school, receive mentoring from experienced educators, and explore teaching as a vocation. Please see the poster for further details and how to apply.

Churches Together in Royston and District - Light Party - Saturday 31st October 5:30pm to 7pm Coombes Community Centre, offering children a fun Christian alternative to Halloween with games, crafts, food and music. Volunteers are needed. Please volunteer by completing the sign up sheet in the Sacristy **this weekend** or you can contact the team at lightparty@ct-royston.org.uk. Anyone working directly with children must have the correct safeguarding documents. Donations of individually wrapped sweets for the children's goody bags would also be very welcome.

Volunteers We are actively seeking new volunteers in every area of Church life. Please see Fr Philip if there is something you can help with.

Visit of The Relics of St Gerard Majella On Friday 6th November, the relics of St Gerard Majella will be at St Laurence's, Cambridge for a 7pm Mass. St Gerard is the patron of mothers, couples trying to conceive, those looking for work, and making a good confession. See poster for details - all welcome, and bring your petitions to this little saint!

World Mission Sunday Thank you for your donations to the World Missions Sunday appeal. 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, please visit www.missio.org.uk You can still make a donation using the *Missio* envelope. Please remember to Gift Aid your donation if possible. Thank you

Mass in Portuguese There will be a Mass in Portuguse at 2pm on Saturday, 31st October 2026, at Our Lady of Lourdes, 135 High Street, Sawston, CB22 3HJ. The Mass will be followed by tea and coffee in the OLOL Hall. Everyone is welcome!

Holy Fathers Prayer Intentions for October *For Mental Health Ministry* Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

CAFOD As we journey through October, we, CAFOD, want to thank everyone who supported the Harvest Family Fast Day Appeal. Your prayers, generosity and commitment are helping communities around the world overcome poverty and build brighter futures. Thank you.

CAFOD – School Volunteers 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

A Day with Mary is taking place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 7th November from 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/

"The greatest method of praying is to pray the Rosary. It is a method filled with holy simplicity yet profound power. It focuses our mind on the mysteries of salvation and places our heart in the hands of Mary, who shapes it gently in the likeness of her Son. Every Hail Mary is a gentle knock at the door of heaven, where the Blessed Mother herself answers, ready to shower us with graces. Those who persevere in this devotion will find themselves guided, protected, and consoled at every step of their earthly journey."

St Francis de Sales

