

THIS WEEK:

**Mon — Sat: 10am Mass
Exposition and Confessions to
11am.**

**Monday (Day Chapel) and
Friday: Evening Mass at 6.30pm.**

Readings: Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews
10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES

OCTOBER: £12,828.64

(of which contactless: £1,704.10

SO and online: £4,061.33)

Week average: £3,207

CAFOD: £725

Thank you for your generosity.

Social Apostolate: Every Monday we invite you to breakfast at 11 am and therapeutic support. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 1 pm we invite you for a hot meal, sandwiches and hot drinks. New volunteers are welcome.

RIP: Please pray for **Peter Henry Amponsah**, an active member of our Ghanaian Catholic Association, who died 21st October. The funeral will be in February.

SOUP RUN: We give thanks for the 36th Anniversary of the Saturday evening monthly Soup Run. Many thanks to all the helpers. Volunteers needed.

NORMAL CHURCH TIMES

Saturday Evening 6.30^{pm} (Vigil);

Sunday Mass: 8, 9:30, 11

Polish (po polsku): 12.30^{pm}, 6:30^{pm}

Mass in Spanish: 4.30^{pm}

Monday—Saturday: 10am Mass

**Evening Mass Monday and Friday at
6.30pm**

**Padre Pio/Divine Mercy Mass: 2nd
and 4th Tuesday 6.30pm**

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

after 10am Mass each weekday, after
the 6.30pm Mass on Friday, 6pm
Saturdays, or *by appointment*.

**Rosary/Divine Mercy: 11am each
weekday**

PARISH STAFF & TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr. Andrew Cameron-Mowat SJ.

Assistant Priests: Fr. John McCabe SJ,
Fr. Piotr Kropisz SJ

Resident Jesuits: Fr. Harry Elias SJ, Fr.
Pierce Gibson SJ (Studies), Fr. John Moffatt
SJ (LJC), Fr. Jean Nyembo SJ (Congo), Fr.
Michael Smith SJ (JRS).

Music: Ann Bennett

Sunday Sacristan: Kevin De Souza

Parish Secretary: Judy Bronson.

Tel: 020 8800 2262 . Tu-Th 9am — 1pm

Catechetics: Aga Wiecek 020 8800 2202

*If you have any concerns about safety of a
child or vulnerable adult in the parish, please
contact our Safeguarding Representatives:
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Bernadeta Dymek
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World Day of the Poor

Pope Francis has chosen a particularly meaningful theme for the Eighth World Day of the Poor in this year dedicated to prayer, now approaching the beginning of the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025: “The prayer of the poor rises up to God” (cf. Sir 21:5).

The World Day of the Poor becomes more and more rooted in the hearts of Christians around the world each year with numerous initiatives, fruit of the creative charity that animates and inspires the commitment of faith. This is a powerful time in which to turn our gaze more and more towards the poor, to listen to their voice and to be near them.

On this journey toward the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025, may our attention to those most in need make us all Pilgrims of Hope in a world that needs to be illuminated by the presence of the Light of the Risen One and the torch of charity that He has lit in our hearts.

As the whole Church prepares for this Jubilee with the Year of Prayer, we are invited to pray for the poor and to pray with them, humbly and confidently. This prayer must then find the confirmation of its authenticity through concrete acts of charity. Pope Francis reiterates that, in fact, prayer and works are interrelated: “if prayer does not translate into concrete action, it is in vain; ... However, charity without prayer risks becoming philanthropy that soon exhausts itself”.

This is the legacy left to us by so many saints in history, such as St. Teresa of Calcutta and St. Benedict Joseph Labre.

During this day of prayer for the poor we are invited to re-commit ourselves to being aware of the needs of the poor and the homeless in our neighbourhoods, and, should we feel the call of the Lord, to seek out ways to be of service to people in need.

Responsorial Psalm: Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

Sick and Retired (diocesan) Clergy

Today's retiring collection is for the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund of our Diocese. Most diocesan priests offer their resignation at 75, but many continue to serve in schools, hospitals, hospices and parishes. Last year, the Diocese of Westminster provided care to **72** retired priests, at a cost of **£976,000**. Caring for priests in their senior years, or at a time of illness, is a fundamental part of the mission of our diocese. By supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you can help cover essential costs and give them peace of mind that in the event of an emergency, their needs will be met.

Please give generously and help ensure these sick and older diocesan priests are financially supported, having given a lifetime of dedicated service. They have baptised, welcomed many into the church, and offered comfort and prayer at times of sorrow. Now everyone in the diocese is asked to ensure they have peace of mind during their senior years, when they may be facing failing health and declining mobility.

Please give generously using the envelopes in the church. You can make a one-off donation or set up a regular donation and become a **Patron** by completing section 4 on the envelope form. You can also donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online.

Please note that the Jesuit priests and brothers who have served this and other parishes and apostolates are cared for via a separate fund that was set up many years ago for the specific purpose of looking after our sick and retired members.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL in PARLIAMENT: Please take a postcard and complete and send it (with a stamp) to your local MP, to show the opposition of Catholics to this proposed legislation.



PARISH CHRISTMAS CARD on sale in the repository. Just **£1** each including envelope. 12 for **£10**. Your donation helps the parish finances, especially the Social Apostolate.

Nigerian Association: the last Sunday of every month.

Sunday ministries: Servers and choir: We are inviting children who have already received their First Holy Communion to volunteer to be altar servers at the 9.30am or 11am Mass.

9.30 and 11am Choirs: Please contact Ann (our director of Music) - leave her a text message at 07793 751261 if you would like to sing with the junior choir at the 9.30am Mass or the adult choir at 11am.

Pope's Prayer Intention (November) For anyone who has lost a child
We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

Prayer for peace in the Middle East:

God of mercy and compassion, of grace and reconciliation, pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East: Jews, Muslims and Christians, Palestinians and Israelis. Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation, that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces, and peace and justice could be experienced by all.

- *Reverend Said*