

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY, ST JOHN'S WOOD

+ 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 6 November 2022

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"Following upon some publicity at our parish feast in September, representatives from Equipes Notre-Dame (Teams of Our Lady) will be present after the 9:00am Mass next Sunday, 13 November to meet married couples, and those planning soon to marry, and offer information about the Teams and what it's like belonging to a Team. Begun in Paris more than 80 years ago, Equipes Notre-Dame helps tens of thousands of couples in more than 90 countries to appreciate and respond to their married life as a call to holiness and an encounter with the Lord.

The Teams are small groups of around 4 couples who, with a Spiritual Counsellor, meet monthly for a shared meal, shared prayer, shared spiritual study, and sharing about the daily journey and events of their lives. Between meetings, the couples pursue spiritual disciplines like daily prayer and scripture reading, and a monthly examination and discussion of their relationship known as a "Sit-Down". Altogether, these practices throw focus and invite deepening engagement toward the Lord's presence and specific mission with each couple and member of the Team.

Janet and Paul DeBoo, the Regional Couple for the Central Region of Teams GB, are looking forward to meeting anyone wanting to know more about the Teams, and will do their best to answer all your questions."

The above words describe a wonderful initiative which seeks to pursue holiness in the home, to live in accordance with the Holy Spirit. The desire to be holy is an inescapable fruit of being Christian: think of our Lord's words, "be perfect as you heavenly Father is perfect", (Mt 5:48); or Saint John, "try to be as pure as Christ", (1 Jn 3:3); or Saint Peter, "be holy yourselves in all your conduct", (1 Pt 1:15). The holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the fount of all holiness. On Remembrance Sunday, 13/11/'22, a 'Mass for the Fallen', followed by a Solemn Act of Remembrance, will be offered at 10:30am. The holy sacrifice of the Mass can heal all human souls, those living, those departed. Fr Ben

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

Palestrina - Missa Repleatur os meum laude tua

Marenzio - Veni sponsa Christi

Jacquet - Repleatur os meum laude tua

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2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14 Psalm 16:1, 5-6, 15 R. v 15 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 Luke 20:27, 34-38

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Sick & Retired Priests' Fund Collection. This weekend is the annual collection for sick and retired priests in the Diocese of Westminster. Envelopes are available at the back of the Church or scan the QR code on the poster in the porch to give online. *Thank you.*

Tea and Coffee. Please join us today in the parish hall after 9:00am Mass.

Altar Server Training in the church **next** Saturday 12 November 2022 at 11:30am-12:30pm.

SVP Foodbank Collection—next weekend You may leave your donations of non-perishable items on the table in the porch after all Masses.

'The God Who Speaks'—Witness to Hope: Prayers and Readings for the Sundays of Advent. Four talks given by Fr John Deenan via Zoom on Thursday from 7:30pm—8:30pm on 17, 24 Nov, 1 & 8 Dec 2022. Register at Eventbrite. Suggested donation £10.00. See poster in the porch.

Modern Media. Do follow our parish website www.olsjw.org.uk and our microsite https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/stjohnswood/ which is almost fully updated and Our Lady's RC Church, St John's Wood Facebook page which is updated daily.

Operation Elf is the campaign by *PACT*, the Prison Advice and Care Trust, to enable prisoners to give a Christmas gift to their child. This Christmas *PACT* are asking supporters to buy gift cards with a £15 value only please. Please buy multiples of £15 cards if you wish to donate more, i.e. for £30 please buy two separate £15 gift cards and so on. The *One4All* gift card can be used in lots of shops or Boots, M&S, or Love2Shop card - please no e-cards or e-vouchers. Please drop the cards into the collection or at the rectory by Sunday 20 November 2022, see poster in the porch or https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/operation-elf.

Offerings. Standing orders are the easiest way to give regularly and can be set up via www.olsjw.org.uk. Please Gift Aid using the Collections by registering your usual card on the machine or scan the QR code and register your it at home which takes about 30 seconds.

November is the Month of the Holy Souls.

Envelopes and sheets are available at the back of the church. Please write the names of your deceased loved ones and return the sheet in the envelope, with any offering you may wish to include, to the presbytery. The sheets will be in the sanctuary during November and four Masses each week said for those whose names are listed there.

Tombola, tea & scones/homemade cakes, Irish coffee and children's activities at Our Lady On Saturday 3 December 2022 from 2:00pm in the parish hall. We would be grateful for donations of homemade cakes, whisky and toiletries - please drop these off at the presbytery by Friday 2 December. Entry: £1.00 per person, kids go free. All proceeds to various charities and the church.

Preparation for Sacraments of First Holy Communion & Confirmation in 2022. Application forms for both Sacraments are available to collect from one of the clergy after Mass. Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation must collect the forms themselves. Please post completed forms through the rectory door by 12 noon Tuesday 6 December 2022.

If you are applying to Catholic nursery and primary schools, follow this link to Admissions (https://catholiceducation.org.uk/guidance-for-schools/admissions) and read the Guidance for Clergy document. If you can meet these criteria then please contact Claudia in the Parish Office to arrange an appointment to discuss applications.

Free Creative Writing Sessions in the lower hall on Thursdays from 10:30am—12:00 noon. No previous writing experience is necessary. All adults are welcome to have-a-go/share ideas in a friendly supportive environment.

Day	Location	Time	Group
Sunday	Upper Hall	After 9:00am Mass	Tea and Coffee
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	Upper Hall	9:30am- 11:30am	Parents & Toddlers
Tuesday	Upper Hall	1:00pm-	Over 50's
Thursday	Lower Hall	10:30am- 12 noon	Creative Writing