



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST. WULSTAN

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20 OCTOBER 2024 – TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Please gather in prayerful silence. Be encouraged "to speak to God before Mass and to speak to your neighbour after Mass".

Saturday 19 5.30pm	<i>Vigil: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Mass
Sunday 20 10.00am	<i>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Mass
Monday 21 9.30am	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> ~~~ No Mass ~~~
Tuesday 22	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> ~~~ No Mass ~~~
Wednesday 23 6.00pm	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> ~~~ No Eucharistic Adoration ~~~
7.00pm	~~~ No Mass ~~~
Thursday 24 9.30am	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> ~~~ No Mass ~~~
Friday 25 9.30am	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> ~~~ No Mass ~~~
Saturday 26 5.30pm	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Private Mass <i>Vigil: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> The Olde House Retreat (35 Years)
Sunday 27 10.00am	<i>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Mass
11.30am	Baptism: Orlath Catherine Yeates

Eucharistic Adoration: None this week
Confession: Saturday 4.45pm – 5.25pm
Private Rosary / Quiet Prayer: Sunday - 9.30am – 10.00am
Refreshments: Sundays 11.00am to 11.45am - parish hall.
Children's Liturgy: At 10.00am Mass on Sundays during term time.

Pope's Prayer Intention for October – For a shared mission: We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

Christ, the Suffering Servant of God: Today we celebrate the Christ who gives meaning to all human suffering. By taking on himself the role of a servant and redeeming us by his sufferings, he has turned all our human values upside down. It is the weak who have become the strong.

Sick: Please pray for Janet Pittam, Nora Brown, Bernie Grant, John Ison, Chris Ison and all those who are unwell currently and those who need our prayers.

RIP: Please pray for the recently deceased, all the faithful departed and those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.

Sanctuary Lamp: The sanctuary lamp is burning this week for the intentions of Pat & Stephen Gaynor. Let us pray for them and their family. Dates to book Sanctuary Lamp are available from 6th December at £4.00 per week.

World Mission Sunday 'Bring & Buy Cake Sale': Please support World Missions today. We have a 'Bring & Buy Cake Sale'. So please buy a cake. All monies raised will go to the World Missions. Your Support will be greatly appreciated

Book of Remembrance: There is a sheet of paper at back of the church for you to add names of this year's deceased for the Book of Remembrance. Please respond as soon as possible.

Offertory Collections and information on Mass attendance will be published on the first/second week in November.

ALFA COURSE in our parish: Having successfully completed an Alfa Course in Whitnash early this year, our parishioners who had been involved in it, would like to do it again, this time in our parish. Hope many will be interested and will come along to take part in this course. More details to follow.

Welcome: We welcome Fr. Teddy O'Brien msc and Fr. Moses Pitya AJ to our parish who will be presiding over our Masses on Saturday and Sunday respectively.

World Mission Sunday: 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet!' cf. Matthew 22:9

Today is World Mission Sunday. There will be a second collection for the Missio. The Holy Father invites all Catholics to support Missio, his charity for world mission, through a special collection. This day of prayer, solidarity, and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God's love which has the power to transform lives and heal our world. To donate, use the **Missio envelopes**, call **020 7821 9755** (office hours) or visit **missio.org.uk** to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit, and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

St Mary's Catholic Primary & Nursery School - Open Tours

We are running open tours throughout the autumn for parents looking for Reception 2025 places – and parents of rising 3s looking for a Nursery place.

- Thursday 17th October – 9.30 and 1.30
- Wednesday 20th November – 9.30 and 1.30
- Tuesday 3 December – 9.30 and 1.30

Tours can be booked by contacting the school office: admin3505@welearn365.com or 01926 812512

'Bring & Share' lunch: We intend to have a 'Bring & Share' lunch on Sunday 3rd November in honour of 'All Saints' / 'All Hallows' (Nov. 1). Parents with children are very welcome! Children are encouraged to come dressed as a saint of their choice, and they could share some information about the saints they have chosen, if they so wish / encouraged.

Volunteers are welcome to organize this event! Anyone interested and willing to help, please speak to Fr. Arul. A list will be at the back of the Church for you to indicate what you can bring.

Volunteers for Children's Liturgy: At the moment, we have just two members of the Children's Liturgy on the rota. We need more volunteers to help initiating the children in the essentials of Catholic life. Otherwise, there is danger of 'Children's Liturgy' in our parish sadly coming to an end. This must be considered frankly from health and safety & safeguarding point of view too.

Children are indeed welcome in the church! Parents with children are welcome to attend Mass regularly! Just for safety and practical considerations, they are asked to be seated in the main body of the church.

Parents and grandparents are requested to encourage their children / grandchildren to take part in the Sunday Mass regularly.

Arranging a Baptism: Congratulations on the birth of your baby! First, parents must begin the process by seeing Fr Arul in person at a Sunday Mass. He can then check a few simple facts and give out a baptism application form. We do not deal with initial arrangements by phone, email or through other members of the family, but face to face. Parents need to attend two preparation sessions before the baptism can take place. **Coming to Mass regularly will be an additional help you could do!**

The Mission of My Life

God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for naught. I shall do good; I shall do His work. I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it if I do but keep His commandments. Therefore, I will trust Him, whatever I am, I can never be thrown away. If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him, in perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him. If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him. He does nothing in vain. He knows what He is about. He may take away my friends. He may throw me among strangers. He may make me feel desolate, make my spirits sink, hide my future from me. Still, He knows what He is about. – St. John Henry Newman (1801-1890)