



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY, ST JOHN'S WOOD



+ 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16 October 2022

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Last Chance Saloon

You will have noticed by now that we keep the noticeboards in the porch neat and up-to-date. When I was a deacon my parish priest said that it was the first thing people see when they walk into a church and so gives an idea of how the parish is run and I've done that ever since. But you will also notice that the poster with details of the visit to these lands of St Bernadette's relics is still on display promoting stops in places like Salford and Plymouth, cities that feel as difficult to reach in these times of austerity and travel disruption as the South Pole. But it is still there because the final stop is just down the road in our very own Deanery: from Sunday 30 October to Tuesday 1 November, in the Ukrainian Cathedral off Oxford Street in Duke Street, W1K 5BQ. On a separate poster you will see that on Sunday 30 October at 3:00pm there is a liturgy in Ukrainian marking the relics' arrival and a further one called *Moleben*—a form of intercessory prayer focussed at this time on peace—at 10:00pm. Most importantly, at 6:00pm there will be Divine Liturgy—Mass—at 6:00pm in Ukrainian and English. Now for those of you who are still unsure and somehow missed Seminarian Bohdan when he was living here or haven't seen Fr Ben and I concelebrating at the Cathedral, this service will fulfil the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday as the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Rite and the Latin Rite are fully in communion with one another. As advertised, the Cathedral will remain open all day and all night on Sunday and Monday for people to venerate the relics with silent private prayer interspersed at various times with the rosary. Monday will see a further series of liturgies with a special invitation to our schools to visit while Confessions will be heard in English by priests from the Deanery between 4:30pm and 9:00pm on Sunday and on Monday from 11:00am to 2:00pm and 4:30pm to 7:30pm. So, three points. One, if you can help with stewarding throughout the visit for even just an hour, at any time, please contact Myrosia via myrosia.mat@gmail.com. Two, and I never thought I would said this, go to Mass there at 6:00pm on Sunday 30 October—it will be a real sign of unity with our Ukrainian brethren. And three, pop down at some point and sit for a moment with one who found utter peace in this world and ask her prayers for the same in Ukraine today. *Fr Kevin*

Mass Times

Sunday

6:00pm (Saturday)
9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00 noon,
6:00pm

Weekdays

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday:
10:00am
Thursday: 7:00pm
Friday & Saturday: 10:00am

Rosary

After weekday Mass

Exposition & Confessions

Saturday 10:30am—11:00am

Confessions

Saturday 5:15pm—5:45pm

Music for Sunday

Guerrero - *Missa Sancta et Immaculata*
de Monte - *Levavi oculos meos in montes*
260 Praise to the Holiest
110 Praise to the Lord
266 The Lord's my Shepherd

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Exodus 17:8-13
Psalm 120 R. cf v 2
2 Timothy 3:14-4:2
Luke 18:1-8

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October is the month of Our Lady of the Rosary.

The rosary is integral to the spiritual life of many Catholics in our countries and, if we deepen our understanding of the foundations of our rosary prayers, we can, in turn, deepen our devotion to Mary, the Mother of God. For information, links to resources and more, please visit:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/month-of-the-rosary/> and <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/the-rosary/>.

November is the month of the Holy Souls so from

this weekend you can pick up an envelope and sheet as you leave the church on which to write the names of your deceased loved ones. Please return the sheet in the envelope, with any offering you may wish to include, to the presbytery. The sheets will be placed in our Book of Remembrance which will be in the sanctuary during November.

Four Masses each week will be said for those whose names are listed there.

For those who are applying to Catholic schools, please follow this link for Admissions -

<https://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/guidance-for-schools/admissions> and read the *Guidance for Clergy* document. This explains what you need to provide in order for a priest to complete a Certificate of Catholic Practice. If you can meet these criteria then please contact Claudia in the parish office to arrange an appointment to discuss secondary and sixth form applications.

Monday English Classes. These free, informal conversation classes for adults have been held in the Church Hall for many years and we hope to start classes again soon. In order to offer the classes, we need volunteer tutors, in particular, someone to work with the elementary level group. If you are interested, please contact Lois on 07761 590240 or email lois_darley@hotmail.com.

Parents & Toddlers Group will be closed over half-term (week commencing 24 October) and resume on Tuesday 1 November.

Modern Media. Do follow our parish website www.olsjw.org.uk and our microsite <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/stjohnswood/> which is slowly being updated (could you help with this, please?) and Our Lady's RC Church, St John's Wood *Facebook* page which are updated regularly.

Please join us for tea and coffee today after 9:00am Mass in the parish hall. We will have a break for two weeks over half term and will resume on 6 November.

St Bernadette Relics' Tour will be at Our Lady of Willesden, 1 Nicoll Rd, NW10 9AX from 4:00pm on Friday 28 October to 9:15am on Sunday 30 October 2022. For other dates including Diocese of Westminster venues <https://stbernadette.org.uk/>.

A Day with Mary On Saturday 29 October 2022 at 10:00am—5:30pm at St Aloysius Church, Phoenix Rd, NW1. A Day of instruction, devotion and intercession, based on the message given at Fatima in 1917. See poster in the porch.

Free Creative Writing Sessions start on Thursday 3 November 2022 from 10:30am—12 noon in the lower hall. No previous writing experience necessary. All adults welcome to have-a-go/share ideas in a friendly supportive environment.

The Bi-Annual Concelebrated Requiem Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery, Kensal Green, NW10 5NU will take place on Monday 7 November 2022 at 11:30am.

Altar Server Training in the church on Saturday 12 November 2022 at 11:30am-12:30pm. Please let the parish office know if you are intending to attend, stjohnswood@rcdow.org.uk. Serving at the altar of God is a gift of such wonder.

Offerings Standing orders are the easiest way to give regularly and can be set up via www.olsjw.org.uk. To *Gift Aid* using the *Collections* register your usual card on the machine or scan the QR code and register your card at home.

Day	Location	Time	Group
Sunday	Upper Hall	After 9:00am	Tea and Coffee
Tuesday, Wednesday,	Upper Hall	9:30am-11:30am	Parents & Toddlers
Tuesday	Upper Hall	1:00pm-4:30pm	Over 50's