



SHRINE & PARISH OF OUR LADY OF WILLESDEN,

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**PARISH
NEWSLETTER**
October 8th
2023
TWENTY SEVENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

*Prayer for Prisoners
& Families*

Lamp intentions this week:

Sacred Heart Lamp- Allen Hall Seminary
Blessed Sacrament Lamp 1 - Theresa Walls RIP
Blessed Sacrament Lamp 2 – Our Priests
Shrine Lamp – Nigel Carter RIP

Mass intentions from Saturday 7th October 2023

Sat 6pm: Teresa & Patrick McKeown- Anniversary

Sunday 9am: Ann McFarlane - Anniversary

11am: Thomas Harkin- Anniversary

5.30pm: Pro Populo

Mon: 10am: Holy Souls OLM

7pm: Maureen Doyle RIP – Months Mind.

Tues 10am: Catherine McAlister – Lately Dead

7pm: Holy Souls OLM

Wed: 10am: Mary Nolan- Anniversary

7pm: November Dead List 2022

Thurs: 10am: Roy Jacob Levine - Anniversary

7pm: Tom Doyle - Anniversary

Fri 10am: Funeral Mass – Theo Ademuyi RIP

7pm: Luke Nolan - Anniversary

Saturday 10am: Jacki Griffiths – Sick Int.

6pm: Pro Populo

Sunday 9am: Michael Moynihan -Anniversary

11am: The Nigerian Association

5.30pm: Vincent Masterson - RIP

Masses & Sanctuary Lamp intentions can be booked online:

willesden@rcdow.org.uk or by phone 02089654935 MASS

INTENTIONS ARE AVAILABLE FROM 17th OCT and
SANCTUARY LAMPS *from next weekend!*

USUAL MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm (Anticipated said Mass for Sunday)

SUNDAY 9am (simple said: Livestreamed)

11am (Solemn Mass with Choir)

5.30pm – (Traditional Latin)

Monday to Saturday 10am, Monday - Friday: 7pm.

(No evening Mass on Bank Holidays)

Confessions: Tue 6.15-6.45pm & Sat.10.30-11.30am & 5-5.45pm.



OCTOBER; MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY.

S. Josemaria Escriva, visited the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden a number of times, and prayed the Holy Rosary here as we do today. In 1931 St. Josemaria wrote *Holy Rosary*, a booklet which contains brief meditations on the mysteries of the Rosary based on his contemplation of the Gospel scenes of the lives of Jesus and Mary. *Holy Rosary* captures St. Josemaria's profound desire to transmit to all generations the fact that "the Church encourages us to contemplate its mysteries. She wants to engrave upon our heart and our imagination, together with Mary's joy and sorrow and glory, the spellbinding example of Our Lord's life, in his thirty years of obscurity, his three years of preaching, his ignominious Passion and his glorious Resurrection" (*Friends of God*, no. 299).



"We should never separate ourselves from Our Lady. How should we honour her? By keeping close to her, talking to her, showing her that we love her, pondering in our hearts the scenes of her life on earth and telling her about our struggles, successes and failures. When we do this we discover the meaning of the Marian prayers, which the Church has always used, as if we were saying them for the very first time. What are the Hail Mary and the Angelus if not loving praises of her divine Motherhood? And when we say the Holy Rosary, which is a wonderful devotion which I will never tire of recommending to Christians everywhere, our minds and hearts go over the mysteries of Mary's admirable life which are, at the same time, the fundamental mysteries of our faith" (*Friends of God*).

Refreshments after the 9am Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month

After the 11am Mass on 2nd & 4th Sundays

Come, and join us!

THIS WEEK: IN CHURCH:

Weekday Rosary: in the Shrine at 10.30am.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesdays & Saturdays between the masses.

Shrine Prayers: Tuesdays after the 7pm Mass

Coffee and Bible Study: Thursday after 10am Mass

Legion of Mary: Sundays, 12.30pm – 2pm in the Presbytery

Church Cleaning: Wed 8.30am-10am.

Ghanaian Catholic Association: First Sunday of the Month after the 11am Mass, in the Marian Hall.

Nigerian Catholic Association: Third Sunday of the Month after the 11am Mass, in the Marian Hall.

1,000 Hail Mary's: First Saturdays, after 10am Mass, in the Shrine Chapel

ONLINE:

Children's Liturgy: <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/>

*Livestream Mass: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/willesden> or the **Willesden Shrine** Facebook Page. 9am Sunday.*

***Sign up to e-alerts from the Parish** to receive news, updates and the weekly Newsletter directly to your email!*

Go to the parish website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/willesden>

Parish Offerings: Weekend of 30th Sept / 1st October: £1,479.46; Shrine Restoration £39.31; Organ Fund £150.00

Many thanks to all who support the ministry and mission of our Parish.

THE REPOSITORY In addition to Weekends, is also OPEN Mon – Thursday after the 10am Mass.

Parish Obituaries: The body of Theo Ademuyiwa RIP will be received into the Shrine Church on Fri 13th October at 10am for his Funeral Mass, Committal; 12pm at Carpenter's Park Cemetery. *We pray for him, and all who mourn.*

Secondary Entrance 2024 and the Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP). Please see Fr Stephen after Masses this weekend in order to reserve an appointment. Appointments for the CCP interviews **are not** made online or by phonecall.

FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES. After MONTHS of advertising the Programme the first Preparation class takes place this morning (Sunday) at 9.55am in the Marian Hall, and will take place on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month in school term time. If you have not yet booked an appointment to meet with Fr Stephen, please do so this weekend after Mass.

CONFIRMATION FAMILIES Please see Fr Stephen after Mass to book an appointment to meet with the clergy before the Preparation starts.

Nursery Class - St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School There are a few places available in our Nursery for children who were born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 (3 years old). Please call to the school for an application form. A Certificate of Catholic Practice is not required for Nursery, but is for Reception class or Transfer into S. Joseph's..

Last Friday was CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. We were asked to make the sacrifice of some food/drink/activity, and to make a donation in lieu to CAFOD at the Second Collection held at the end of all masses this weekend.

The Good Counsel Black Tie Ball will take place at 6pm Saturday 18th November 2023 in Kensington, London. Live Band. Silent Auction. London's Catholic Pro-Life Ball raising money to help save lives and change lives. Tickets £125 each. For bookings and enquiries email GCNBall@gmail.com or telephone 07795205117

OCTOBER PROCESSION:

SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER 7PM.

Preacher, Canon Stuart Wilson. The Rosary Procession will be led by Seminarians from Allen Hall as we pray for the gift of Vocations. *Please remember, if you live on the Procession Route: Bramshill Rd, Minet Avenue, Fairlight Avenue, Acton Lane, Connaught Rd, Greenhill Park, Nicoll Road, to put out a Statue, Holy Picture, Crucifix and Candle, and we will bless your home as we process past.*

Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance
lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together
to eternal life

and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever.
Amen.

