



SHRINE & PARISH OF OUR LADY OF WILLESDEN,

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**PARISH
NEWSLETTER**
October 1st
2023
TWENTY SIXTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
Thanksgiving for
Harvest

Lamp intentions this week:

Sacred Heart Lamp- Brid Hassett- For Good Health

Blessed Sacrament Lamp 1 - Theresa Walls RIP

Blessed Sacrament Lamp 2 – For Gods guidance and Leading for Anu Joseph

Shrine Lamp – For Gods guidance and Leading for Anu Joseph

Mass intentions from Saturday 30th September 2023

Sat 6pm: Vincent Masterson - RIP

Sunday 9am: Dora Breen -RIP

11am: Pro Populo - Destiny 2th Birthday Int.

5.30pm: Fred Dowling – Anniversary

Mon: 10am: November Dead List 2022

7pm: Carmel Reynolds -Int.

Tues 10am: James Joseph Lavin – Anniversary

7pm: William Goggin – Lately Dead

Wed: 10am: Holy Souls OLM

7pm: Charlotte Blankley – Anniversary

Thurs: 10am: Paudie Ryan – Int.

7pm: NO MASS

Fri 10am: Joseph Efunshile – RIP

7pm: Joaqina Correia Victor- RIP

Saturday 10am: Andrew DeSouza – Anniversary

6pm: Teresa & Patrick McKeown- Anniversary

Sunday 9am: Ann McFarlane - Anniversary

11am: Thomas Harkin- Anniversary

5.30pm: Pro Populo

Masses & Sanctuary Lamp intentions can be booked online:

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

INTENTIONS ARE AVAILABLE FROM 9th 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.

Pope Benedict XVI taught: “When reciting the Rosary, the important and meaningful moments of salvation history are relived. The various steps of Christ's mission are traced. With Mary the heart is oriented toward the mystery of Jesus. Christ is put at the centre of our life, of our time, of our city, through the contemplation and meditation of his holy mysteries of joy, light, sorrow and glory. May Mary help us to welcome within ourselves the grace emanating from these mysteries, so that through us we can "water" society, beginning with our daily relationships, and purifying them from so many negative forces, thus opening them to the newness of God. The Rosary, when it is prayed in an authentic way, not mechanical and superficial but profoundly, it brings, in fact, peace and reconciliation. It contains within itself the healing power of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, invoked with faith and love at the centre of each "Hail Mary".

S. Josemaria Escriva, who prayed the Rosary in this Shrine, said of this way of prayer:

“Take the Holy Rosary, one of the most deeply rooted of Christian devotions. 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. To follow Christ — that is the secret.” “Develop a lively devotion for Our Mother. She knows how to respond in a most sensitive way to the presents we give her. What is more, if you say the Holy Rosary every day, with a spirit of faith and love, Our Lady will make sure she leads you very far along her Son's path.”

“You always leave the Rosary for later, and you end up not saying it at all because you are sleepy. —If there is no other time, say it in the street without letting anybody notice it. It will, moreover, help you to have presence of God.”

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 23rd /24th September: £1,259.27; Shrine Restoration £45.93; Organ Fund £229.87

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

Parish Obituaries:

Funeral Service of Alice Boland RIP will take place on Fri 6th October 11.30am at the West London Crem.

We pray for her, and all who mourn.

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

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.

A message from Fr Jonathan. Thank you so much for all the gifts, cards, presents and prayers. It was extremely kind and the goodbye-party was wonderful. I carry so many good memories of my time serving at Our Lady's shrine. I promise to continue to pray for you all. Every blessing from St Edmund's church in Whitton.

Pray for Aaron and Carlene, who are to be married here in the Shrine Church at 1.30pm on Friday.

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

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 or Transfer.

FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES. Please book a time to see the priests in Preparation for the beginning of the First Holy Communion Programme. Fr Stephen has a rota available after the masses this weekend to reserve an appointment.

CONFIRMATION FAMILIES Please prepare for dates to be released next weekend.

Friday of this week, (the 6th) is the annual CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. We are asked to make the sacrifice of some food/drink/activity, and to make a donation in lieu to CAFOD at the Second Collection next weekend.

Feast of Our Lady of Willesden

This Tuesday, 3rd October, Mass at 10am, and Solemn Mass at 7.30pm followed by Refreshments in the Marian Hall

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.

Posters available from the back of church

Refreshments after the 9am Mass EVERY SUNDAY

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

Come, and join us!